Many of us can attest, this year is starting out with a bang! Just from the standpoint of ASCE, we have had a lot of activity in January with the Region 8 Winter Assembly and Region 8 & 9 MRLC (Multi-Regional Leadership Conference), the development of the Arizona Report Card update pushing forward, the legislative drive-in to follow, and planning for E-Week in February.

While we were in the great city of San Francisco for the conference, it wasn’t all just fun and games. At the Assembly we were reminded of the ASCE Core Purpose: Help you matter more and enable you to make a bigger difference.

It was a great reflection on why we spend our time to be involved with ASCE. We
learned some tips on how to communicate more effectively, what resources are available to help engage members, ASCE Best Practices, and we reviewed the ASCE finances to make sure our funds are being used wisely and with the intent to support our core purpose.

At the MRLC we got to hear from our 2021 candidates for the Society President-Elect (ASCE Elections; voting to open May 1, 2020). We talked about the future of engineering: how to attract the best and brightest, and how we fit into the Future World Vision. We shared more ASCE Best Practices, and we learned the importance of Emotional Intelligence for using self-awareness to not only identify and manage our own feelings, but also in taking the time to recognize and acknowledge other people’s feelings we are able to better make connections with people that are needed for good communication.

ASCE is working in conjunction with several other local engineering organizations to promote Engineering through E-Week activities February 16-22. Activities include: Educational Outreach, eDay at the Science Center, and a Reception for ALL engineers. Details on these activities can be found on the flyer below and the website: E-Week. The Reception will be at Fate Brewing Company in Tempe on Feb 20, 2020 at 5-7:30 PM. Heavy Appetizers and Beverages will be provided at no cost thanks to our sponsors. If you plan to attend, please RSVP. We hope to see you there!

Finally, one of our local members, Nicolai Oliden, will be featured this month on the ASCE Plot Points podcast discussing personal finance (2 Parts). Please check out the Podcast for this and many other interesting topics.

In the spirt of the ASCE Core Purpose, if you have any suggestions on how we can better serve you, please contact me: connollybreanna@stanleygroup.com.
Be a Pioneer of Progress

Help give every child an engineering experience this Engineers’ Week. See http://www.eweek-phx.org/ or contact Ted Smithwick at SmithwickTed@StanleyGroup.com to get involved today.

DiscoverE.org/EngineersWeek
#Eweek2020
Phoenix Branch News and Updates
Skye Gentile, PE, Vice President, Phoenix Branch

Recap of January Luncheon

At the January 8 luncheon, Joe Jannuzzi, PE, Project Manager with Case Foundation Company and Thayne Harris, Arizona Area Manager with Hayward Baker provided an interesting presentation on installation of drilled shafts for the recently opened ADOT Loop 202 South Mountain Freeway project,
as well as different techniques used and challenges on other foundation projects in the Phoenix metro area. As of January 1, 2020, Case Foundation Company and Hayward Baker are part of Keller. Thirty-nine were in attendance at the luncheon.

February Luncheon: City of Mesa Signal Butte Water Treatment Plant – ENR Environmental Over $75M Southwest 2019 Project of the Year

Date: February 12, 2020
Location: Gateway Community College, Building MA, Room MA1100
108 N. 40th Street, Phoenix, AZ 85034
Time: 11:30 AM to 1 PM
Speakers: Lance Webb, PE, Deputy Engineer, City of Mesa Engineering; Jesse Heywood, PE, Supervising Engineer, City of Mesa Water Resources; Reid Guzy, PE, Engineering Manager, Black & Veatch.

The presentation will include background and need for the new 24 million gallon per day surface water treatment plant, construction and startup in a compressed schedule, and lessons learned & best practices for construction. The $126 million project was delivered using CMAR, with construction completed in 2018. The project was selected as ENR Southwest’s 2019 Best Project in the Water/Environment category.

New Life Members will be recognized and ASU student scholarships presented.
For more information contact Larry Hanson at 480.231.4023.

Advance registration required.

March Luncheon: Topic to be Determined

Date: March 11, 2020  
Location: Gateway Community College, Building MA, Room MA1100  
108 N. 40th Street, Phoenix, AZ 85034  
Time: 11:30 AM to 1 PM  
Speakers: TBD

For more information contact Larry Hanson at 480.231.4023.  
Advance registration required.

ASCE High School Club

The Phoenix Branch is working with the Chandler Hamilton High School Civil Engineering Club. Branch Outreach Chair, Andrew Chill, PE, is leading this outreach effort. If you are interested in finding out more about this effort and/or would like to work with Andrew, please contact him.

Southern Arizona Branch - What's Happening?

Matt Flores, PE, M.ASCE, Vice President, Southern Arizona Branch

E-Week is Coming!

We are only 6 weeks away from E-Week, it will be here in no time!

Banquet Special Guest Speaker

Kristina Swallow, P.E.
Nevada DOT Director  
2018 ASCE Society President  
2019 U of A Distinguished Alumni

Events During E-Week include; Cornhole Tournament, Engineering Outreach, Awards Banquet, Tech Tour, Girl Day, and Mall Day. See the calendar in the link below for more details on each event!

Please register for the E-Week Banquet and don't hold back on the Sponsorships. Its going to

Kristina Swallow, P.E.
E-Week Tech Tour & Optional Lunch

February 19th, 2020

Society of American Military Engineers (SAME) - Southern Arizona Post is hosting a free tour of Davis-Monthan's famous aircraft boneyard as part of Tucson's 2020 Engineers Week.

We will meet at Ramada 1 at the Todd M. Harris Sports Complex located at the northwest corner of Golf Links and Craycroft Roads. We will depart promptly at 9:00 am on a bus to the boneyard for the tour and will arrive back at the sports complex at 11:00 am.

Option - After the tour, please join us for lunch and networking at Ramada 1. Cost for lunch is $20.00

Sign up quick! Only 42 spots are available. The deadline to register for the tour and lunch is February 12, 2020. To register, please complete the registration form below.

All registrants must call Randy Harris or Tami Griffin at 520-748-2262 and provide full name, date of birth, social security number, and driver's license information to obtain base access.

MATHCOUNTS Competition

When: Friday, February 28, 2020
Where: Tucson JCC
3800 E River Rd, Tucson, AZ 85718

More details to come...

If you are interested in being part of the student competition as a volunteer please contact Deirdre Brosnihan.

Calling all Volunteers

Southern Arizona Research, Science and Engineering Foundation (SARSEF) is holding its annual science fair on March 12, 2020 at the Tucson Convention Center (TCC) from 7 AM to 1 PM.
Each year ASCE members volunteer as judges for the ASCE Southern Arizona Branch Excellence in Engineering Award. Our volunteer judges select 1 deserving project from each of the 6th, 7th and 8th grade projects. The students win a certificate, $150 cash prize and an invitation for the student and a parent/guardian to attend our May luncheon.

It's a fun and rewarding morning looking at students projects and then talking with them about their projects in preparation for the high school level where interviews are part of the assessment.

Breakfast, lunch and parking are provided.

If you are interested in being part of the judging team please contact Deirdre Brosnihan by February 14th.

Save the Date! - MATHCOUNTS Benefit Golf Tournament

**Tournament Information**

**Time and Place:**
Dell Urich Golf Course
600 S Alvernon Way, Tucson, AZ 85711
Get Driving Directions
11:00 am Registration
11:45 am “Mob” Putting Challenge
12:00 pm Shotgun Start
4:30 pm Post-Game Reception

**Entry Fees Includes:**
- Lunch, Green Fees, Golf Cart, Range Balls
- “Mob” Putting Challenge - $500 Cash Pot
- Hole-In-One to win a 2020 GMC Terrain

**Reception Includes:**
- Cocktails
- Hors d'oeuvres
- Raffle Prizes (Arizona Basketball and More!)

Volunteer
Register Here

Phoenix Branch YMF News
Andrew Moreno, PE, M.ASCE, President, Phoenix Branch YMF

New Chair Position - PE Review Course Proctor
YMF is looking for candidates interested in proctoring the yearly Spring and Fall YMF PE Review Course classes. The Chair will work with the YMF Board to schedule and manage the classes for course registrants.

Expected commitment is approximately 18 afternoons a year, 9 each in the Spring and Fall. In addition to holding a YMF Chair position, the PE Proctor position will be PAID!

If you would like to submit your name for consideration, or have any questions about the position requirements, please contact Andrew Moreno.

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**ASCE Phx YMF General Meeting**

**February 25, 2020**

William Peterson will be speaking on his experience working as a Resident Engineer on the Sky Harbor Sky Train Phase 2 project. This $740 million project will extend the existing Sky Train facility and provide connectivity to Terminals 3-4 and the Rental Car Facility. Completion of the project is scheduled for 2022.

When: Tuesday February 25, 2020

Time: 5:30pm - 7:00pm

Where: Half Moon Sports Grill
2121 E Highland Ave
Phoenix, Arizona 85016

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**National E-Week Volunteers Needed**

E-Week 2020 is right around the corner!

This week is a great opportunity to give back to the community by working with young students and inspire them to be the next generation of engineers! We are looking for volunteers to go to elementary schools and work with students for a couple hours with STEM related activities. The E-week committee will provide all supplies needed and provide ideas for the type of activities to do with students.

Additional information on registration can be found [here](#). For any questions please contact Ted Smithwick.

To wrap up E-Week, ASCE and YMF will be hosting a celebratory happy hour for all E-Week
participants on Thursday February 20th at McFate Brewing in Tempe. Additional details on the event and to RSVP click [here](https://example.com).

**YMF/E-Week Hosted Happy Hour - Thursday February 20th**

The February YMF Social has been rescheduled to combine with the E-Week Happy Hour on February 20th. Whether you volunteered for E-Week, or just want to network with engineers of all experience levels, come out and enjoy drinks and appetizers on YMF. Please RSVP [here](https://example.com)!

**ASCE Plot Points Podcast**

In case you did not know, ASCE has a podcast specifically for young engineers. It is called ASCE Plot Points and it covers some really great career and personal information. Recently, our very own Nicolai Oliden, President of our Phoenix Branch YMF in 2017, was featured on the show!

Nicolai opens up about his personal financial journey and the mistakes he made early on. Nicolai started his own company EngineeringYOU to help young professionals learn valuable self leadership skills, not necessarily taught in college. Nicolai hopes this talk about finances will leave you thinking how you can do better with your money and start designing your own financial plan.

You can check out Part 2 the critically acclaimed podcast [here](https://example.com).

**2020 ASCE Arizona Report Card - Drive In**

The new ASCE report card for Arizona is due to come out in mid-April. In anticipation, the AZ section government relations committee would like to understand how many people would be interested in taking a day to drive down to the capital and meeting with local legislators to explain the findings to them. The report card is our greatest tool as engineers to help explain to non-engineers the importance of taxes which support our local infrastructure.

If you are interested, please fill out the form at [here](https://example.com)!

If you have any questions, please reach out to Allison Sadow or Caitlyn Hall.

**Southern Arizona Branch YMF December Announcements**

Celebrate Engineers Week With Us!
YMF is hosting the **Cornhole Tournament**. Please [click here](#) to register!

### E-Week 2020 Calendar of Events

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| Wednesday, Feb. 19th| Davis-Monthan AFB Boneyard Tour                                                  | 9:00 am - 11:00 am | Meeting point: Ramada 1 at the Todd M. Harris Sports Complex | Register Here  
Registered by February 12th. Limited spots available! |
| Thursday, Feb. 20th | Girl Day                                                                          | 8:30 am - 1:30 pm | Texas Instruments                 | RSVP to Deidre at [Deidre.Brospin@psimas.gov](mailto:Deidre.Brospin@psimas.gov) |
| Saturday, Feb. 22nd | Discover Engineering at the Mall                                                 | 10:30am - 2:30pm | Park Place Mall 5870 E Broadway Blvd | RSVP to Chelsi [chelsi.remme@psemas.com](mailto:chelsi.remme@psemas.com) or call (520) 252-2300 |

Multiple organizations come together to organize the events shown above, giving you the opportunity to celebrate with us by attending and/or volunteering. During the Award Banquet ([Click here for Registration and Sponsorship](#)) the following award will be given:

**2020 Young Engineer of the Year**  
**2020 Educator of the Year**  
**2020 Engineer of the Year**

For more information, please contact **Chelsi Remme**!

**YMF PE Review Sessions**
TIME TO STUDY!

YMFS
PE REVIEW SESSIONS
APRIL & OCTOBER EXAMS!

March 10th - April 2nd
Tuesday's & Thursday's
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Deadline to Register for April Exam is February 20th
Deadline to Register for PE Review Course is March 2nd

$250.00 per all 8 sessions
$50.00 per session

Register Here
Volunteers Needed - ASCE MESA PVC Pipe Bridge Competition

Come out and inspire the civil engineers of tomorrow!
Volunteers will receive a T-shirt!
Continental breakfast and Lunch will be provided

**Saturday February 8th, 2020 @ GCU**
**Saturday February 15th, 2020 @ U of A**
**Saturday May 2nd, 2020 @ GCU**

7:30 AM - 12:00 PM

For more information please contact Jose Aguilar!

23rd Annual ASCE SAB YMF Golf Tournament