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Eastern Chapter News

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President's Message

By: Brian Scovill, P.E.

Normally the outgoing president would have thanked each committee chair in the May newsletter. At that time it felt like KSPE still had so much going on that I was not ready to share my departing words.

Over the course of the year I have tried to recognize our committee chair volunteers who managed and coordinated various events. I know there are others within Eastern Chapter that worked hard and were not likely recognized.

If you see one of the following people please help me thank them for all they do. Thank you Kiel Johnson for organizing the chapter meetings, Ryan DaMetz for working as Secretary, Cliff Speegle for Treasure, Rod Holcomb for his work as Fundraising

Chair, Nathan Hamm for Membership Chair, Tawn Nugent for Engineering Prep, Kristen Leathers for handling our Advertising, Paul Moore for Photography, Todd Black for State Director, and Cheri Schoenhals for all of her work as the Eastern Chapter Executive Secretary. I really appreciate all of you and thank your contribution to KSPE.

It has been a fun and challenging year. I wish Kiel the best of luck as our next President. Who knows, maybe the OSU Football program will give him more to brag about, GO POKES!

By: Kiel Johnson, P.E.

Summer is upon us and another year of KSPE activities is behind us. Eastern Chapter trades one OSU president at the tiller for another, Ryan DaMetz moves to Vice President, Cliff Speegle is now the Secretary and Cindy McCann joins us as the new Treasurer. I would like to take a brief moment and thank Brian Scovill for his leadership during his presidency and for all the officers and committee heads for their time and effort this past year. If you are interested in becoming more involved with the chapter please contact me and I'm sure we can use your help with a committee or other various activities. We are always looking for folks to help out!

I would like to give a special shout out to Cindy McCann who has worked diligently as our E-week Chair for several years and powered through a difficult past year. I'm optimistic that E-week will be more streamlined in the future with the groundwork that Brian Scovill has laid for future luncheons.

Eastern Chapter celebrated its award winners this past May. Tawn Nugent won

Eastern Chapter's nomination for Engineer of The Year. Mark Williams won the Outstanding Citizen Award. The Project of the Year Award goes to Lochner for the I-35 Southwest Trafficway Viaduct Rehabilitation Project. Eastern Chapter had a truly special winner with the Outstanding Teacher award. Nancy Smith is a teacher at Bentwood Elementary and is finding new and creative ways to expose her students to engineering. Nancy was also honored at the State level for teacher of the year.

Don't forget the KSPE Annual Conference is June 18-20 at the Hilton Garden Inn and Colbert Hills Golf Club in Manhattan, Kansas. The conference committee has scheduled some great speakers on a wide variety of topics and I encourage everyone to attend.

I encourage everyone to have a great summer, enjoy the sun and have fun dodging the traffic from the Gateway Project which kicks off construction in June. I look forward to seeing all of you at the end of the summer and hopefully some new faces also!

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KSPE EC Website

The website will be updated on the 1st of each month or as needed should there be time sensitive information.

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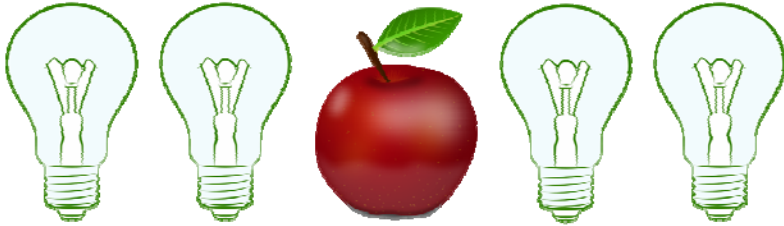
www.kansasengineer.org/Chapters/Eastern.aspx

If you have photos taken at KSPE events, please submit them to Cheri Schoenhals, cschoenhals@gbteam.com, for inclusion in the newsletter.

Event Information

Upcoming Meeting Announcement

PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING



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June 18-20, 2014
Hilton Garden Inn
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<http://www.kansasengineer.org/NewsEvents/AnnualConference.aspx>

Eastern Chapter 2014 Award Winners

The Eastern Chapter of KSPE recognized a few of our outstanding members, a teacher, and a firm during the May Chapter Awards breakfast meeting. These award winners have each made a special contribution to our society, profession, community or combination of all! Each of these recipients has gone above and beyond the normal call of duty to advance the engineering profession and thereby strengthen the Kansas Society of Professional Engineers.



2014 Award Winners

Engineer of the Year - Tawn Nugent, GBA



Tawn was originally recognized at the E-week luncheon in March but was also recognized at the chapter meeting in May.

Tawn has been a member of KSPE since 2003. She currently serves as the engineering prep chair. She is also a project manager for several highway projects at GBA.

Citizen of the Year - Mark Williams, Garver



Mark leads Garver's Kansas City regional office.

He has been involved with KSPE for several years and not only served as the chapter president, but currently serves as the state president. He is involved in the community with his church as a Sunday school teacher, his daughter's softball coach and serves on committees for the aviation community.

Outstanding Engineering Achievement - Lochner & MoDOT, Southwest Trafficway Viaduct Rehab Project



Lochner, along with MoDOT, designed the concrete redecking and structural repairs for the 2900 foot 40-span structure that carries nine lanes of traffic. The project was completed in December 2013.

Mark Johnston and Keith Wetter with Lochner gave a presentation describing the project and accepted the award on behalf of Lochner & MoDOT.

Outstanding Teacher - Nancy Smith, Bentwood Elementary



Nancy Smith received the award for being an outstanding first grade teacher at the Bentwood Elementary School.

Mrs. Smith organized several lessons for her students around engineering. She even tied the lessons in with E-Week. One of the projects included The Three Little Pigs where students built houses similar to the nursery rhyme and used various methods to mimic the Big Bad Wolf to test the strength of the houses. The lesson received media recognition.

Treasurer's Report

Eastern Chapter
Kansas Society of Professional Engineers (KSPE)
Treasurer's Report for March 2014

March 26, 2014

Cash on Hand

Beginning Balance as of May 1, 2014	\$395.00	
Additions	\$10.00	
Reductions	\$0.00	
Ending Balance as of May 29, 2014		\$405.00

Checking Account

Beginning Balance as of May 1, 2014	\$3,991.33	
<i>Deposits</i>		
Legislative Lunch Income	\$180.00	
May Meeting Income	\$600.00	
NSPE Dues	\$1,104.00	
Total Deposits	\$1,884.00	
<i>Payments</i>		
YE April Meeting Expenses	\$311.00	
Award Plaques	\$153.31	
Legislative Lunch Catering	\$493.00	
May Meeting Expenses	\$689.55	
May Executive Salary	\$150.00	
Total Payments	\$1,796.86	
<i>Transfers to/from Money Market</i>		
Deposits	\$0.00	
Withdrawals	\$0.00	
Ending Balance as of May 29, 2014		\$4,078.47

Money Market Account

Beginning Balance as of May 1, 2014	\$5,048.75	
Deposits	\$0.00	
Withdrawals	\$0.00	
Dividend Reinvest	\$0.08	
Ending Balance as of May 29, 2014		\$5,048.83

Engineers Foundation of Kansas

Beginning Balance as of May 1, 2014	\$550.00	
Deposits	\$0.00	
Withdrawals	\$0.00	
Ending Balance as of May 29, 2014		\$550.00

PEPP Dispersal CD

Beginning Balance as of May 1, 2014	\$14,185.77	
Deposits	\$0.00	
Withdrawals	\$0.00	
Ending Balance as of May 29, 2014		\$14,185.77

Respectfully Submitted,



Cliff Speegle, P.E.
Treasurer

Total **\$24,268.07**

May Meeting Minutes

Monthly Board Meeting

Date: 5/9/2014

Time: 8:30 a.m. Location: Deer Creek Golf Club Clubhouse

Attendees: Brian Scovill, Kiel Johnson, Ryan DaMetz, Cliff Speegle, Tony Rome, Charlie Love, Tawn Nugent, Keith Schmidtberger, Cindy McCann, Mark Johnston, Todd Black

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Scovill at 8:25 a.m.

Reports:

The minutes from the April meeting were approved via email prior to the Board meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's Report update will be published in newsletter. Only outstanding business for the year are the income and expenses from the Statehouse visit and the income and expenses from the May meeting. The Final Treasurer's Report will be submitted at the August meeting.

Committee Reports

Legislative

Beginning to plan for next year's October Legislative breakfast meeting.

MathCounts

No report.

Model Bridge Building

No report.

Fundraising

No report.

Membership Hamm

Board members called April PE exam takers to invite them to attend a KSPE event and think about becoming a member. There was interest from some potential members. We will follow up with them as we kick off next year.

Awards

No report.

Young Engineers

Beginning to plan for next Fall's event. Thinking about a Royals game early in the Fall like what was done in 2013.

Engineering Prep

We are waiting to hear back from JCCC about their Engineering Club and if they would like to have involvement with our Chapter.

Engineer's week

No report.

Advertising

No report.

May Meeting Minutes

State Director

The State is working on its contract with Ron Gaches. They are also considering a transition plan for when Ron decides to step down.

Community Service

The O.P. Stream Clean was a success on April 12th. Involvement went up from initial numbers. The clean was so productive that they ran out of trash bags, and Wal-Mart was kind enough to donate more bags so the clean could continue.

Chapter Meetings

None. The Annual Conference is June 18 – June 20 in Manhattan.

Old Business –

The ballots are out and are due to Cheri by May 19, 2014.

New Business –

We received a letter from the IRS stating we did not file a Form 990/990-EZ or 990-N for 2012. We will be talking with Ron's office for guidance as to what we need to do.

Meeting Adjourned at: 8:55 a.m.

Professional Directory

As you know KSPE includes business advertisements in our monthly newsletter but we also include job postings. The job posting is fee is nominal. If interested you may contact Cheri Schoenhals at (913) 577-8329 or Kristen Leathers at (913) 239-1122.



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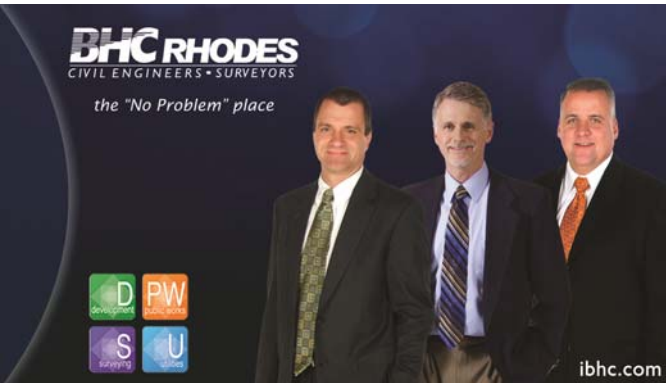
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