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Executive Director's Message

Pat Christians

I HOPE TO SEE MANY OF YOU AT THE ASPE ANNUAL MEETING IN MONTGOMERY, JUNE 9-10!

You can fax your registration form to the ASPE office: 205-934-8471.

The Board will discuss the many changes that are in the works with the new NSPE governance model, which necessitates changes to ASPE's constitution and bylaws, and may impact ASPE's Future Directions. We also have an opportunity to earn 4.5 pdh's: ASPE State Delegate Lamar Hawkins JD PE will make a presentation on Friday evening about the inner workings of NSPE and ASPE; Executive Director Regina Dinger (State Board of Licensure for PE and PLS) will bring us a presentation on Saturday afternoon about what's new at the Board, in licensing, and in the law.

Lots to learn and talk about! *Don't* miss out. (For more details, see [Upcoming Meeting Info](#))

Upcoming Meeting Information

- **The ASPE Annual Summer Meeting date is nearing!!**
It will be held June 9-10, 2006 at the Embassy Suites hotel in Montgomery. All ASPE members and guests are invited to attend. The Embassy Suites hosts a Manager's Reception (free snacks and beverages) from 5:30 to 7:30pm. From 7:00 to 8:30pm, the *Leadership Seminar* will be offered (**1.5 pdh**) at the Paul B Krebs & Associates office, just 2 blocks away: 312 Montgomery Street, Suite 810. The business meeting begins on Saturday morning, followed by the Awards and Installation Luncheon at noon. The meeting resumes at 2:00pm and ends at 5:00. We are honored to have **Ms Regina Dinger**, Executive Director for the State Board of Licensing for PE and PLS, speak to our group during the afternoon period, which will yield **3 pdh's** for the attendees. The members of the State Licensing Board are invited to attend. Overnight accommodation can be reserved by calling The Embassy Suites Hotel at 1-334-269-5055; reference "ALS" to receive the special room rate of \$119/night (double) + tax. Room block ends on **May 26, 2006**. This nightly rate also allows you to enjoy the nightly Manager's Reception, and a wonderful hot buffet breakfast! ASPE Member registration is \$70, which includes certificates for attending 4.5 hours of professional development, all coffee breaks, and lunch on Saturday. Registration forms are now posted on the ASPE website: <http://www.aspe-al.com> (click on "calendar", then "annual meeting").
- **Upcoming ASPE Board of Directors scheduled meetings:**
June 9-10 (Annual Meeting in Montgomery)

ASPE Sustaining Partners

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If your company would like to partner with us, please contact our Executive Director at 205-934-8470.

MATHCOUNTS Update

Our state MathCounts team placed 34th (out of 54 teams) in the National MathCounts Competition, held in Arlington VA on May 12, 2006.

Team members Sanket Shah, Eugene Wu, Steven Hwang and Lucy Xie were coached by James Thorne. We hope the Team learned a lot, and had a great time! Thank you for being excellent representatives of our state!

Contributed by Brian A Shelton PE <mailto:bshelton@mwwssb.com>

Chapter Updates

Auburn

25 members

Birmingham

155 members

Huntsville-Decatur Chapter News

74 members

Mobile

105 members

Muscle Shoals

35 members

[John Bedford PE](#), Colbert County Engineer, hosted a tour of the Colbert County Water Treatment Plant in Barton, AL on 5-16-06. More than a dozen chapter members and guests participated in the informative tour, which helped us appreciate the effort required to provide safe drinking water for the Shoals area.

During the meeting, **the current slate of chapter officers was re-elected to reprise our roles for the coming administrative year.** Our next chapter meeting will be in September. Best wishes to all for a great summer.

Contributed by [Don Lokey PE](#) jdlokey@tva.gov

Northeast

21 members

Southeast

18 members

Tuscaloosa

31 members

Has Your Contact Information Changed?

If so, send your corrections to memserv@nspe.org

It's the quickest and easiest way to let us know what's new with you!

NSPE Updates

- **Attention: State and Chapter Leaders!**

- **Accessing State/Chapter Membership Information**

Questions concerning State and Chapter Officers gaining access to the NSPE database should be directed to Sara Clark at 703/684-2804 or at sclark@nspe.org. Once access is approved by the State Society Executive Director, access will be given and an e-mail with log-in information, a link to the database and detailed instructions will be sent.

- **From Art Schwartz:** The state of Ohio is proposing a requirement that professional engineers performing engineering services in the erosion and sediment control area must also be certified by the CPESC, Inc. (for more information, visit: <http://www.cpesc.org/>).

- **Notice: Online Education Sessions**

- > Trends in Construction Professionalism

April 19, 2006 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. EST

- > Construction Arbitration & Construction Mediation

May 9, 2006 1:30 - 3:00 p.m. EST

Register at: <http://peconstruction.org/events/webinars.htm>

- > The Ethics of Gifts: Drawing the Line

May 8, 1:30 - 3:00 p.m. EST

Register at: http://www.nspe.org/education/2006SpringRegForm3-10-2006_000.doc

- **Notice: NSPE National CFO Roundtable**

- > CFOs from engineering firms need continuing education too! Please share this with your member/owners:

- > The NSPE National CFO Roundtable is a unique event for CFOs in engineering firms. Join us to network with your peers and learn the latest about what other engineering firms are doing in today's dynamic work environment: <http://www.nspe.org/pepp/cfo.asp>

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Education Opportunities
from the NSPE July 2006
Annual Meeting

[NSPE PEC Seminars](#)

[Developing Trust and
Commitment in Project
Teams](#)

[Dispute Avoidance and
Resolution](#)

[Process Safety
Management](#)

recruitment, recruitment mailings fbattle@nspe.org 703/684-2861

> Linda Ross: state-specific membership brochures, membership promo materials lross@nspe.org 703/684-2867

> Send member updates/corrections to memserv@nspe.org

NSPE Featured Products:

Featured Product #1: NSPE 2006 Convention

Link: <http://nspe.org/convention/home.asp>

Description: Save the date! Join us at the Marriott Boston Copley Place Boston, Massachusetts.

- NSPE 2006 Annual Convention - July 6-8, 2006
- NSPE 2006 Annual Governance - July 9-11, 2006

If you need additional information, email the NSPE Registrar at annualmeeting@nspe.org.

Feature #1: 2004 Engineering Licensure Laws is on sale!

Link: http://nspe.org/product_detail.asp

Description: Get instant answers to all your licensure questions. The only reference book of its kind, Engineering Licensure Laws is the most comprehensive summary of licensure laws ever produced. You'll find the complete summaries of the licensing laws of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. territories. In addition, NSPE has added summaries of the Canadian provincial laws to this practical reference guide. Engineering Licensure Laws is an essential tool for both the engineering student and the practicing engineer.

Offer: 50% off the regular price!

Price: NSPE Member \$62.50 / Nonmember \$162.50

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