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President's Message

by: Cindy McCann, PE

Welcome fall! Although the calendar won't call it that yet, the air has been so mild, school has started, and everybody's favorite football teams have been practicing for weeks. I hope everyone had a chance to take some time off over the summer and enjoy the company of friends and relatives. My family got to take an epic road trip that got us to 22 National Parks and Monuments. If you're ever in Yellowstone and want to see the thermal features in a unique way I fully recommend kayaking Lake Yellowstone. We paddled over fish cones, caves, and rising bubbles.



Local wildlife keeps an eye on this construction project in Yellowstone National Park.

If your household is anything like mine it takes a few weeks to get back in the fall groove, but by Labor Day we usually have things figured out. Part of getting back into the regular swing of things is a return to all your favorite KSPE activities. We've started planning but there's still opportunities to get involved, so if you've always wanted to be part of the action please reach out to me or anyone else on the Board.

We'll kick off the year like usual with a joint meeting with the Western Chapter of MSPE to host the NSPE President. This year the President is our very own Tom Roberts of the Tri-Valley Chapter. Tom will update us with all the news from the national society and how it affects us. I hope you can join us for dinner on September 26.

In October we look forward to again hosting our regional elected officials at a breakfast. Details are still developing, but it's such an important event because it gives us a chance to speak directly with the people who represent us. I've always had a good

exchange, making a connection with at least one legislator every year.

Another October event is a recruitment/young engineer's happy hour being planned by Cody Porter. It should be a nice evening of networking for those members early in their careers. Mark for calendar for October 17.

Everyone has some advice to pass on to middle school students exploring their career choices, so contact Tawn Nugent to volunteer for a shift at KSPE's booth in the Olathe School Career EXPO on Tuesday, October 24. I guarantee you will be impressed by some of their questions.

As you can see we've been planning for a new year's chapter events but there's still more to come. Fall is when we start to put together all the activities for our busy season in January and February with events like Bridge Building, Mathcounts, and the E-week Luncheon. There's still room for you to help!

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Event Information

September Dinner Meeting
Joint Meeting with The Western Chapter of MSPE
54th Consecutive Year to Meet with the NSPE President
A Kansas City Tradition

The Importance of Licensure and the Professional Engineer NSPE President: Tom Roberts, PE, F.NSPE

Tuesday, September 26, 2017

Grand St. Café
4740 Grand Ave
Kansas City, MO 64112

4:30 p.m. Board Meeting
5:30 p.m. Registration/Social Hour
6:00 p.m. Dinner and Meeting

Dinner Menu (Choose one of the following 4 meals)

1. 8 oz Beef Tenderloin Whipped Potatoes, Green Beans, Demi Glace
2. Surf and Turf: Grilled Shrimp, Sirloin, Green Herb butter, Whipped Potatoes, Sautéed Asparagus
3. Grilled Chicken Breast, Whipped Potatoes, Green Beans, Green Herb Butter, Chicken Jus
4. Penne Pasta (Vegetarian) Roasted Garlic Lemon Cream Sauce, Roasted Tomatoes, Spinach

* All above includes roll and butter and house or Caesar Salad

Members and Guests: \$35

Student Chapter Members: \$25

Please register at www.mspe-wc.org - registration ends September 21

Presenter Bio:

Tom C. Roberts, P.E., F.NSPE, from Manhattan, Kansas, is the 2017-18 President of NSPE.

Mr. Roberts has more than 40 years' experience in planning, organizational development, and leadership training programs. He worked for Black & Veatch for 16 years (including 11 years in human resources). He formed Upward Consulting in 1989 and has served as a continuous quality improvement consultant for many manufacturing & service companies and educational institutions. He has presented information on systems thinking, professional development and our changing society to a wide variety of national audiences.

For 21 years at Kansas State University (KSU) he was responsible for engineering recruitment and leadership development and is currently Assistant Dean Emeritus of KSU's College of Engineering.

As a 40-year member of NSPE, Mr. Roberts has held, and continues to hold, numerous volunteer leadership positions to include membership on the Board of Directors, Executive Committee, and the Committee on Policy and Advocacy. He is a past

chair of NSPE's Professional Engineers in Higher Education and in 2010 was named a NSPE Fellow.

Mr. Roberts is a past president of KSPE and past chair of its Government Relations Committee. He has served nationally as first vice president of the American Society for Engineering Education and is both a Life and Fellow ASEE member. In his community, he recently served as vice president for Strategic Planning and Programs for the Boy Scouts of America, Coronado Area Council.

He holds B.S. and M.S. degrees in Nuclear Engineering from KSU and has been a licensed professional engineer since 1976.

Mr. Roberts continues to promote engineering licensure to practicing professionals, teachers, students and parents while mentoring high school students to make effective career choices. He is married to Karen who recently retired after 40 years of teaching and education administration. They have two sons, Greg & Chad.

Future Events

October

17 - Young Engineers Happy Hour
24 - Olathe 8th Grade Career EXPO
TBA - Legislative Breakfast

November

16 - KSPE President Visit

February

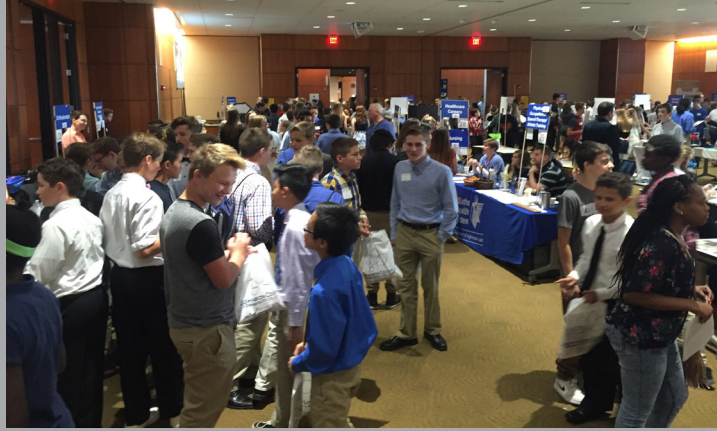
22 - KC Metro Engineers Week luncheon



Tom Roberts, P.E.

Volunteers Needed

16th Annual Olathe School District 8th Grade Career EXPO



The 16th Annual 8th Grade Olathe Public Schools Career EXPO will be held on Tuesday, October 24th at Johnson Community College. This event provides over 2,000 8th graders a chance to talk with professionals in wide variety of careers. KSPE Eastern Chapter has hosted a booth for the past seven years introducing hundreds of young minds to the field of engineering.

Please join us this year by volunteering your time and energy to represent KSPE. We need at least 6 volunteers between 8 am and 3 pm. Please contact Tawn Nugent for more information and to volunteer for a shift.

If you would like to volunteer or have any questions, please contact Tawn Nugent at tnugent@trekkdesigngroup.com. Please indicate if you'd like to volunteer in the morning or the afternoon.

SAVE THE DATE

Young Engineers Happy Hour

Come get to know other engineers in the eastern chapter and watch some postseason baseball.

When: Tuesday, October 17, 2017, 5:30 to 7:30pm

Where: Fox & Hound
10428 Metcalf Ave.
Indian Creek Shopping Center
Overland Park, KS 66212

Cost: Members: \$20 (Bring a potential member: \$10)
Potential Member: Free

RSVP: By 10-6-2017 to cschoenhals@gbateam.com

Eastern Chapter
Kansas Society of Professional Engineers (KSPE)
Treasurer's Report for June/July 2017
 July 31, 2017

Cash on Hand

Beginning Balance as of May 10, 2017	\$425.00	
Additions	\$0.00	
Reductions	\$20.00	
	\$405.00	\$405.00

Checking Account

Beginning Balance as of May 10, 2017	\$3,867.47	
<i>Deposits</i>		
<i>May Meeting Income</i>	\$620.00	
<i>EFK Reimbursement</i>	\$1,000.00	
	\$1,620.00	
<i>Payments</i>		
<i>May Exec Sec Salary</i>	\$150.00	
<i>May Meeting Expenses</i>	\$276.00	
<i>Dream Big</i>	\$1,000.00	
<i>EFK Deposit - Bridge Building</i>	\$252.29	
	\$1,678.29	
<i>Transfers to/from Money Market</i>		
<i>Deposits</i>	\$0.00	
<i>Withdrawals</i>	\$0.00	
Ending Balance as of July 31, 2017		\$3,809.18

Money Market Account

Beginning Balance as of May 10, 2017	\$5,412.67	
<i>Deposits</i>	\$0.00	
<i>Withdrawals</i>	\$0.00	
<i>Dividend Reinvest</i>	\$2.01	
	\$5,414.68	
Ending Balance as of July 31, 2017		\$5,414.68

Engineers Foundation of Kansas

Beginning Balance as of May 10, 2017	\$8,383.03	
<i>Deposits</i>		
<i>Bridge Building Deposit</i>	\$252.29	
<i>Withdrawals</i>		
<i>Dream Big</i>	\$1,000.00	
	\$7,635.32	
Ending Balance as of July 31, 2017		\$7,635.32

PEPP Dispersal CD

Beginning Balance as of May 10, 2017	\$14,405.99	
<i>Deposits</i>	\$1.89	
<i>Withdrawals</i>	\$0.00	
	\$14,407.88	
Ending Balance as of July 31, 2017		\$14,407.88

Respectfully Submitted,



Tony Rome, P.E.
 Treasurer

Total **\$31,672.06**

August Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 7, 2017

Attendees: Cindy McCann, Cliff Speegle, Charlie Love, Tony Rome, Cody Porter, Anne Schroer, Ozzy Bravo, Rachel Henkhaus, Rod Holcomb

Call to Order (4:44 pm)
Approved agenda

Reports:

- Previous meeting minutes – previously approved via email
- Treasurer's report – Tony reviewed the 2016-2017 Year-end Treasurer's report with the Board. At the conclusion of the discussion, the Board reviewed the proposed 2017-2018 budget and approved it for use for the upcoming year. Tony transitioned Treasurer duties to Ozzy for the upcoming year.

Committee Reports:

- Legislative – Charlie is working on a speaker for the October meeting. Meeting to be in late October.
- MATHCOUNTS – Received email from Don Taylor (State coordinator) that there is a coordinator meeting to be held in Dallas and Eastern Chapter representative is invited. Rachel plans to go if her schedule allows.
- Model Bridge Building – Plans to hold the event at Prairie Fire again this year.
- Fundraising – Tracking one final doner from previous year. Has seen good results last couple of years. Request letters to be sent out this fall.
- Membership – Do we need a chair immediately for this Committee? The Board discussed some state initiatives for membership.
- Awards – No Report
- Young Engineers – Discussion about how many events and what would work for both fall and spring.
- Engineering Preparation – The group decided a much broader discussion was necessary and formed a task force to address the topic. Tony and Cliff volunteered to serve on the task force.
- Engineer's week – There will be a kickoff conference call August 8. Cindy asked for any ideas for speakers.
- Advertising – Letter went out to firms.
- State Director – The annual conference planning effort is underway. There has been discussion of eliminating the requirement for a theme for the conference.
- Community Service Project(s) – Similar activities this year.
- Chapter Meetings – The September meeting has been changed to September 26. Location to be determined.

Old Business

- ASCE Dream Big event – Still planning to have a watch party, which KSPE donation will help to fund.

New Business

- Newsletter deadline Sept. 1
- Succession plans
- Engineering Prep revisions

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm.

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