



KSPE

Eastern Chapter News

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President's Message

By: Cliff Speegle, P.E.

We've had a great January and February that was capped by the E-Week luncheon on February 23rd. We celebrated our Mathcounts, Bridge Building, and Future Cities award winners with almost 600 engineers! Hopefully you were able to participate.

We are still looking for nominations for our chapter awards. See the award opportunities here <http://www.kansasengineer.org>. Contact me at cspeegle@affinis.us if you are wanting to submit or have a person or project in mind to nominate.

We now roll into March, which is hard to believe even though we have had March weather for a month already. Our joint meeting with ASCE was March 2nd. Later in the month, we will get together and have some fun watching our brackets get busted on day one of the big tournament. This is always a fun event and a great chance to get to know other members. We will be at Coach's in Overland Park again this year. I'm hoping my Oklahoma State Pokes get in this year so I can pick them to win it all. Page three contains a flier that you can print to hang up around your office to encourage others to join KSPE.

Did you follow the Oroville Dam story as closely as I did? It captured my attention and much of the country. You never want to see a situation put the public at risk, but this did provide the chance to step back focus on infrastructure and the roll engineers play. The public can sometimes take safety for granted and in a way that is a complement to our work when they don't have to worry. I wonder how many people in the area knew they lived near the tallest earthen dam in the US before this event? Stories like this reinforce the purpose of NSPE and protecting licensure so that we can hold public safety paramount.

As always, thanks for the time you give to the profession and for the work you do keeping the public safe.

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Thanks to all who helped pitch in and make the luncheon a success. It takes more work to pull off than I ever guessed.

It was also great to honor Ozzy Bravo as the Eastern Chapter's Engineer of the Year at the luncheon. Ozzy is well deserving for his work as an engineer and for what he gives back to our profession and the community. Speaking of community, he has an service opportunity to help build ramps for the Friends of Johnson County Developmental Services if you're looking to give back. See the information later in the newsletter.



KSPE EC Website

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

Check it out...

www.kansasengineer.org/Chapters/Eastern.aspx

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

Event Information

March Madness

Informal event to get new members to join KSPE - please spread the word to prospective members.

Date:

Thursday, March 16, 2017

Time:

4:00 Board Meeting
5:30 p.m. - Event

Location:

Coach's Bar & Grill
Fireplace Room
9089 W 135th St.
Overland Park, KS 66221

Cost:

\$25 members
\$10 prospective members
Pay at door with Cash or Check

Menu:

Open Bar and appetizers included

RSVP:

Deadline Tuesday March 14, 2017
No-shows will be billed

RSVP to Cheri Schoenhals at cschoenhals@gbateam.com

Save the Dates

**April Chapter Meeting -
April 6**

Joint meeting with SAME/MSPE

Award Nominations

Please contact Cliff Speegle at cspeegle@affinis.us regarding award nominations for the KSPE Eastern Chapter awards. Nomination forms can be found at the KSPE website

<http://www.kansasengineer.org>.

The Eastern Chapter award recipients will also be submitted on April 3rd to KSPE for state awards.

Award Categories

- Outstanding Citizen
- Outstanding Engineering Achievement
- Government Engineer of the Year
- Intern Engineer of the Year
- KSPE Award
- Professional Development
- Outstanding Teacher
- Young Engineer of the Year

KSPE March Madness

A great way to meet current KSPE members and join the organization.

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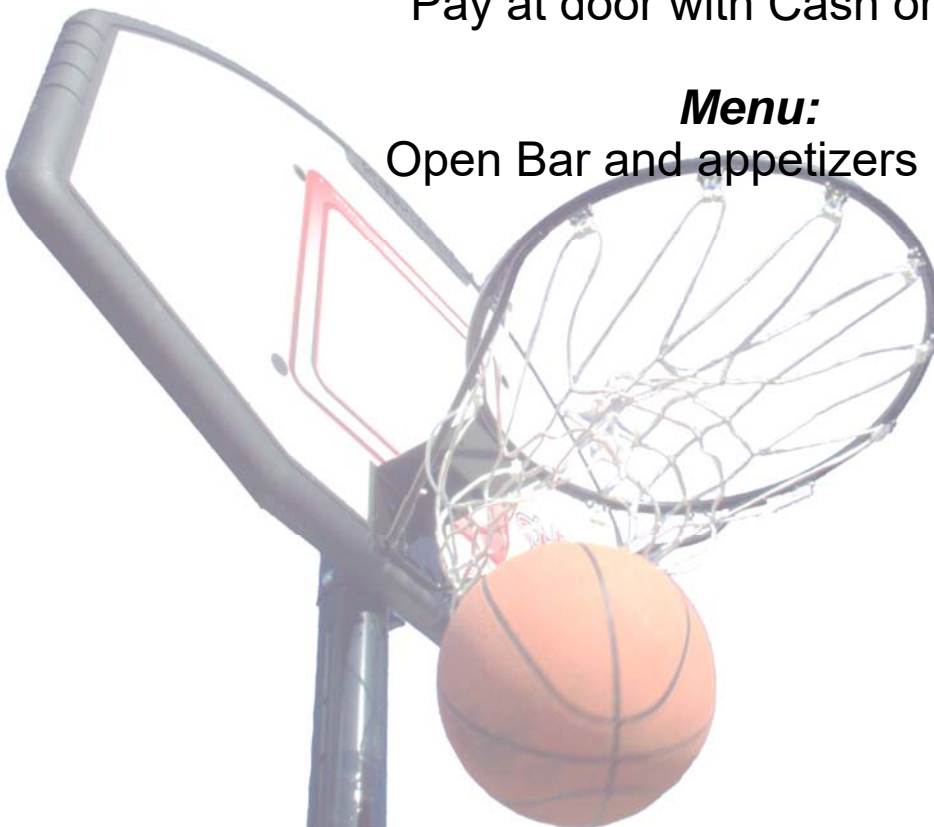
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Building Resources for People With Disabilities

KSPE EC Community Service Event **Building an ADA Ramp for** **Friends of Johnson County Developmental Services** Shift 1 - April 21, 2016 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Shift 2 - April 21, 2016 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Shift 3 - April 22, 2016 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Please contact Ozzy Bravo (obravo@terracon.com) by April 18th if you would like to volunteer. The team lead for the project is Shawn Graff with City of Lee's Summit and APWA KC Metro.

Home Location:

1201 E Loula Street, Olathe, Kansas

We are partnering with the APWA KC Metro Chapter Community Service Committee on this project. Come on out if you want to help make a difference in our KSPE Eastern Chapter community, or if you would like to use power tools. Feel free to stop by for one of the shifts or work both days. We will be helping out a great community organization that supports individuals with mental and physical disabilities. The ramp will allow the men that live at the house access to a great back yard. There are plenty of tasks to perform regardless of your level of expertise. There will be a number of people on site both days to meet.

Additional Information:

The following are important things you need to know about volunteering:

- **Children under the age of 14 are not permitted to volunteer for safety reasons.**
- Closed toed shoes are required.
- Dress casually and comfortably (jeans and t-shirts, and/or sweatshirts)
- Please leave all valuable jewelry at home. This includes rings which may come off in the packing process.



Treasurer's Report

Eastern Chapter
Kansas Society of Professional Engineers (KSPE)
Treasurer's Report for February 2017

February 24, 2017

Cash on Hand

Beginning Balance as of January 18, 2017	\$425.00	
Additions	\$0.00	
Reductions	\$0.00	
Ending Balance as of February 24, 2017		\$425.00

Checking Account

Beginning Balance as of January 18, 2017 \$3,701.20

Deposits

EFK Donations	\$200.00
February Legislative lunch income	\$250.00
Bridge Building Income	\$780.00
Total Deposits	\$1,230.00

Payments

Mathcounts Expenses - Tony Rome - Awards	\$414.43
EFK Transfer	\$200.00
Jan Exec Sec Salary	\$150.00
Legislative Lunch Expense	\$409.31
Mathcounts Expenses - HBHA	\$276.01
Bridge Building Expenses - Lochner	\$514.27
Mathcounts Expenses - AAA - Table Rental	\$220.00
Olathe T-Shirts - EOY Plaque	\$65.54
Total Payments	\$2,249.56

Transfers to/from Money Market

Deposits	\$0.00
Withdrawals	\$0.00

Ending Balance as of February 24, 2017 \$2,681.64

Money Market Account

Beginning Balance as of January 18, 2017 \$5,412.17

Deposits	\$0.00
Withdrawals	\$0.00
Dividend Reinvest	\$0.21

Ending Balance as of February 24, 2017 \$5,412.38

Engineers Foundation of Kansas

Beginning Balance as of January 18, 2017 \$2,692.78

Deposits

 Fundraising \$1,500.00

Withdrawals

Ending Balance as of February 24, 2017 \$4,192.78

PEPP Dispersal CD

Beginning Balance as of January 18, 2017 \$14,185.77

Deposits	\$0.00
Withdrawals	\$0.00

Ending Balance as of February 24, 2017 \$14,185.77

Respectfully Submitted,

Total \$26,897.57



Tony Rome, P.E.
Treasurer

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