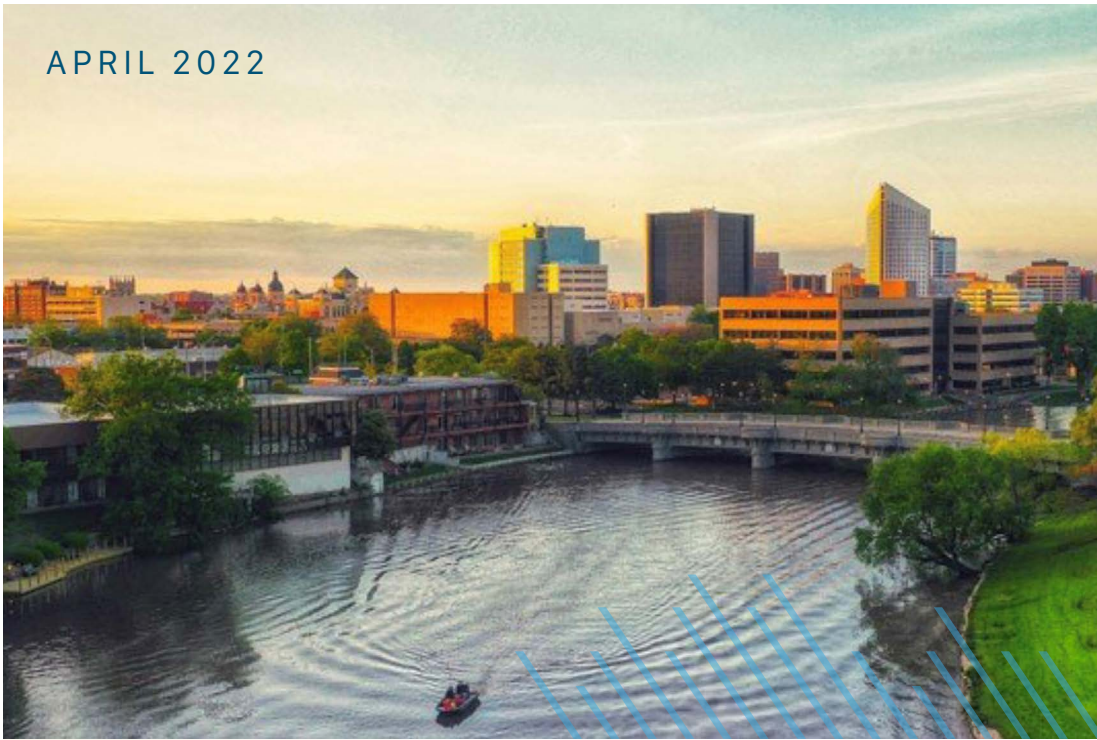


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Wichita Society of Professional Engineers NEWSLETTER

President's Message

Happy Spring! As spring comes in to full effect, it brings with it the construction season. More and more construction projects are starting up on our city streets and highways. While that is a good thing as we continue to reinvest in our infrastructure, it's a reminder to be diligent when driving through construction zones — **Slow Down, Phone Down.** April 11–15 is National Work Zone Awareness Week. Consider participating in some of the events over the week and help spread the word for work zone safety.

It continues to be a relatively quiet legislative session in Topeka, at least as it relates to engineering. As always KSPE is on top of what's happening at the statehouse and will continue to advocate for you as an engineer and the importance of protecting licensure.

Chapter events continue to be in full swing. Last month, we had a great turnout for our joint meeting with DBIA to discuss different project delivery methods and watch some NCAA Basketball Tournament action. This month, we have a joint meeting with ASCE and an evening social event "Beers with Engineers." Mark your calendar for May when we celebrate our Chapter Award winners. We have a great group of honorees, so plan to come out and celebrate them. Check out the events page for details — looking forward to seeing you all!

Jacob Borchers, PE, PMP
WSPE President

Another Year of MathCounts is in the Book!

As with most parts of our lives, the pandemic affected the last two years of our local MathCounts competition. Last year, the competition was strictly online, which was a definite change for the students, coaches, and volunteers.

This year, the National MathCounts office said we would again be online with our competition, but we were given the option to do a “bonus” in-person event. This was a great opportunity for students to get together and compete, with fun prizes at the end. It was also a great opportunity to get our volunteers back to grading those tests!

The top four students and the top team from the online competition went on to compete in the in-person state competition in March in Topeka.

Photos shown on the following page were taken at the bonus event when the MathCounts Coordinator **Jessica Rhein, PE** handed out trophies to the top four online students. Robinson Middle School even had a pizza party to celebrate the end of the MathCounts year!

As always, **THANK YOU** to the volunteers that make this event happen. We could not do it without you! Be on the lookout for information about next year’s competition.

BBQ Bingo



Please reach out to **Paul Garrett, PE** or **Rebecca Mellies, EIT** if you’re interested in sponsoring one of our fantastic prizes or joining in for a great evening!

This Day in Engineering History

On April 9, 1959 – On this day, NASA introduced America’s first-ever astronauts. These seven individuals, who were military pilots, were selected out of group of 32 to be a part of Project Mercury, NASA’s first manned mission. NASA planned to begin manned orbital flights in 1961.



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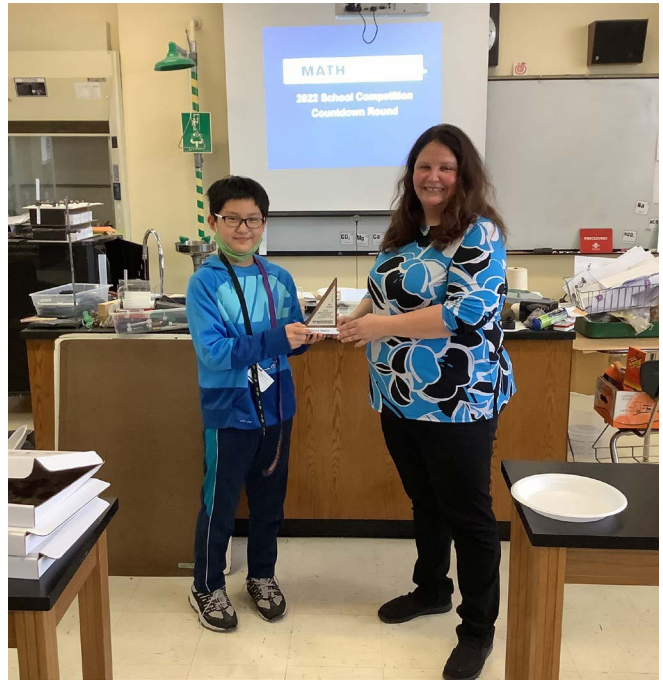
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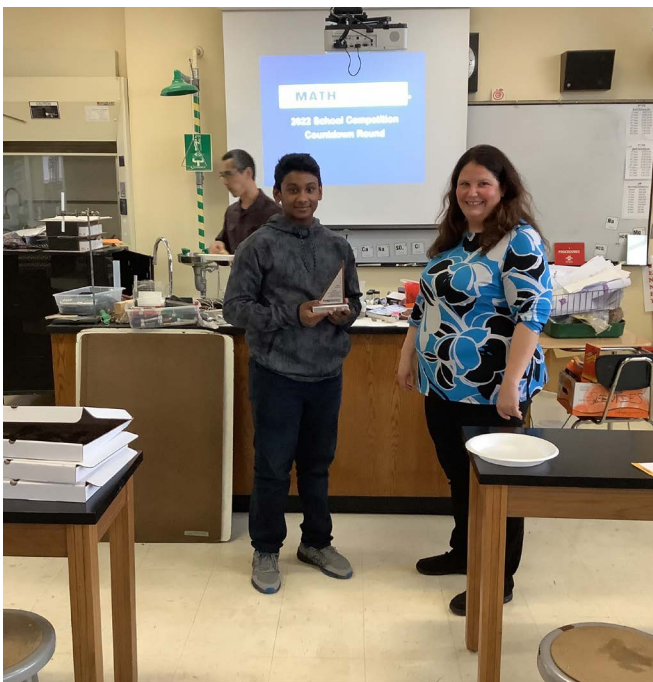
February 5, 2022 – MathCounts



Top 4 Students (left to right)
Michael Berger, Maize MS;
Oshada Koralegedara, Robinson MS;
Ethan MacKenzie, Wichita Collegiate;
Bin Miao, Robinson MS



1st Place (Online Competition)
Bin Miao



3rd Place (Online Competition)
Oshada Koralegedara



4th Place (Online Competition)
Cora Hill

Recent Events Contd.



1st Place Team Bonus Event – Robinson Middle School
1st Picture (Left to Right): Coach Charles Jenney, Ashwath Jagadeesh, Rayan Zaman, Oshada Koralegedara, Bin Miao, and Coach Dr. Tianshi Lu



DBIA/WSPE Joint Meeting *Alan Youngers and McCown Gordon* *Pros and Cons of Project Delivery Methods*



Project Delivery Methods

DBIA – NSPE Partnered Event



THE ESSENTIALS

March 18th, 2022
12:00 – 1:00PM
(tournament watching after)
Picasso's Pizzeria
621 W Douglas Ave.

Come join us in a presentation by Alan Youngers with McCownGordon on the project delivery methods discussing the pros and cons between Design-Bid-Build, CMAR, and Design-Build.

Pizza will be provided with registration.

We can watch the Tournament afterwards.

March 18, 2022 – Picasso's Pizzeria

WSPE Region Construction Projects



Clair Donnelly Amphitheater – Maize, KS

UPCOMING EVENTS

APR
20
WED

**Joint ASCE/WSPE
TBD Site Tour**

JUN
15-17
WED-FRI

**KSPE Conference Wichita
Drury Plaza Hotel
Broadview**

APR
28
THU

**Beers With Engineers
Shamrock Lounge**

AUG
12
FRI

**BBQ Bingo
Distillery 244**

MAY
19
THU

**Awards Banquet
Scotch & Sirloin
Evening event – \$35/person**



Join us in celebrating the people and projects that made Wichita a better place to live and play in 2021 at this year's awards banquet!



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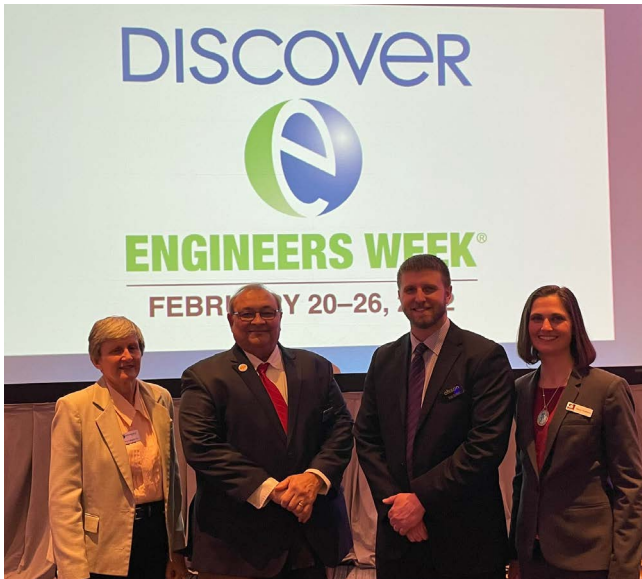
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