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Wichita Society of Professional Engineers NEWSLETTER

President's Message

Happy March! – With spring just around the corner, I'm reminded of what spring means and all it has to offer. Spring is a time of new growth, warmth, and a renewed energy. I encourage you all to take some time to reflect back and look for areas of growth both professionally and personally.

It's been a relatively quiet legislative session in Topeka as it relates to engineering, and I suppose that's a good thing. As always, KSPE is on top of what is happening at the statehouse and will continue to advocate for you as engineers and the importance of protecting licensure.

I hope you all found meaningful ways to celebrate E-Week in February. It's always an exciting week to show the world what engineers can do. We had a great turnout for Engineer for a Day. It's a day when high school students can see first hand what happens in the daily life of an engineer. Thank you to all the companies that hosted students and a big thank you to Rebecca Mellies for coordinating this year's event.

This spring promises to be an exciting time within the chapter. March brings our annual joint meeting with DBIA and will be held during the

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opening round of the NCAA Basketball Tournament. Plan to join us for the meeting, then stick around and enjoy some college basketball in the afternoon. March also marks the return of our monthly social, Beers with Engineers. April brings a joint meeting with ASCE and a site visit to the Wichita NW Water Treatment Facility.

Check out the Events page for all the details. Looking forward to seeing you all!

Jacob Borchers, PE, PMP

WSPE President

Conference Presenters Needed

KSPE's Young Engineer Committee is looking for presenters for the KSPE 2022 Annual Conference in Wichita! The Committee is in need of presenters for three roundtables with a special focus on young engineers:

1. **Financial Planning for Young Engineers** – a personal finance presentation with a focus on financial planning and investing for young engineers
2. **PE Prep** – a panel of presenters that have recently taken the PE discussing their experiences and their advice for young engineers planning to take the exam in the future
3. **Future of Engineering** – a presentation on emerging technologies and tools that engineers are beginning to adopt. What could engineering look like in 5–20 years?

If you are interested in presenting, please contact Alex Wampler (adwampler@burnsmcd.com).

This Day in Engineering History

March 2, 1949 – On this day, the "Lucky Lady II" flew around the world non-stop in 94 hours for the first time ever. This B50 Superfortress refueled four times in the air and was led by Captain James Gallagher. Captain Gallagher had a crew of 13 individuals who departed Fort Worth, Texas on February 26, 1949. They were able to cover 23,452 miles averaging a ground speed of 249 miles per hour.

Big Bomber Is Refueled in Air 4 Times In 4-Day, 23,452-Mile Trip From Texas



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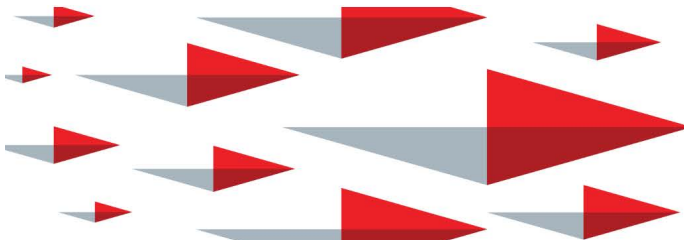
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Recent Events



**TWENTY
TWENTY-ONE**
Greater Wichita Partnership Year-End Update



February 24, 2022 – River City Brewery

E-Week — Engineer for a Day NWWF Site Visit



February 24, 2022 – Wichita Northwest Water Facility

WSPE Region Construction Projects



Country View Flap Gate Project – Derby, KS

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAR
18
FRI

Joint DBIA – Topic TBD
Picasso Pizzeria

JUN
15-17
WED-FRI

KSPE Conference Wichita
*Drury Plaza Hotel
Broadview*

MAR
24
THU

Beers With Engineers
Pumphouse

AUG
12
FRI

BBQ Bingo
Distillery 244



Annual
CONFERENCE

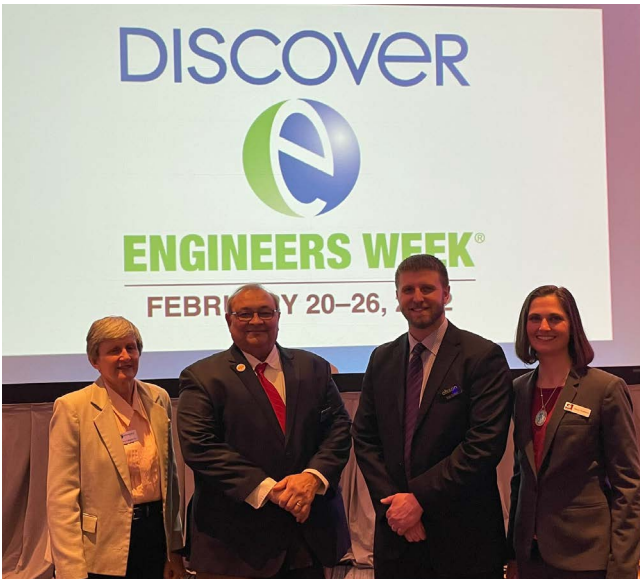
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