

January Lunch Meeting at Bonfyre Grille

Wednesday, January 28th, 2015

11:30am: Social

Noon: Lunch and Presentation

Join us for this month's lunch meeting at Bonfyre American Grille.

Kim Ballweg of Ayres Associates will present on construction observation services provided for the reconstruction of the Mineral Point Road and Junction Road intersection in Madison. The complex project - which involved the City of Madison, Dane County, and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation - replaced the existing signalized intersection with a jug-handle interchange. Mineral Point Road was rebuilt to a six-lane divided urban roadway, and Junction Road is a four-lane divided urban roadway. Kim's presentation will provide a summary of the construction on Mineral Point Road.

Kim has more than 20 years of experience in transportation design and construction. She is supervisor of construction engineering for Ayres Associates' projects in southern Wisconsin.

The event will begin at 11:30am with a networking social and lunch will be served at noon. All meals will come with a house salad, beverage, and desert for a cost of \$25. Entree selections include:

- ~Chicken Parmesan
- ~Grilled Jumbo Shrimp GF
- ~Herb Rotisserie Chicken GF
- ~Mort's Pot Roast GF

[Register Here](#)

Save-the-Date February Joint Dinner Meeting

Our February meeting will be a joint meeting with WSPE on Wednesday, February 25, 2015 from 5:30 to 7:30 at Fitzgerald's in Middleton. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend!

Congratulations to the 2014 ASCE Scholarship Recipients!

UW-Madison
Aaron Blazich
Thomas McAdams

UW-Platteville
Evan Constant
Kristine Dreher

The ASCE Southwest Branch would like to express our profound gratitude to the donors of the 2014 ASCE Southwest Branch Scholarships. Because of their generosity and charity, we were able to provide four \$750 scholarships (\$3,000 total) to deserving civil engineering students from UW-Platteville and UW-Madison.

The ASCE Southwest Branch thanks you very much for your contribution to the scholarship fund and we hope we can count on your continued support!

Visionary (\$500+): Mead & Hunt; SRI Design Inc.; W.F.Baird & Associates Ltd.

Sustainer (\$250-\$499): MSA Professional Services; Strand Associates, Inc.; Wisconsin Concrete Pipe Association; Wisconsin Asphalt Pavement Association

Patron (\$150-\$249): Kenny's Canoe and Kayak Shop; SCS Engineers, Inc.; Town and Country Engineering, Inc.

Sponsor (\$0-\$149): Tensar; The Reinforced Earth Company

1st Annual Mini-Golf UW-ASCE Fundraiser

The UW-Madison ASCE student chapter is hosting its first annual Mini-golf Fundraiser on February 5th from 5-8pm at Vitense Golfland. This event is open to students, CEE faculty, professionals, as well as their families. We'd also like to extend the opportunity for your company to sponsor a hole, where the company logo will be displayed on the hole, you will receive one adult admission, and your company will be recognized on our webpage after the event.

[Information and Registration](#)

Thanks for a Great Turnout at our December Activities

A very big thanks to everyone who came out to our December Luncheon and the younger member Ugly Sweater Bar Crawl. It was great to have so much participation from our members!



President's Message

Happy New Year! I hope that everyone had a safe and happy holidays, and is

looking forward to good things in 2015.

We had great attendance at last month's meeting, with a presentation by Fred Groth, P.E., S.E. of Græef regarding the ongoing and future renovations of Memorial Union. Great engineering efforts by all involved and a great presentation by Fred. Thank you Fred and thank you Branch members for such a great turnout!

For this month, we will be joined by Kimberly Ballweg of Ayres and Associates. She will be presenting on a local effort, the replacement of the existing signalized Mineral Point Road and Junction Road intersection with a jug-handle interchange. The complex project - which involved the City of Madison, Dane County, and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation - is one I'm sure most of us have already had a chance to utilize in our travels on the west side. I know my wife, who uses it on a daily basis, is happy to have a quicker path across Mineral Point Rd.

We have a new Program and Arrangements Chair on our board. Harry Tran with ECMS has agreed to take over the position, and we are very happy to have him! Harry is new to the area, so please welcome him to our ASCE Southwest Branch at our next meeting. We are still looking for a new Scholarship Chair for the upcoming year, so please let us know if you might be interested and we can provide additional information. This is a great way to get to know people throughout the branch!

Our branch website (ascewisw.org), or Facebook/LinkedIn pages are a great way to keep up with branch activities. These are updated frequently to reflect the latest news, meeting information, and opportunities for involvement. We are always looking for feedback from our members on what we can do to help you out more. Please feel free to contact me anytime at ricstoor@gmail.com with any comments, suggestions, or requests.

Thank you,

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ASCE Wisconsin SW Branch President

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