



# Civil Engineer<sup>KANSAS CITY</sup>

## THE NEWSLETTER

March 2015

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### March

18th— EWRI March Lunch Meeting

18th— YMG Monthly Meeting

21st— YMG Harvester's Event

26th— Geotech Evening Seminar

#### April

12th—Special Olympics of Kansas

23rd— Annual Kansas City Geotechnical Conference

25th—Blue River Watershed Association

### The Kansas City Section Presents:

April Meeting Sponsored by:  
University of Kansas Edwards Campus

2015 President-elect Mark W. Woodson, PE, LS, D.WRE, F.ASCE

Mark received his Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering in 1979 and an MBA in 1985 from the University of Arizona in Tucson. Mark is a licensed civil engineer and surveyor in California and Arizona.

In 1984 Mark and his family moved to Eagar, AZ where he was the Public Works Director and Town Engineer. In 1986 he moved to Flagstaff to become the Flagstaff City Engineer.

Mark started Woodson Engineering and Surveying in 1994, in Flagstaff, AZ. They provide general civil engineering and surveying services to both public and private clients, throughout the southwest

Mark has been active in ASCE and was the Southern Arizona Branch President in 1984, Northern Arizona Branch President in 1986 and the Arizona Section President in 1991.

In August Mark was elected to become the 2015 President-elect of ASCE, which will make him the 2016 ASCE President.

Mark is also an active and long term member of both the University of Arizona and Northern Arizona University Civil Engineering Department Advisory Councils.

**Date:** Tuesday, April 14th, 2015

**Location:** Plaza III  
4749 Pennsylvania Ave  
Kansas City, MO 64112

**Cost:** \$30

**Time:** 11:30 - Registration/Social  
12:00 - Lunch  
12:30 - Presentation

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## From the President

### Appreciation and Recognition

When was the last time your supervisor praised your efforts? When was the last time you gave out the praise for a job well done? I am sure many of you have experienced a manager that was slow to commend and quick to criticize. With that in mind, when was the last time you complained about someone? Do you consider purely critical people good leaders? I personally think that many people are quick to complain and condemn and often forget any sort of praise.

Everyone likes to be appreciated for the work they are doing; whether it is at work, at home, or in your professional associations. The simple act of showing appreciation demonstrates to the person that you value their contribution. Take time to listen and look for the positives you will find all kinds of things to appreciate about others. There is always that one person that just gets on your very last nerve, but I have found if you can take the time to look at them with gratitude and understanding in mind it really improves your interactions with that person. Often what you see in others they may not see in themselves which makes the interaction even more special. As a leader of your profession (and all of you are!) you can set an example for others to follow by recognizing and expressing your own appreciation and gratitude for the contributions of others. Constructive criticism should only be given with the intent to help the person grow stronger. This type of criticism is typically offset with some sort of praise.

To foster some kind words I set a bowl of candy on my desk and a note that said "Take one for yourself and give another to someone else along with a sincere compliment." People really enjoyed the candy and it brightened the whole work environment. I also love to give elaborate thank you notes and share them with people's bosses so they are reminded of how great their employees are. Public recognition is the best kind especially at performance review time!

"Feeling gratitude and not expressing it is like wrapping a present and not giving it." William Arthur Ward



## From the President, Cont'd

ASCE has ways of showing their appreciation for individuals and groups at the Society, Regional and Section Level. Some of these awards received by members of our Section this year include:

- Sara Somsy – Region 7 Outstanding Younger Member 2014
- Sara Goebel – Central Region Award for Public Service 2015
- Alysén Abel – Harland Bartholomew Award 2015 (Society Level Award)
- Mike Winckler – Central Region Outstanding Younger Member in Public Sector 2014
- Ozzy Bravo – Top Ten Faces of Civil Engineering 2014 (Society Level Award)
- Kensey Russell – 2014 KC Section Engineer of the Year
- Little Mill Creek Restoration and Sanitary Sewer Improvements – 2014 KC Section Project of the Year
- 16 New Life Members (Society Level Award)

You can read more about these awards in this and previous newsletters found at [www.kcengineers.org](http://www.kcengineers.org). ASCE has so many awards at the Society, Region and Local Levels, that you can nominate deserving people to receive. You can see a list of these at <http://www.asce.org/awards/>. If you want help nominating someone please feel free to let me or the Section Awards Committee know. The Awards Committee is Co-Chaired by Chester Bender and Chad Johnson and includes a representative from the Geotechnical Committee, EWRI, SEI, the Younger Members Group, and a UMKC Professor. This is to ensure all groups are represented and united in their nominations. This group has already accomplished amazing! Since their inception in December, they have established, collected your nominations, and awarded the new Section Engineer of the Year and Section Project of the Year Awards. They also are responsible for the awards presented at the Annual Awards Luncheon and nominating for the Regional and Society Level awards. They have lots of responsibility and would welcome input and help. This would be a great committee to get involved in!

On April 14<sup>th</sup>, the Kansas City Section will host our Annual Awards Luncheon. National President-Elect Mark Woodson will be attending this meeting to share his vision for ASCE. During this meeting we will also honor Outstanding and Distinguished Student Award Winners from the University of Missouri – Kansas City and Missouri Western State University. In addition we will honor those individuals who have achieved Life Member status.

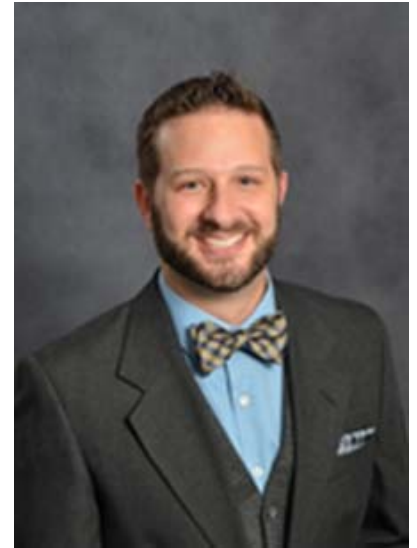
Hope to see you at the Awards Luncheon on Tuesday, April 14<sup>th</sup>. Now go out and make someone's day! And ... I truly appreciate you reading my article this month!

Jennifer Jacka-Taylor, P.E., M.ASCE

President, Kansas City Section ASCE

## Engineer of the Year Award

The Section Awards Committee is pleased to congratulate Kensey Russell as the 2014 Engineer of the Year for the Kansas City Section. Kensey is a member of the transportation design group in the Overland Park office of HNTB, and he has established a reputation for professionalism and proficiency among a number of KDOT and City project managers. Kensey has helped design some of the interchanges in Johnson County on the I-435 and U.S. 69 improvements, some of which have been built and others are ongoing. Kensey is also a trusted mentor to younger engineers and coordinates professional development within his group at HNTB. Congratulations, Kensey!



This is the start of an annual tradition to recognize the important contributions to our society that are provided by civil engineers.

## Project of the Year

The Section Awards Committee is pleased to recognize the Little Mill Creek Restoration and Sanitary Sewer Improvements project as the 2014 Project of the year. This project was jointly sponsored (i. e. funded) by Johnson County Wastewater and the City of Lenexa. George Butler Associates, Inc. was the design engineer, and National Streetscape, Inc. was the contractor on the project. The project included sanitary sewer protection, stream restoration, water quality enhancements, and park improvements in Little Mill Creek Park in the City of Lenexa. The project originated as a Johnson County Wastewater sewer protection project, and the City agreed to join the project as a partner in restoring the co-located stream. Stream restoration included increased sinuosity, stream bank erosion mitigation, added stream length, grade controls, flood benches, and energy pools in stream, and stormwater treatment cells were added on small tributary channels where they entered the main stream on the project. Congratulations to the project team!



This is the start of an annual tradition to recognize the important contributions to our lives and lifestyle that are provided through civil engineering projects.



## National ASCE 2015 Harland Bartholomew Award

The Kansas City Section of ASCE is proud to congratulate Alysén Abel on receiving the well-deserved National ASCE 2015 Harland Bartholomew Award. This award is given “For her many planning contributions to the enhancement of the role of the civil engineer in urban planning and development.” She will accept the plaque and cash prize at ASCE’s 2015 National Convention in New York City, NY on October 13th, 2015.

“This award is well deserved and just another milestone for one of the future leaders of ASCE at the Society level. I personally have great expectations for Alysén.” Jay Burrell, ASCE Region 7 Director

Alysén’s commitment to serving her community and her profession makes her so deserving of this award. Her positive attitude and interest in helping others is exemplified in her service through professional organizations. Alysén has been an asset to the Kansas City Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers, serving as President of the Section and nearly every other capacity within the Section.

It is her contagious enthusiasm for her cause and her consideration and appreciation of others that exemplifies her leadership ability. She is respected by all who know her for her ability to empower others and work with diverse groups of people while maintaining her resolve to achieve goals. She goes above and beyond and becomes passionate about all her endeavors. She continues to serve her community as the Director of Public Works for the City of Parkville, Missouri. ASCE is lucky to have Alysén and she certainly brings expertise, enthusiasm, and commitment to our profession. Congratulations Alysén and thank you for your leadership!



~Jennifer Taylor, ASCE KC Section President 2014-2015

## Central Region Outstanding Younger Member in the Public Sector Award

The Kansas City Section of ASCE is proud to congratulate Mike Winckler on receiving the well-deserved Central Region Outstanding Younger Member in the Public Sector Award for 2014. He accepted the award at ASCE's Multi Region Leadership Conference 2015 in Houston Texas on January 31st.

Mike has been an amazing asset to the Kansas City Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers. He is the President of the Younger Members Group. Mike has a proven track record of being able to step up and meet any challenge. He has a vision for the YMG and employs an assertive but empowering leadership approach to motivate his board to achieve goals that meet his high expectations. "It truly is a team effort! I'm so fortunate to have the opportunity to lead a great group of officers, and we continue to see new faces at the events hosted by YMG," Mike states. "We've accomplished so much this year, and with just under three months to go, we have several events still in the works!" The YMG provides a variety of outreach and community service opportunities throughout the year. Mike is passionate about serving youth and his community and is constantly involved in these events.

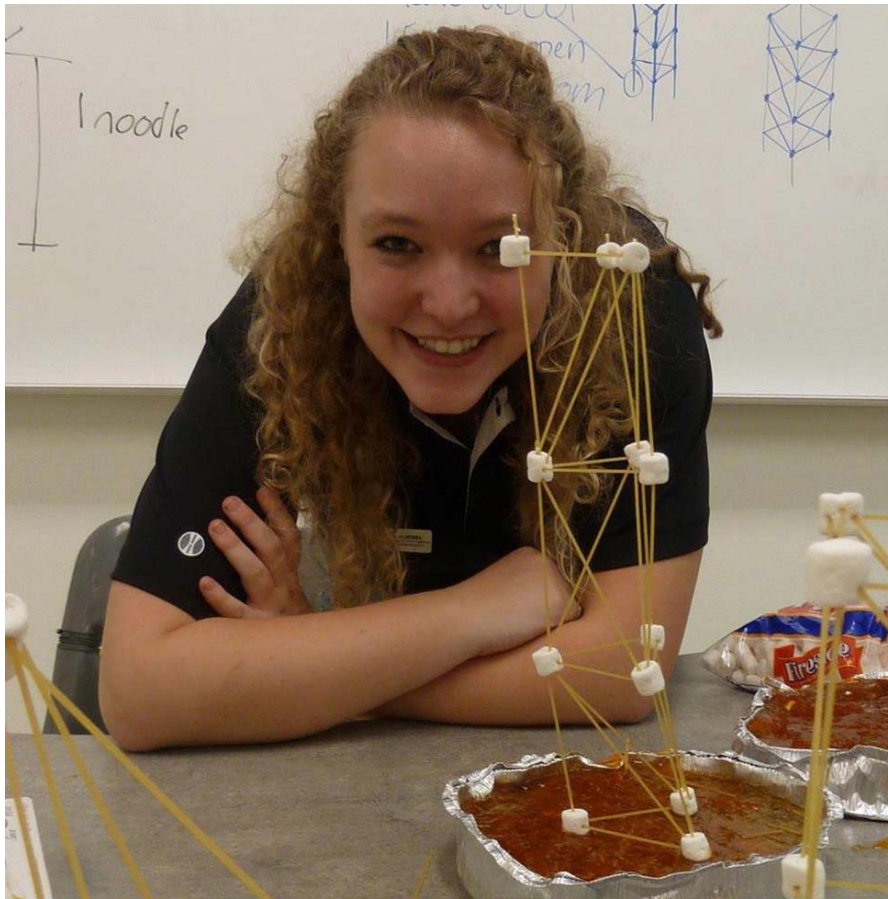


Mike's commitment to serving his community is also demonstrated in his career; Mike currently serves the City of Independence, Missouri as their water pollution control liaison. It is because of his service to others and his passion for everything he does, which will ensure his success in whatever he pursues. Congratulations Mike and thank you for your leadership!

~Jennifer Taylor, ASCE KC Section President 2014-2015



## Central Region Award for Public Service



The Kansas City Section of ASCE is proud to congratulate Sara Goebel on receiving the well-deserved Central Region Award for Public Service. She accepted the award at ASCE's Multi Region Leadership Conference 2015 in Houston Texas on January 31st.

Sara has been an amazing asset to the Kansas City Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers. She is the Student Outreach Committee Co-Chair for ASCE KC. Due to Sara's efforts and vision this committee is having a huge impact on our membership, providing opportunities for everyone to reach out to future generations of engineers. I am proud of how much this committee has accomplished this year.

Sara inspires others to volunteer their time and resources by demonstrating contagious passion and enthusiasm for her cause. She leads by example; she immerses herself in the cause and empowers others to do the same. She can be trusted to get things done and produce amazing results in a short timeline. I think what stands out most is her innovative approach to everything. We are consistently amazed by the ideas she comes up with to engage students. "We are so fortunate with to have Sara and Kurt as our school outreach co-chairs this year! They have really stepped up the outcomes for school outreach and with the demonstration bridge project, I believe we will reach out to even more students to get them engaged early," states Mike Winckler, President KC YMG. "Always looking to the future, I think our school outreach activities are going to become even more impactful in the years ahead thanks to all the contributions by Sara!"

Her committee recently received a grant to do a "demonstration bridge" project that she envisioned. Because of her leadership I trust that this project will be a huge success and will inspire many in the process. Congratulations Sara and thank you for your leadership!

~Jennifer Taylor, ASCE KC Section President 2014-2015

## ASCE KCYMG and ASCE UMKC Student Chapter

For the second year, ASCE KCYMG teams with UMKC's ASCE Student section to host the annual panel discussion regarding questions about career, resumes and job interviews. UMKC's student also invited members of the Society of American Military Engineers to benefit from this annual event. Over 30 students from the disciplines of civil, mechanical, and electrical engineering came out to hear what our panel had to offer, preparing for the UMKC career fair held on February 18th. A very special thanks to members of our interview panel – Bill Yord, Renaissance Infrastructure Consulting; Stacy Kanaga, Burns & McDonnell; Alysén Abel, City of Parkville; Taylor Smith, HDR; and Mike Winckler, City of Independence - for helping out with this great event!



### Olathe Middle School Science Night

ASCE will be hosting a whole classroom worth of activities. We are looking to show case a bit of everything that Civil Engineering has to offer. These will include our bridge activity, and our star-burst shaketable, we'll also be adding a geotechnical activity, a water/environmental activity and possible one more. We need 8-12 volunteers for the evening. This event will take place Wednesday April 22<sup>nd</sup> from 6-8pm and Santa Fe Trail Middle School in Olathe. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer please contact Sara Goebel ([sgoebel@burnsmcd.com](mailto:sgoebel@burnsmcd.com)) or Kurt Mester ([kurt.mester@ibhc.com](mailto:kurt.mester@ibhc.com))

### **Olathe Middle School Science Night**

Mark your calendars now!

**Where:** Santa Fe Trail Middle School

**What:** A whole classroom of ASCE activities!!

**When:** Wednesday April 22<sup>nd</sup> from 6-8pm

**Who:** All of you!! We'll need a bunch of volunteers.

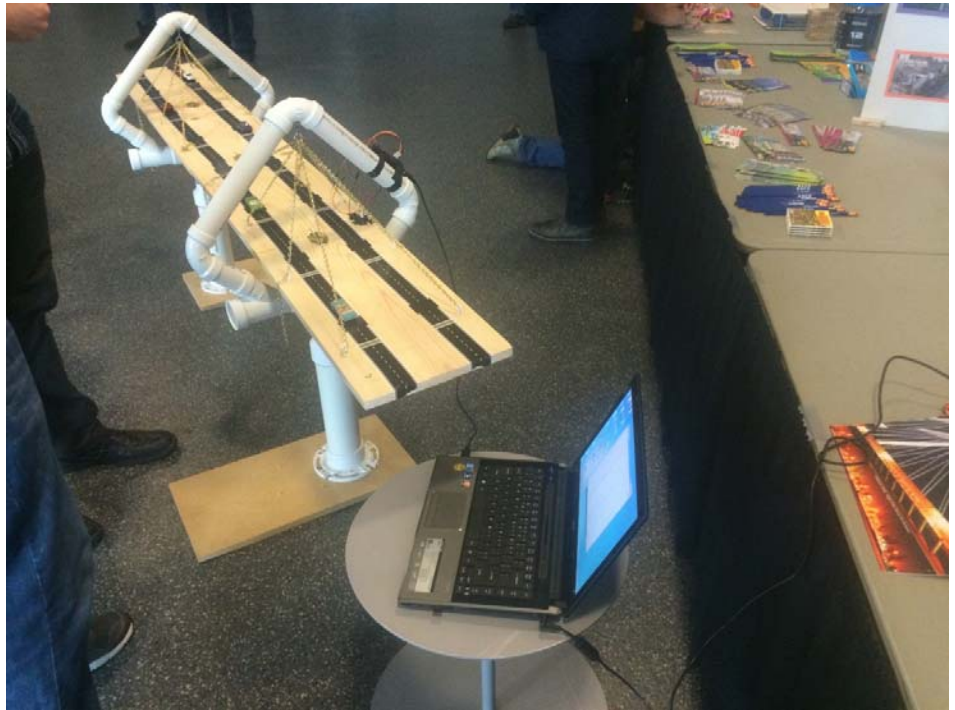
Interested? Contact Sara Goebel ([sgoebel@burnsmcd.com](mailto:sgoebel@burnsmcd.com)) or Kurt Mester ([kurt.mester@ibhc.com](mailto:kurt.mester@ibhc.com)) for more information.



## YMG and UMKC Roo Builders

### ASCE KCYMG at Roo Builders

During E-Week the ASCE Younger Members Group hosted a table at the Roo Builders Competition hosted by UMKC and Missouri Society of Professional Engineers. This event was the premier of the YMG's portable PVC Bridge. The bridge performed great on its first outing, the kids loved it and one of professors at UMKC even set up a sensor to show the movement of the bridge.



Kids interacted with our group by driving toy cars along the deck bridge, and discussing with our group different types of bridges. The kids also built structures out of starbursts and toothpicks, then testing these structures' stability on shake tables.

Thank you to Tony Kulesa, Tom Greer, Kurt Mester, Ozzy Bravo, Aaron Schneider and Sara Goebel for making this a great event!

## Upcoming ASCE YMG Group Events

08.21.2015  
**Falcon Ridge**  
 golf club

**save**  
 the  
**date**

Contact [lmgreer@burnsmcd.com](mailto:lmgreer@burnsmcd.com) or  
[akulesa@burnsmcd.com](mailto:akulesa@burnsmcd.com) with any questions!

**10th**  
 annual  
**ASCE**<sup>KC</sup><sub>YMG</sub>  
 golf  
 tournament



Back by Popular Demand



**ASCE Hosts Royals Night**  
**Friday, June 5, 2015**



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## Upcoming ASCE YMG Group Events Cont'd

### Younger Members Group Hosts Monthly Meeting

Date: Wednesday, March 18th

Time: 6:00pm-8:00pm

Location: Fred P. Ott's (6700 College Blvd. Overland Park, KS 66211)

Drink Specials: \$3.50 Boulevard 16oz draws, \$4.50 Boulevard 22oz draws

Food Specials: \$6.95 chicken tender basket with fries

### Volunteer at Harvester's with MSPE 1-3 PM- Saturday March 21<sup>st</sup>

Come volunteer with the Missouri Society of Professional Engineers. We will be sorting and packing at the Harvester's food banks warehouse. After a couple hours of community service we will have a meet and greet with MSPE at a local establishment. Promises to be an enjoyable afternoon. Interested? Spots are limited spots so contact [Lee Ryherd \(LRyherd@Transystems.com\)](mailto:LRyherd@Transystems.com) to sign up soon!

### Special Olympics Event 2015 - Sunday, April 12th

Come volunteer for our Special Olympics soccer event. We need referees and scorekeepers for both the morning and afternoon shifts. This is our second year of giving back with this great community service event! See our [event page](#) for more information and contact [Andrew Robertson](#) to sign up.

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## ASCE Life Members for 2015

ASCE National Office has announced the achievement of LIFE MEMBERSHIP by several members in our Section. Our Chapter will recognize the new Life Members at our Awards Luncheon on April 14th. Please plan on attending the Awards Luncheon and help us to honor and thank the Life Members for their many years of service to our profession. Following is a list of our new Life Members:

Maurice L. Bowersox, PE, M.ASCE

Gary M. Schuman, PE, M.ASCE

David E. Evers, PE, M.ASCE

Donald D. Steele, PE, M.ASCE

Michael L. Giles, PE, M.ASCE

Philip C. Terry, PE, M.ASCE

Michael C. Hale, PE, M.ASCE

M. Clark Thompson, PE, M.ASCE

Ronald E. King, PE, M.ASCE

Steven L. Tritsch, PE, M.ASCE

Leonard J. Kriesky Jr., PE, M.ASCE

Douglas Waltemath, PE, M.ASCE

Jerry A. Nachtrab, PE, M.ASCE

Chris D. Wilson, PE, M.ASCE

La Mont A. Nigus, PE, M.ASCE

Thomas D. Wright, PE, M.ASCE

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## Raising the Bar for Engineering

By Jay Burress, P.E.

Today's business world has become increasingly complex and engineering is no different. Over the last few decades, engineers have gone from using slide rules and log tables to GPS and sophisticated modeling software. They are now addressing some of society's biggest challenges, everything from making solar energy economical and engineering medicines to prolong life and eradicate disease to securing cyberspace and fixing the nation's ailing infrastructure.

As a professional engineer, I'm pleased to report that a variety of forward thinking engineering leaders and organizations are stepping up to ensure that engineers of the future are ready to meet these challenges. They are doing so by working to increase the educational requirements to become a licensed Professional Engineer (PE) in the United States.

Although it varies by state, today's Professional Engineers typically have to earn a baccalaureate degree in engineering and work for at least four years before they can take their PE licensing exam. Engineering leaders are proposing adding a requirement for a master's degree or an equivalent 30 hours of graduate-level education for engineers to qualify for licensure.

The complex challenges facing 21st century society require professional engineers to not only advance their technical knowledge but also their leadership, communications, and business skills. But the National Academy of Engineering reports that the exploding body of knowledge that is required cannot be accommodated within the context of the traditional four-year undergraduate degree. Simply put, the engineering education of the present will not be sufficient to prepare engineers to protect the public and improve its quality of life in the future.

Engineering once led all professions in the amount of formal education required. The irony is that as the knowledge requirements for engineers have exploded over the last few decades, the requirements to get a BS in engineering have actually decreased. The average engineering program at U.S. universities has decreased from about 145 semester hours to about 128 over the past several decades, with most of that decrease coming in upper level technical design courses.

Think about it: Would you be happy if your physician of the future had 20% less education than the doctor of the past? Probably not.

By "Raising the Bar," as the initiative has come to be known, engineers would join nearly every other learned profession in recognizing the growth in knowledge and complexity in the field by raising its education requirements for licensing. Relatively recent changes have been made in the requirements for doctors, pharmacists, occupational therapists, architects, and certified public accountants, among other professions, to make graduate education mandatory.

## Raising the Bar for Engineering Cont'd

Licensure for engineers is done at the state level, so the engineering leaders who want to enact licensure changes are working with various state licensure boards and state legislatures to gradually make the legislative and rules changes over the coming years. When approved, the changes will not be effective for eight years so as to not change the rules for current engineering students. The change will also not affect PEs who are already licensed when the law takes effect.

Raising the Bar is good for American business. That's because Raising the Bar is not just about teaching more technical skills, it's about preparing more well-rounded engineers. The added education requirements will also result in engineers who have enhanced leadership, communication, and business skills.

These enhanced skills will help engineers not only solve technical problems, but also define and effectively communicate them, which is the key to modern product and project development and management. The expanded skills will allow engineering firms and agencies to create more effective project teams and generate improved operational efficiencies and service to their clients and society as a whole.

Engineers with enhanced education also make for better employees. Engineers who currently hold a master's degree, on average, have lower turnover, more satisfied clients, and make fewer mistakes that can lead to liability claims.

It's engineering talent that drives our innovation- and knowledge-based economy. Raising the Bar will also allow American industry to better compete on the global playing field with the 46 European Union nations that have already raised their educational requirements for engineering licensure.

In order to improve the quality of our science-based workforce, we as a nation have rightfully focused on improving STEM education at the K-12 level. That's one of the objectives of Engineers Week. In that spirit, engineering leaders from around the nation are working to make sure that efforts at the professional level do the same.

To be entrusted by society to advance and protect the public's health, safety, and welfare and improve the quality of life into the future, the engineering profession must "Raise the Bar."

Burress is the Region 7 Director for ASCE. He has worked the past 16 years for Shafer, Kline & Warren.

## ASB Bridge/ASCE Kiosk

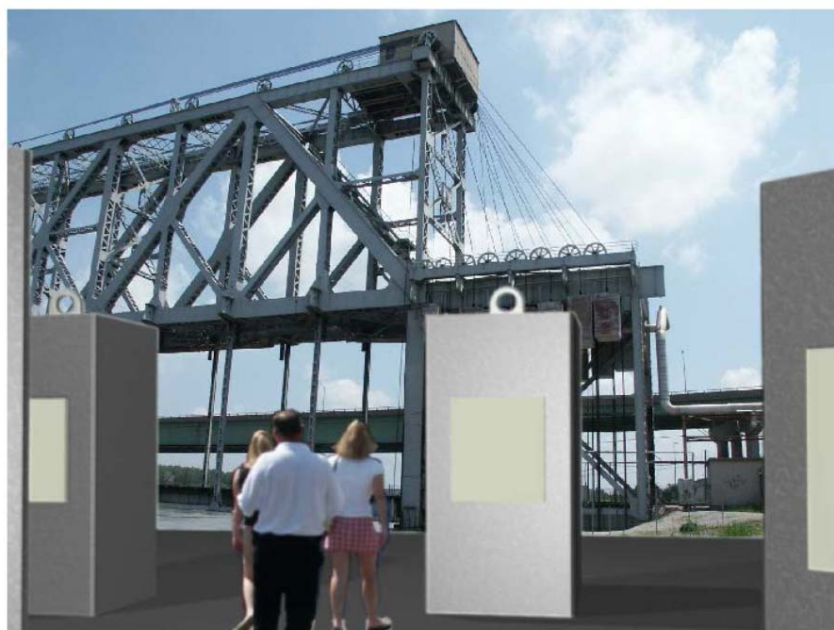


In 1996 the Kansas City Section of ASCE commemorated the Armour-Swift-Burlington Bridge as National Historical Civil Engineering Landmark. At that time, a rendering of the ASB/ASCE Original Kiosk Concept was prepared which include a simple wooden structure with informational panels.

The current Kiosk design consists of using the foundation of the Missouri Pacific Produce Terminal Administration Building (later named the Warf Master Building); place six pre-cast concrete structures that will emulate the ASB Bridge counterweights; and install informational panels, hand railing, and handicap access. These

panels will provide information about the ASB Bridge, the Warf Master Building, Kansas City Riverfront Trail, Kansas City Area Civil Engineering Firms, and identify others that have contributed to the completion of this project.

The Kiosk Committee is working with the Port Authority on finalizing the MOU and some specifics regarding the Project. The Section is currently receiving bids from contractors for the construction of the Kiosk Project. Two new committees have been formed to prepare and procure the informational panels and to coordinate the Commemorative Celebration scheduled for later this year.





## Blue River Nights

Our Friends at the Blue River Watershed Association are inviting ASCE to participate in the annual fundraiser/friend-raiser on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 – 10:30pm. *Blues River Night*. The event will be held at the National Airline History Museum at the downtown airport on the Missouri River. This shall prove to be an entertaining evening, which includes, dinner, drinks, live music, and a live auction.

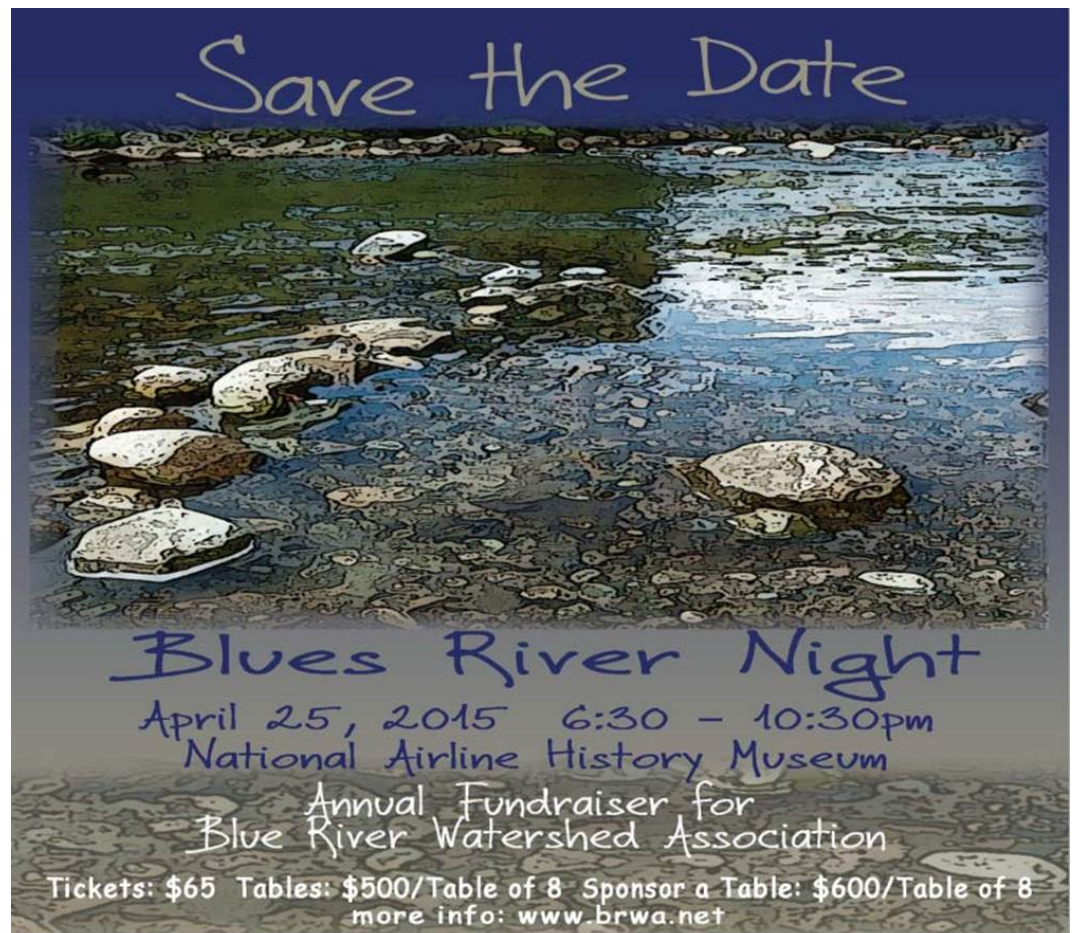
I am hopeful that once again this year the engineering community will be well represented at this STEM event and be willing to sponsor at least one table of eight for \$600. (A table of eight is available for \$500, but will not be recognized as a “sponsored” table.)

BRWA educates students all over the Metro Area and surrounding communities, regarding cause/effect water pollution relationships using the T.R.U.E. Blue curriculum that includes water quality testing at a local stream. The Association provides opportunities for people to implement improvements for water quality mitigating stormwater runoff in their neighborhoods and communities. Last year this group provided programs that reached over 10,000 students and adults. They worked in over 100 schools, in over 20 school districts and with over 250 teachers. They are truly impacting this community!

Most of the elementary and middle school students they work with have never stood beside a river or stream and are fascinated by the sounds and beauty of the water. It is rewarding work to see their faces light up with delight and realize career potential they have never known about previously. There are also plenty of volunteer opportunities!

They rely on community support and cannot achieve their goals without your backing. Your sponsorship would be acknowledged on our website, a kiosk at the event, and table placards.

Please let Lynn Youngblood at [brwa.lynn@gmail.com](mailto:brwa.lynn@gmail.com) know at your earliest convenience if you will be able to sponsor a table at the fundraiser and help Kansas City keep their water clean!  
~Jennifer Taylor



## Diversity Committee

Spotlight: Ms. Bon Marie Gardner

Title: Project Manager & Construction Document Technologist

Company: Kansas City, Missouri – Water Services Department

Tenure: 17 Years

College: Prairie View A&M University, University of Missouri – Kansas City

Spotlight Project: Swope Campus Parking Lot & Sustainable Stormwater Improvements

Scope: The renovation of the existing parking lot and entryway using sustainable solutions. The project will include an education center for middle school students to demonstrate the various sustainable solutions used on site.

Completion Date: June 2015

Key Features: The project will utilize various permeable surfaces such as porous asphalt, permeable concrete, pavers in each of the parking bays, along with grasscrete for heavy truck parking. Installed beneath each parking bay will be drainage systems designed to capture the 10-year storm. Each system will be monitored to determine the effectiveness of each type of surface.

The design also includes a new Plaza area with tables and benches, rain gardens, bioswales and planting areas, electric car charging stations, bike racks, LED lighting, and a walking trail.



## Springfield, MO Branch

We need a dedicated champion in the Springfield area. In 2011, the Section came very close to starting a Branch in the Springfield, Missouri area, but our southern champion became overcommitted with other activities. The Section and Region 7 are in full support of starting a Branch in Springfield, in order for our members to maximize the benefits of their membership and to attract new members. Of our 1,400 members in the Section, there are approximately 120 members in the southern 20 counties of our Section's extents. During the previous push to get the Branch started, we were able to consult with our fellow Topeka Section and their associated Wichita Branch for ideas.

If you are interested or if you know someone in the area that may be interested in this opportunity, please contact the ASCE Kansas City Section Board - Secretary - John Blancett, PE, ENV SP (jblancett@hntb.com or 816-527-2539).

## KU Edwards Campus



Combine your technical abilities with management skills! KU Edwards Campus in Overland Park offers three graduate programs from the School of Engineering to prepare engineers for leadership roles.

- Master of Science in [Engineering Management](#)
- Master of Science in [Project Management](#)
- Master of Engineering in [Project Management](#)

*Travel for work? No problem!* We have distance learning options online for both degrees.

*Are you ready to start soon?* These programs have rolling admission which means you can begin in the fall or spring. Try out a class as a non-degree seeking student. If you have an undergraduate engineering or related degree, the GRE is NOT required.

*You live in Missouri?* The [MetroKC](#) tuition rate offers Missouri residents tuition equivalent to in-state rates within an 11-county area.

KU Edwards Campus is tailored to working professionals which means that all classes are offered in the evenings and students have access to on-site resources.

**[Inquire now!](#)** You'll receive more information about the campus and your degree program of choice.

Questions? Contact Nior Gonzales, recruiter – [nior.gonzales@ku.edu](mailto:nior.gonzales@ku.edu), 913-897-8643



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## Website Sponsorship

The Board would like to invite firms, vendors, manufacturers, contractors or entities to support the Kansas City Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) by purchasing a KCEngineers.org website sponsorship for the coming year.

Our website is actively updated monthly between September and May and shows business card (logo) listings year-round. Our membership totals over 1,400 members within the Kansas City area. This website is the primary outlet for information concerning KC ASCE and is located at <http://www.kcengineers.org>. Additional monthly emails to the membership are also sent, each with a link driving traffic to the website.

We offer two (2) sizes of professional listings:

Regular professional listing as 2-1/2" by 1-1/4" for \$150.00 per year

Large professional listing as 2-1/2" by 2-1/2" for \$200.00 per year

Your payment includes placement of your company logo on the website until February 29, 2016.

Each month the KC ASCE website receives about 50 views per day or 1,500 views per month. Your company logo will receive rotating placement on the main landing page of the website, and permanent placement on our sponsor page. Sponsorship funds raised through this campaign are used to help offset our monthly website fee's, and any balance is put into one of our many activities ranging from community service, to school outreach, or even professional development activities.

If you would like to purchase a sponsorship on the KC ASCE website for the upcoming year, please complete the enclosed order form and return it, along with the sponsorship information, to the ASCE Kansas City Section Board - Secretary - John Blancett, PE, ENV SP ([jblancett@hntb.com](mailto:jblancett@hntb.com) or 816-527-2539). The artwork should be submitted as detailed in the attached form in electronic or in "camera ready" format. If you would like to use the artwork from last year, please indicate on the included form.

Thank you for supporting KC ASCE. Sponsorship from companies such as yours helps ensure our success with programs for the engineering community in Greater Kansas City.

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## Meeting Sponsorship

In August 2014, the ASCE Kansas City Section – Board, announced the Meeting Sponsorship Program, and it has been a success.

This opportunity has allowed civil engineering – firms, vendors, manufacturers, contractors or entities to gain valuable market exposure by actively sponsoring monthly breakfast, luncheon or dinner meetings.

There is a distinct advantage to be recognized at these meetings, where various members of the engineering and construction community gather.

The criterion for the Meeting Sponsorship Program is as follows:

- One (1) Sponsor per meeting

- Sponsor name appears on meeting invitation

- A table space will be available, just inside the entrance to the meeting area, for the Sponsor to arrange a display and have a couple of representatives to make promotional materials available.

- Two (2) lunches for Sponsor representatives

- Sponsor introduction with a 5-minute presentation at the beginning of the meeting

- Display the Sponsor logo on the welcome screen before the program

- A donation of \$300 (check made out to “ASCE Kansas City Section”)

All of the ASCE led joint meetings were sponsored:

- September 10th: DuBois Consultants

- November 4th: ACE Pipe Cleaning

- January 7th: VSM Engineering

These are the pending ASCE led meetings, and the sponsorship:

- April 14th: University of Kansas – Edwards Campus

- May 12th: Stop Midwest Corrosion

There are available openings for the meetings in: September, October and November or 2015, and January, February, April and May of 2016

This program will continue to improve networking familiarity in the metro area. If you have any questions, please contact the ASCE Kansas City Section Board - Secretary - John Blancett, PE, ENV SP (jblancett@hntb.com or 816-527-2539).

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