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Columbia Section Meeting

Date: May 25, 2011

Place: Shilo Inn, George Washington Way, Richland

Meal: Buffet (Chef's choice) - \$15 per person
Please pay cash or check to treasurer at meeting

Topic: Yakima River Basin Water Enhancement Program

Speaker: Ben Floyd of Anchor QEA

Lunch will start at 11:30, and the presentation will begin at Noon.

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President's Remarks:

My months of asking have paid off. We have had two individuals step up willing to serve as next years Columbia Section Secretary/Treasurer, so this will be the first time in several years that we will have a proper ballot with more than one choice.

The first candidate to approach me is Paulie Santos, a PE & PMP with Vista Engineering in Richland. He serves on the Columbia Section Scholarship Committee, helping to decide which applicants get awarded the Howard Preston Scholarships each year. The second candidate I spoke with is Teresa Peterson, an EIT with HDR Inc. in Pasco. She is a recent graduate of Washington State University and is eager to get involved with the local section of ASCE.

I appreciate both of them being willing to serve as officers. For the rest of you it is not too late to run. At our next meeting I will give Paulie and Teresa a minute to introduce themselves to the section and if anyone else is interested in the position then I will give them a minute to introduce themselves as well, although their name will not appear on the ballot, but they will instead be a write-in candidate. The ballots are included in this months newsletter and they will need to be returned to me, either by mail or in person, by the June meeting which will be held June 29th.

Now for this month's meeting. Ben Floyd of Anchor QEA has agreed to come and present on his work with the USBR. Ben has been working on revisions to the Yakima River Basin Water Enhancement Program (YRBWEP). The YRBWEP program makes funding

available to irrigation districts in the Yakima River Basin that follow a set of criteria for water conservation, resulting in upgrade irrigation systems and increased flows in the Yakima River. Ben has been working on revisions to the program that will help it work more smoothly and efficiently. It should be an interesting presentation for water users in the Yakima River Basin and very informative for people hoping to work on YRBWEP related projects.

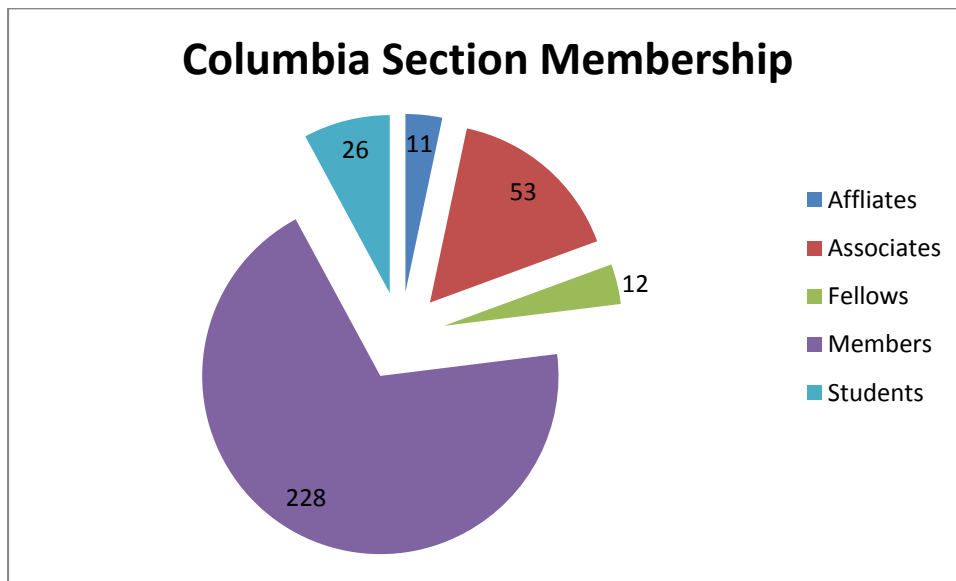
I hope to see you all at our meeting.

Paul Smith
ASCE Columbia Section President

Seminar: Fundamentals of Carbon Storage and Sequestration – PNNL

The Pacific Northwest National Laboratory in cooperation with the Carbon Tech Alliance are providing a seminar on Carbon Storage and Sequestration on June 14th and June 15th. The cost is \$125.00. More information can be found at this website <http://www.carbontechalliance.org/schedule/event/fundamentals-of-carbon-capture-and-sequestration->

Membership Information



Our membership also includes 68 Young Members. Young members are defined as those under 35 years. Many of the sections have a strong young members group. Is there any interest in starting a young members group?

Our membership also includes 11 Life Members, 12 Fellows and 42 Key Contacts. Have you thought about your date when you become a life member or what it takes to become a fellow?

HB 1900 Continuing Education

Bill has not passed the Senate. The Bill did pass the house in February and was referred to the Senate in March.

Volunteer Opportunities

2nd Harvest is sponsoring CANstruction in October at the mall. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Alan Meyer with ConAgra Foods. He can be reached at 509-736 2547 or alan.meyer@conagrafoods.com. They are sponsoring at pre-builder meeting on May 28th at 8AM to get information on the competition. This would be a great opportunity to show off some of our capabilities. See attached information for more information on the activities.

ASCE Columbia Section 2011-2012 Officer Election

President

Chris Ells, JUB []

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Vice President

Paul Knutzen, Meier Inc. []

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Secretary/Treasurer

Paulie Santos, Vista Engineering []

Teresa Peterson, HDR Inc. []

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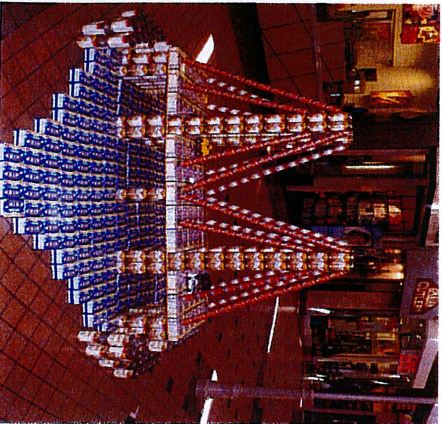
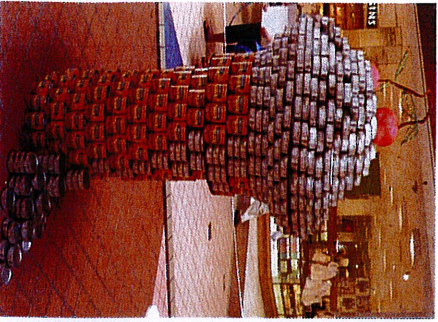
Past President

Paul Smith, MacKay & Sposito, Inc. []

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Some Basics

- Must be built from non-perishable canned food items (boxed or bagged food can be used for accent)
- Build Area Size: 10 feet by 10 feet or less, no more than 8' tall
- No limit to the size of team but only 5 or less can be building at one time within the designated area
- No age restrictions
- Use of labels to portray color scheme
- Participating teams must acquire all the food by means of donation or purchase
- All food used during the event will benefit Second Harvest Tri-Cities
- Structures are displayed Oct. 5 thru Oct. 21!



CAN do Attitude!

BUILD DATE: WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2011 - 7AM
WHERE: COLUMBIA CENTER MALL, KENNEWICK
CLOSING CEREMONY: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2011 - 3PM
REGISTRATION BEGINS: IMMEDIATELY
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: JULY 15, 2011 (UNLESS SLOTS FILL UP)

INFORMATION/BUILDER'S TRAINING MEETING
Wednesday, May 25, 2011 - 8:00 am @ Food Court in the Mall

Second Harvest Tri-Cities
and

ConAgra Foods Lamb Weston presents



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