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JANUARY MEETING

**Matthew J. Thompson, PE - General Asphalt Construction Company
Quad City Botanical Center, Rock Island, Illinois**

Speaker: Mr. Matthew J. Thompson, PE - President of General Asphalt Construction Company

Mr. Thompson will provide a general discussion of changes that have taken place in the asphalt paving industry over the past 15 years. His presentation will include a discussion of why these changes have taken place, and what impact they have on commercial asphalt projects. The presentation will also include general asphalt pavement design issues and common problems with asphalt project designs.

Location: Quad City Botanical Center, 2525 4th Avenue, Rock Island, Illinois

Date: Thursday, January 27

Time: Lunch Meeting, 12:00 Noon

Menu: Buffet style

Cost: \$20.00 per person

Please RSVP via email at brporter@members.asce.org or call 563-355-0702 by Thursday, January 20, 2005.

Directions: From I-74 and River Drive in Moline, head west on River Drive. Turn left onto 44th Street (in front of the entrance to the QC Industrial Center). Turn right onto Railroad Avenue (1st right after the RR tracks). Railroad Avenue merges with Highway 92. Stay on Highway 92 and turn right on 27th Street (you should be able to see the center before you turn).

Announcements

1. The Board has discussed increasing the annual Section dues from \$5 to \$10. The change, if approved, would likely not go into effect until the renewal period at the end of 2005. The Board would like to discuss this proposed change with Section Members at the January meeting.
2. Sending newsletters electronically saves us expenses. The Board would like to shift to electronic distribution only. Currently, approximately half of the Section members receive a hard copy of the newsletter. At the January meeting, the Board would like to discuss transitioning to electronic-only distribution with Section Members.
3. We will be inducting three new life members at this January's meeting. Join us as we honor Pat Burke, George Komisarek, John Schliekelman, and Paul Schwartz.

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