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From Tacoma: I-5 south to Exit 109 (Martin Way); bear right to College Street (the next signal); left on College to Pacific; left on Pacific, entrance to St. Martin's on left.

From Olympia: Choose either Pacific or Sleater-Kinney/College (Exit 108); continue on College St. to Pacific, take a right to the entrance to St. Martin's.

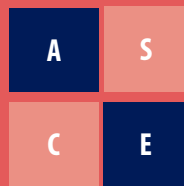


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### Banquet Friday, February 22 Saint Martin's Worthington Conference Center

6:00pm... Wine & Cheese Social  
7:00pm... Dinner  
Baked Cod or Baron of Beef  
7:45pm... Program

\$15.00 per person  
1/2 price for students\*

Program is FREE to all

RSVP by eod, Friday,  
February 18

Jeanette, 360.438.4320 or  
email: jbanter@stmartin.edu

Note: Members with  
reservations who do not  
attend will be billed.

**\*ATTENTION STUDENTS:  
"Half Price Dinner."**

The Tacoma/Olympia Section pays for one half of your dinner. Please advise when you call in your reservation that you are a student.

## Engineering Banquet

### Engineering Societies and the School of Engineering at Saint Martin's sponsor banquet

Keynote Speaker: Mr. Doug MacDonald, Secretary of the Washington State Department of Transportation

Mr. MacDonald will update us on the events and plans for state highway projects, ferry systems, Amtrak and freight rail status. This should be a very interesting program you won't want to miss.

## ASCE 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary



There are many planned activities during the coming year. Visit the national website for details and watch for more in this newsletter. [www.asce.org](http://www.asce.org)

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# President's Corner

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Well believe it or not, the month of February is here! It looks to be an active and eventful month. For starters, the anniversary of the United States' Constitution, Flag Day, both Presidents Washington and Lincoln birthdays, Valentine's Day, Black History Month, the Lenten Season commences, and Chinese New Year are among the events that are celebrated this short, but extremely busy month. Lastly, and certainly not least, "National Engineers Week" is February 17-23. So, are you excited about this month?

As Engineers there are many things we can get involved with this month. As part of our civic duties we can contact our Architect and Engineers Legislative Council (AELC) Committee Representative while the State Legislature is in session and express our concerns about our geographic area infrastructure. And, remember, the West Point Bicentennial Bridge Design Contest is going on through the 28th—there lies another opportunity to get out and support those schools and kids.

Board members of the ASCE Tacoma/Olympia section will attend the Zone IV Leadership Conference and PNC Conference this month in Reno, Nevada. Many of our issues and concerns such as diversity, licensing, educational requirements for professional practice, and district representation will

be topics of discussion. Contact any Board Member if you would like them to take your concerns to these conferences.

A primary goal this month is selecting members to be nominated for our section officers and directors (one) for next year. If you are interested or would like to nominate someone, please contact a member of our Nominating Committee: Michael Hale, Richard Swanson, Tina Nelson, Kathy Hargrave, or Jim Brigham.

I want to extend thanks and appreciation to all members who responded to my letter regarding the formation of a Board of Fellows. The number

of responses was fantastic. I will get back with you about plans for a meeting and further communication regarding formation of this board.

Whew!! Back to simpler matters. Don't forget the ASCE 150th Anniversary is February 17-23. Do your part by attending this month's section meeting—it's going to be another good one.

As always, I look forward to seeing familiar, new and missed faces.

—R. Michael Hale, President,  
Tacoma/Olympia Section



## 6<sup>th</sup> Annual SEAW EDUCATIONAL Trade Show & Seminars

Wednesday February 20<sup>th</sup>  
Best Western Executive Inn, Tacoma/Fife  
5-9 pm

## SAVE THE DATE

### 2002 SEA NW Conference August 22 - 24, 2002

at Campbell's Resort on Lake Chelan

for more information, contact Sue Johnson at [sjohnson@abam.com](mailto:sjohnson@abam.com)

## Calendar of Events

2002

Friday, Feb. 22

Joint Society Meeting at St. Martins College

Wednesday, Mar. 13

Joint Meeting with Military Engineers—NY Twin Towers  
Asarco clean-up—TBA

Tuesday, Apr. 9

St. Martin's—Honors & Awards Night; AELC committee rep; OPAP Award

Tuesday, May 14

Museum of Glass, Tacoma

**Section Meetings** are open and held once a month, September through June. Meetings are generally held on the second Tuesday of the month. Locations alternate between Tacoma and Lacey, and times vary between lunch and dinner meetings.

**Local Board Meetings** are open and generally held the first Monday of the month at 5:30pm. Locations vary. Please check the WEB site, this calendar, or contact the president for confirmation.

### Upcoming Engineering Professional Programs

Effective Writing for  
Technical Professionals

February 20, 25, 27, March 4 & 6, 2002, Seattle

Storm and Surface Water  
Monitoring

March 12 & 13, Seattle

Construction Site Erosion  
and Pollution Control

May 15 and 16, Seattle

For more information, contact  
[ssstrom@u.washington.edu](mailto:ssstrom@u.washington.edu)

### 11<sup>th</sup> Northwest On-site Wastewater Treatment Short Course and Equipment Exhibition

April 3-4, Seattle  
National and international experts present current research and new information related to the small-scale, decentralized sewer and wastewater treatment concept that it is used in approximately one in four homes in North America. Attend this course to learn about new developments in the small scale wastewater management field. For more information, contact: UW Engineering Professional Programs 1.866.791.1275 or E-mail [uw-epp@enr.washington.edu](mailto:uw-epp@enr.washington.edu)

### FE/EIT and PE Exam Refresher Courses

Three courses offer engineers intensive preparation for the State of Washington qualifying examinations in April 2002. Evening courses held on UW campus, Seattle. Features a review of relevant topics for each exam, taught by experienced faculty.

FE/Engineer-In-Training  
Refresher Course

Mon. & Wed., 6:30-9:00pm;  
Feb. 11 - Mar. 28; Early reg. \$495

Mechanical Engineer  
Prep for the PE

Tues. & Thurs., 6:30-9:00pm;  
Feb. 19 - Mar. 28; Early reg. \$645

Civil Engineering Prep  
for the PE

Tues. & Thurs., 7:00-9:30pm;  
Feb. 26 - Apr. 2; Early reg. \$495

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Zone IV Leadership  
Conference,  
Reno, Nevada  
March 1-3

PNC Conference,  
Reno, Nevada  
February 27-March 1

## Jobs Open/ Seeking

resume/ad policy

There is no charge—space is limited. Ads must be received by the 15th of the month prior to the next newsletter. Ad will run for one newsletter only. The applicant must resubmit the ad each month for it to appear in the next newsletter.

The newsletter application is limited to the following: Name, membership status, ASCE section, engineering degree/year, position desired, years of related experience, address to obtain resume, and a daytime phone number.

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