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I-5 to Exit 133 (I-705) to 15th Street; uphill past the Sheraton Hotel; right on Market; go 2 blocks past Municipal Bldg. to St. Helens AV; Landmark Convention Center 3 blocks on the right.

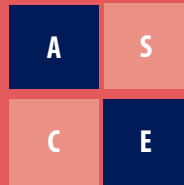


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LUNCH MEETING with the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME)

Wednesday, March 13

Tacoma Landmark Convention Center

11:30am...Social Gathering
Noon...Lunch
Baked Chicken Almondine
Buffet
12:30pm...Program

\$20.00 per person
1/2 price for students*

Program is FREE to all

RSVP by eod
March 11

Susan Melton, 253.572.4975
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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.

ASARCO Site Cleanup Action Plan/Future Development

Joint Meeting with Society of American Military Engineers

Keynote Speaker: Mr. Tom Martin, ASARCO Site Manager

Mr. Martin will update us on the cleanup action plan, activities and schedule for the ASARCO property site located in North Tacoma/Ruston area along Commencement Bay. The costs for the cleanup and the future for the property development should prove interesting for all.

ASCE History and Heritage

Explore ASCE's New History and Heritage Website, the Heritage Knowledge Base



This innovate resource, celebrating the Society's 150th anniversary, allows users to search a database of people and projects important to the development of our nation and the world. The site encourages members and the public to gain an understanding of the history of civil engineering and a valuable insight into our own lives, past and future. Please visit the site and join in the enthusiasm of the past, while getting a glimpse of the future.

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March is coming in like a "Lion." Everything moving forward from the dynamic month of February like a steam roller. **National Engineers Week** proved to be an exciting event as many Sections across the country took part in many activities. And, it was good to mingle with our fellow engineers and listen to a great presentation at our **Joint Society meeting** at Saint Martin's College.

One year ago, on February 28, 2001, northwest Puget Sound was shaken by a 6.8 earthquake. It scared the living daylights out of many of us. It was also an actual reality check for the importance on our infrastructure. While we did not sustain the structural damage and loss of life that some of our neighboring countries have in similar quakes, it shook things that shouldn't have shaken and caused extensive damage and repair costs that we are still repairing and trying to find funds for which to cover.

Unlike the other countries shaken by such catastrophes, we are able to help ourselves. In some cases, it is already forgotten or taken for granted by our citizens. Eventhough, we must not forget the duty that we have to provide and ensure a safe and secure way of life for ALL humanity, the world over.

Recently there have been two organizations implemented to face this the challenge of this seemingly insurmountable task. One is

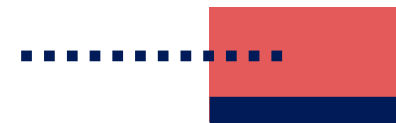
ASCE's Critical Infrastructure Response Initiative (CIRI) and the other is the multi-group The Infrastructure Security Partnership (TISP). Both organizations have committed to doing the work of addressing our vulnerable infrastructure and the security of our environment. You can find out more by reading the ASCE News. There is so much we can all contribute to this tremendous task.

As I mentioned at the beginning of this article, there is much going on in March. On the 16th, The West Point Bicentennial Bridge Design Contest will have its semifinal competition of the top 40 teams. (I have heard that there are about 36,000 entrants in this contest.) Additionally, nominations for Section officers and directors for the coming year need to be submitted. 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. Preparations for our Honors and Awards meeting next month are also in the works. And, don't forget, there should be lots of reading and prepping by those of you taking the licensing exams in April.

As a last note, due to heightened security our joint meeting with the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME) this month won't be held at the military base as in the past. And, as always, I am looking forward to seeing those familiar faces and hope to see some new ones.

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



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

Calendar of Events

2002

Wednesday, Mar. 13

Joint Meeting with Military Engineers—ASARCO cleanup

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

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

11th 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

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

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resume/ad policy

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The newsletter application is limited to the following:

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