



Tacoma/Olympia Section
Civil Engineer
THE NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2008

October Meeting

ASCE Leadership
 Dinner Meeting
Tuesday, Oct. 7th**

** (Please note our October dinner meeting is a week earlier than our normal second-Tuesday meeting.)

**La Quinta Inn,
 Tacoma, off I5,
 downtown Tacoma**

**Social: 5:30pm
 Dinner: 6:00pm
 Program: 6:30pm**

Cost: \$25/person;
 students half/price

RSVP: Contact **Kay Hoke** at
khoke@ci.tacoma.wa.us
 or 253.591.5760 by
Friday, Oct. 3rd

ASCE State-of-the-Society

Presentation by Region 8 Governors:

**Dale Nelson, P.E., Region 8 Governor, Alaska Section and
 Ron Borowski, Region 8 Governor, Seattle Section**

Tacoma-Olympia section is pleased to have two ASCE regional governors present at our October 7th meeting. Having just returned from the semi-annual Region 8 Assembly meeting at Lake Tahoe they will report on key national and regional issues. Come hear directly from these influential engineers who help to shape ASCE policies. Do you have questions about national programs? Bring them and provide feed-back to the governors.

Induction of Officers

At our Section Meeting this month we will induct our new Section Officers for the 2008-2009 term. It is a huge commitment to serve as a Section Officer. You must be willing to devote the time and effort to doing the things that help make our Section function and meet the needs and concerns of our members. The willingness to serve by these individuals is greatly appreciated. Please attend the meeting to show your support.

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“Engineers Make the *Difference*...
 They Provide the *Quality* of Life!”



Bernie Hargrave P.E., PMP

October is the first month of the ASCE yearly cycle. And we begin with the unprecedented opportunity to hear from two Region 8 Governors, **Don Nelson** and **Ron Borowski**. They serve challenging and self-sacrificing roles in ASCE's leadership structure. The role of governor involves the personal interface between local,

regional and national policy discussions within the society. Governors are part of the new leadership that ASCE implemented to strengthen the middle of its increasingly diverse organization. Do you remember the Pacific Northwest Council? Well, ASCE Regions were modeled after the successful PNC model. On paper, regions replaced councils and zones. After much debate, Region 8 was formed as the largest national region that includes most of the western US, including Alaska, Hawaii, Washington, Oregon, Montana, Idaho, Colorado, Utah, Arizona and Nevada.

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138th Annual ASCE Civil Engineering Conference

Engineering: The Workforce of the Future November 6-8, 2008, Pittsburgh PA

Visit website: content.asce.org/conferences/annual2008/index.html

Ron and Dale are challenged as un-paid volunteers to work with our sections, the regional assembly and the smaller national board on a multitude of issues confronting the civil engineering profession today. It is quite an honor for both of them to attend our section meeting on October 7th. Please note our October dinner meeting is a week earlier than our normal second-Tuesday meetings so that Dale, who is traveling from Alaska, can join us.

Hope to see you at La Quinta.

Bernie Hargrave, P.E., PMP

2007-2008 Section President

ASCE Tacoma-Olympia

P.S. For the newsletter this month I chose a Younger Member theme to highlight many topics important to our emerging leaders. Note that a few of the items are time-sensitive with short suspenses.

ASCE Younger Member Leadership Opportunities

Emerging Leaders Alliance Training Workshop

Thurs. October 9—Sat. October 11

To help you do this, ASCE has joined with the Engineer Founder Societies (AIME, ASME, and AChE) to form the Emerging Leaders Alliance. Supported by a grant from the United Engineering Foundation, you are invited to participate in the first Emerging Leaders Alliance training workshop. This will take place on Thursday, October 9, 2008 through Saturday, October 11, 2008 at the Westin Convent Center Hotel in Pittsburgh, PA. This is a great opportunity as workshop fees, 2 nights hotel stay and meals during the program are covered by the Alliance. Only 12 ASCE members will be selected to attend. If interested, please contact Jim O'Brien at jobrien@asce.org or phone 703-295-6055. For more information and to view the program schedule and curriculum, please go to <http://www.emergingleadersalliance.org>

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House Backs Highway and Bridge Aid Urged by ASCE



By overwhelming margins, the House of Representatives has endorsed two bills totaling about \$10 billion to aid work on highways and bridges, initiatives included in ASCE's Action Plan for the 110th Congress. With the plans now in the Senate, Key Contacts and all ASCE members

should contact their senators to press for the bills' passage. House members approved H.R. 6532, a bill that would restore \$8 billion to the Highway Trust Fund to keep it solvent through 2009. The lower chamber also passed the National Highway Bridge Reconstruction and Inspection Act (H.R. 3999), a bill that would improve inspection requirements and authorize \$2 billion to repair deficient bridges.

Hagel Urges Enactment of National Infrastructure Bank

At an ASCE-sponsored infrastructure forum in Washington, U.S. Sen. Chuck Hagel (R-Neb.) reiterated his support for a National Infrastructure Bank, saying America risks falling behind in the global economy if it fails to invest in roads, rails and ports as aggressively as Asian and European nations. Hagel is co-sponsor with Sen. Christopher Dodd (D-Conn.) of a bill to establish the bank, which would sell tax credit bonds to finance major projects that would help remedy the poor condition of the nation's infrastructure. ASCE has made establishment of the bank one of the top priorities in its Action Plan for the 110th Congress. The forum was co-sponsored by Congressional Quarterly.

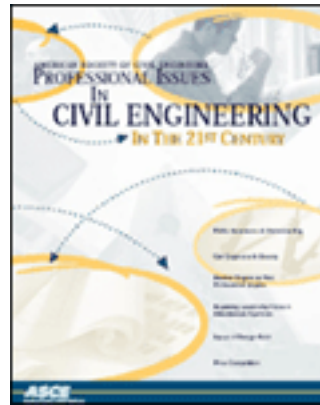


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SECTION CALENDAR and ENGINEERING RESOURCES



Section Calendar

Tacoma/Olympia ASCE Section Meetings/Activities

Meetings are generally held the second Tuesday of each month.

****October 7th** - ASCE State-of-the-Society; LaQuinta Inn, Downtown Tacoma, 5:30pm
**note this meeting is one week earlier than regular meetings (second Tuesday of month)

*DATE/TIMES/LOCATIONS TO BE ANNOUNCED/VERIFIED

Tacoma/Olympia ASCE Board 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.**

<http://sections.asce.org/tacoly/tacoly.htm>

Younger Member Forum Activities And Update

Younger Member Newsletter

www.asce.org/inside/cym_pubs.cfm

For more information on Upcoming Events & Activities for Younger Member programs, contact: **Brook Maples** at brookm@gmail.com

Continuing Ed

For scheduled seminars in your geographic area are available on ASCE's website at www.asce.org/conted/seminars.

These in-depth, practice-oriented programs are produced by ASCE's Continuing Education Department and may be of interest to many ASCE members in your Sections and Branches. We would greatly appreciate if you would consider posting information on these seminars in your newsletters and on your websites.

If you have questions or need assistance, please contact:

Kelly Jarvis, Continuing Education Registrar at kjarvis@asce.org or

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TRANSPEED Courses

For a complete list of courses, visit the website at <http://www.engr.washington.edu/epp/Transpeed/index.html> for specific course descriptions and dates. Click on the specific course link to view the course outline, or contact:

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2008 Professional Development Short Courses

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Positions Wanted/ Positions Open

Job Announcement Number 204608

CONSTRUCTION MANAGER, ASSOCIATE
City of Tacoma, Washington

Open Continuous

Hourly Pay Range: \$27.64 to \$33.61

The City of Tacoma's Public Works Department is seeking Associate Construction Managers that are team players and are able to communicate and work with

the various stakeholders of a project, including construction inspectors, design engineers, and citizens of the City.

How to Apply

Apply online or send your completed application, cover letter and resume to the City of Tacoma, Human Resources Department, 747 Market Street, Room 1336, Tacoma, WA 98402-3764.

Application materials can also be obtained by calling the Human Resources Department at 253.591.5400.



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