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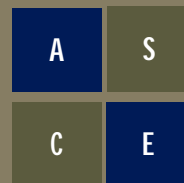
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# Tacoma/Olympia Section ASCE Civil Engineer THE NEWSLETTER

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## Planning, Building and Opening of the Tacoma Art Museum

Courtenay Chamberlin, Director of Communications, Tacoma Art Museum

As Director of Communications, Ms. Chamberlin worked closely with Tacoma Art Museum staff, the public, and construction staff during construction of the new Tacoma Art Museum facility. She will share some of her experiences with us—from early construction to on-going coordination efforts and completion of the project.

Ms. Chamberlin has more than 10 years experience in the marketing and administration field, and began working at the Tacoma Art Museum during the early building stage of the project. She has followed the project from initial construction to completion.

## Nashville 2003 Civil Engineering Conference & Exposition

from ASCE.org

### Just Announced! Structural Look at Opryland Offered at Annual Conference

ASCE's education community has just announced an exciting addition to the Nashville 2003 Civil Engineering Conference & Exposition, Nov. 12-15. The Education Breakfast, a networking and awards event at the conference, will offer an overview of the structural systems of the conference venue, the Gaylord Opryland™ Resort & Convention Center. Ross Bryan Associates, Inc., Nashville, will share their intimate knowledge of the structure, including hotel, convention center, powerhouse, laundry/wardrobe building, central kitchen and nearby golf club. To get an inside engineering look at one of the country's premiere conference facilities, register for ASCE's annual conference today.

### SEPTEMBER MEETING

#### TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 16

Tacoma's Landmark,  
Temple Theatre  
47 Saint Helens Avenue  
Tacoma, Washington

Reception (No Host Bar)  
6:00pm – 6:30pm  
Buffet Dinner  
6:30pm – 7:15pm  
Program  
7:15pm – 8:00pm

Cost: \$25.00/person\*  
\*1/2 price for students

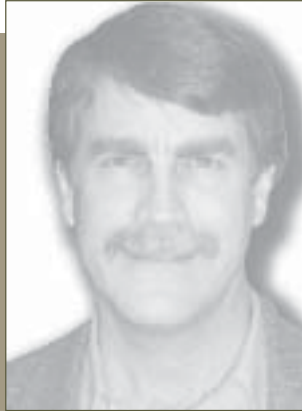
*Classic Caesar Salad  
Bow-tie Pasta Salad w/ Sun-Dried Tomatoes and Pesto  
Cascading Seasonal Fruit  
Assorted Rolls  
Chicken Marsala  
Roasted Baby Red Potatoes with Garlic/Rosemary  
Seasonal Steamed Vegetable Medley  
Dessert: New York Cheesecake with Raspberries*

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## President's Corner by Chris Beckman

I trust everyone had a great summer season filled with backyard barbeques and relaxation. Your Board of Directors has been busy planning for the coming year's activities, in particular the Section booth at the Puyallup Fair. This will be the third year for this outreach effort.



The Board has been deliberating on a project to submit for OCEA consideration at PNC in early September. The Goldsborough Dam Removal & Restoration Project by Tetra Tech Engineers for the Corps of Engineers in Mason County is currently our focus. We hope to schedule this project as the program for an upcoming Section meeting if all works out.

We have some new faces on the board this year. Jason Moline has been elected to fill the

shoes of Gus Fant our outgoing Secretary and newly elected Board Member. Bernie Hargrave will also change hats and step in as our Treasurer. Last but not least, Kathy Hargrave has been chosen to (once again) be in line for the President-Elect position.

We are recruiting one particular person for our Tacoma House Chair position, but I'll keep quiet until we know for certain whether she will accept.

I look forward to October, when these new officers are to be installed officially. I will gladly turn over the reigns to one very competent individual in Connie Linden. I am sure she will be a great President for our section in 2003-2004.

This month's program is to enlighten us on the Tacoma Art Museum project and all that it entails. If it is even half as interesting as the Glass Museum program, then it will be well worth attending.

If this arrives on your desk prior to the first five days of the Puyallup Fair, you will have two opportunities—one is to call Connie, me or any other officer to volunteer for a short time in the booth (free Fair entry ticket), the other is to "Do The Puyallup" and come by the Education barn to check out our "award winning" display. If the September 5th to 9th time frame is past, then I hope you had a good time visiting. Should you have missed the Fair altogether, then maybe you should pencil-it-in for next year's schedule!

This summer's warm weather has been nice for outdoor activities, but a little TOO DRY for the firefighters trying to keep ahead of the various brush and forest blazes.

For those of you who had time for some summer-time reading, how about writing a short book review for insertion in our newsletter? You can share a thought or

two with your fellow engineers and maybe steer us toward a good book or two.

Lastly, it is not too early to think about the National Annual meeting in Nashville. Susan Melton is going as our Section representative. Share your opinions on the society operations or other issues with her so she can take them to the rest of ASCE.

—Regards,

Chris H. Beckman, P.E.  
Tacoma/Olympia Section  
President '02-'03

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## Positions Open/Wanted

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.**

Submit information (by the 15th of the month) to:  
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## Section Calendar

### Meetings/Programs

**October 14**, Saint Martin's College (Lacey); Goldsborough Creek Dam Removal and Stream

**November 11**, Tacoma; TBD

**December**; Joint Meeting w/ Seattle Section (hosted by Seattle Section); Tukwila; Puget Sound Near Shore Project

**Upcoming Events**  
**November 12 – 15**, Civil Engineering Conference and Exposition 2003; Nashville, Tennessee

\*DATE/TIMES/LOCATIONS ARE TO BE VERIFIED

**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.

## Positions Open/Wanted on the WEB

Let your section website work for you! It is our section policy to provide space on our web site for Positions Open and Positions Wanted for our members. This is provided as a free service. Send employment information and short resumes to **Richard Swanson**.

## TRANSPEED Courses

The Winter/Spring TRANSPEED Schedule Please view our website at <http://www.engr.washington.edu/epp/transpeed> for specific course descriptions and dates. Questions? Call: **Christy Pack**, Program Manager, UW Engineering Professional Programs 10303 Meridian AV N #301 Seattle, WA 98133 1.866.791.1275 toll free 206.543.5539 206.543.2352 FAX

**Basic Roadway Geometric Design:** August 13-15, Seattle

**Determining Contract Working Days:** August 28, Seattle

**Managing Scope, Schedule and Budget:** September 10-12, Seattle

**Urban Street Design:** September 29-October 1, Seattle

**Hydrology and Basic Hydraulics:** October 1-2, Seattle

**Determining Contract Working Days:** October 7, Lakewood

**Roadway Culvert Hydraulic Design:** October 14-15, Seattle

**Roundabout Design Concepts and Guidelines:** October 15-17, Seattle

**Fundamentals of Traffic Engineering:** October 15-17, Lacey

**Bridge Foundation Design:** October 21-23, Seattle

**Legal Liability For Transportation Professionals:** October 22-23, Lacey

**Technical Communication For Transportation Professionals:** October 28-29, Seattle

**Traffic Signal Design:** November 5-7, Seattle

**Pubic Works Construction Project Management:** November 6-7, Seattle

## 2003 Fall Prof. Development Courses

Please log onto the web site <http://www.engr.washington.edu/epp/cee/ntc> for a complete description of the course and registration information, or call us at: Engineering Professional Programs, University of Washington, phone: 206.543.5539 (fax) 206-543-2352 or (toll free) 1.866.791.1275  
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**Use of Constructed Wetlands for Improving Stormwater Quality**  
September 30—Seattle

**Writing for Success**  
October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, Kirkland

**Hand-Built Stream Habitat**  
October 16—West Seattle

**Improving Stormwater Management Using Low Impact Development Practices**  
Sunday, October 26—Portland

**Mentoring and Coaching Workshop**  
October 30, 2003—Portland

**Wetland and Upland Habitat Restoration Design**  
November 3 and 4, 2003—Seattle

**Storm and Surface Water Monitoring**  
December 2 and 3—Seattle