Columbia Section Monthly Meeting

Date: April 18, 2012
Place: O’Callahan’s Restaurant—Directions
Shilo Inn, 50 Comstock Street, Richland WA 99352
Meal: Buffet (Chef’s Choice) - $15 for members and non-members. Please pay cash or check to treasurer at meeting.
Topic: Keene Road Railroad Bridge Project
Speaker: David McMullen, PE
Lunch will start at 11:30 am. The presentation will begin at noon.
RSVP to: Paul Knutzen (509) 735-1589 ptknutzen@meierinc.com

President’s Remarks

Hi everyone,

This month we’re excited to hear from the City of Richland and their consultant David McMullen of KPFF. David will discuss the Keene Road Railroad Bridge Project.

David is a graduate from the University of Illinois in 1983. His career began in the Bridge & Structures Office of the Illinois Department of Transportation. From there David worked at a consulting firm in St. Louis for 10 years. Notable projects in St. Louis were the Lock and Dam 26 replacement over the Mississippi River and the first modified single point urban interchange in the country. He’s been with KPFF Consulting Engineers in Seattle for the last 15 years and currently heads the bridge group. At KPFF he focused his efforts on bridge projects for local counties and cities. Notable work for KPFF has been the Helix Pedestrian Bridge, which received many awards including international recognition in Venice, Prague, and Vancouver.

Stay tuned for next month, we’re looking to have a joint meeting with the Yakima Branch somewhere in between the Tri-Cities and Yakima. If anyone has any ideas for future speaking topics feel free to contact me or Paul. Have a great week.

Sincerely,

Chris Ells, PE
ASCE Columbia Section President
KAPLAN Offers Columbia Section Members Publication Discounts

Columbia Section recently partnered with Kaplan AEC Professional Publications to offer their members a 20% discount on all materials purchased through our exclusive web portal. Use this web address when looking to purchase items such as Civil PE Review, LEED v3 Preparation, among many others.


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Those among our ranks now have an opportunity to study for the PE in style with a new set of KAPLAN PE Study Aids. If you’re interested in loaning the books for the next session of the PE Exam in October contact Paul Knutzen to express your interest. All materials will be free of charge just for being a Section member. However if there is great demand we will have a drawing to see who gets it for the first six month period. Be prepared to pass the PE test on the first attempt, with help from ASCE Columbia Section and Kaplan.

Columbia Section Calls for Officer Nominations

Elections will be held for Columbia Section officer’s in June. If you are a current Section paying dues member you are eligible to run for office. If you’re interested in having your name on the ballot, please email Teresa Peterson so you can be added to the ballot!

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Columbia Section Newsletter Changes

We hope you like the changes to the newsletter this year so far! Starting in May new newsletter editor Gerald Smith will take over official duties as newsletter editor.

As always if any member has anything news worthy that they would like to share to our Section membership please let the newsletter editor know so it can be published.