

RE: CIVIL AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING NEWSLETTER, VOL. 14
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The last day of Fall semester classes will be Friday, December 8th. Good luck to all of you as we near the end of the semester!

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1. ASCE - AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CIVIL ENGINEERS

Charity Poker Tournament – Wed, 11/29, 5 pm, 7th Floor Davis
Come out for our Semi-Annual Poker Tournament! Play with your fellow students and faculty to raise money for Habitat for Humanity and win awesome prizes! The grand prize is a \$100 gift certificate good at Amazon.com. Space is limited to the first 55 paid participants so hurry and sign up in the ASCE office! The cost to play is \$10 and food will be available for purchase.

Sports Friday – Fri, 12/1, 3 pm, Memorial Glade
Start your weekend off with a game of ultimate!

Holiday Wine & Cheese Social – Fri, 12/1, 9:30 pm, 2530 Dwight Way, Apt 8
Celebrate the upcoming holiday with us! Please bring with you a can of food for charity donation. Also, if you're over 21, bring wine, otherwise bring cheese and crackers.
Questions? Email Nalat at president@calasce.org.

High School Basswood Bridge Competition – Fri, 12/1, 9 am, Oakland High
ASCE Members, we need you! Want to convince more High School students to become civil engineers? Here's your chance. We are visiting Oakland High School physics class to lead a Basswood Bridge Competition. Help us make the competition more fun and challenging! Contact outreach@calasce.org if you are interested.

Weekly Social – Wed, 12/6, 1 – 3 pm, 7th Floor Davis
Take a break from your classes and spend some time getting to know your classmates. There will be FREE FOOD and there is a social EVERY WEDNESDAY!

Become a Member
Feel free to stop by the office (339 Davis), or the general meeting, to pick up a membership form. Dues are \$8/semester or \$15/ year.

Snacks in the ASCE Office
ASCE is now selling candy and drinks for 50 cents and frozen food for \$2 in the office. Drop by for a fast and cheap snack!

Career Fair Committee

We need a committee to plan our ASCE/XE CEE Spring Career Fair on March 1, 2007. Last year we had over 50 CEE companies attend. Join and get to know the companies before everyone else! Contact Jeffrey at industry@calasce.org if you have any questions.

For more information on these events, or to pick up and drop off a membership form, stop by our office in 339 Davis Hall or visit www.calasce.org.

2. CHI EPSILON

1. XE STUDY GROUPS

Study Room schedule:

When: Tuesdays & Wednesdays

Time: 2-5 PM

Where: 544 Davis Hall

As the semester draws to a close, what better place to study for your last midterms and start preparing for the final exams. Individual help provided on a drop in basis or join one of the study groups listed below:

Study Group schedule:

E 36 Wednesday, 2-3

CE 60 Tuesday, 2-3

CE 100 Tuesday, 4-5 and Wednesday 3-4

CE 130 Tuesday, 3-4 and Wednesday 4-5

2. SEAONC PRESENTATION, WED 11/29, 5:30 PM AT Rutherford & Chekene STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING STRATEGIES TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE DESIGN

The presentation is a survey of sustainable design as it relates to the practicing structural engineer. It includes a discussion of how the use of sustainable materials and variety of structural configurations can maximize material efficiency and create design synergies. Sustainable design as it applies to performance-based seismic engineering is also presented. This presentation is the work product of the sustainable design committee's first year and compliments the paper that was presented at the 2006 SEAOC Convention.

Who: Grace Kang (past committee co-chair) & Alan Kren (present committee chair)

When: Wednesday, November 29th at 5:30pm

Where: Rutherford & Chekene

55 Second St, Suite 600 (cross Market)

San Francisco, CA

Light refreshments will be served. Please RSVP to Emma Goodson at egoodson@ruthchek.com.

3. 3RD GENERAL MEETING, THU 11/30, 5 PM AT 502 DAVIS

Uri Eliahu, Chi Epsilon Chapter Honor Member and President of ENGEIO, will be coming to talk about political aspects of Civil Engineering, followed by nomination of candidates for Spring 2007 XE Officers! This time, in addition to the 12 normal officer positions, we will also be having an opening for Pacific District Chair. Next November Berkeley

will be hosting the annual conference, and we're looking for someone to head this up.

4. JOBSITE FIELDTRIP TO THE INFINITY TOWERS, FRI 12/1, 9AM

AGC is organizing a fieldtrip to visit the Infinity Towers in San Francisco. It is a multi-use, 4 building high-rise being constructed by Webcor. We will leave the Downtown Berkeley BART station at 9AM. Please sign up in the XE/ASCE office or email Lauren Huey at lmhuey@gmail.com

5. FRISBEE FRIDAY! FRI 12/1, 3PM AT MEMORIAL GLADE

This Friday! With all the different sports events this semester, sure we miss the good old Frisbee Friday.

Upcoming events:

1. ELECTION, TUE 12/5, 5 PM AT 502 DAVIS
2. INITIATION, FRI 12/8, 6 PM
3. BANQUET, FRI 12/8, 7:30 PM AT INTERNATIONAL HOUSE

3. INCREASE IN LATE REGISTRATION FEE

Effective Spring 2007, the Late Registration Fee will increase to \$150 and will be charged to all students who are not officially registered by Friday of the third week of instruction (February 2 for the spring semester).

This represents a major change in how late fees are being assessed. Currently, students are charged separate \$50 late fees for not paying registration fees by the first payment deadline and for not enrolling in classes by the third week of instruction. The new process consolidates these fees into one. At the same time, it provides students more time to pay their fees before the late fee is assessed

4. ASSOCIATE GENERAL CONTRACTORS (AGC)

The 3rd General Meeting: The last general meeting of the semester will be Tuesday, November 28 at 7pm at 2530 Dwight Way Apt 8. It's potluck style, so email Lauren Huey (lmhuey@gmail.com) if you'd like to come and bring a dish! Learn about your UC Berkeley AGC chapter and what we have to offer you!

Jobsite Fieldtrip to the Infinity Towers: AGC is coordinating a fieldtrip to visit the Infinity Towers in San Francisco, which will be a mixed-use high-rise residential building with great views of the Bay! Please email Lauren Huey (lmhuey@gmail.com) or sign up in the ASCE/XE office if you would like to attend.

5. EMPLOYMENT

The Alaska DOT Bridge Section is currently looking for entry-level engineers to work in the Bridge Section office. The job openings require that the applicant have either an advanced degree or some past engineering work experience. We offer a good health and benefits package as well as a good work environment with excellent opportunities for advancement. The Juneau area is full of recreational opportunities such as boating, hunting, fishing, skiing, hiking, camping, and other outdoor activities.

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