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Wichita Society of Professional Engineers NEWSLETTER

President's Message

Happy September!

I hope you all enjoyed the summer and are settling in nicely to the routine of fall. A reminder with school back in session there's more traffic back on the streets; including younger drivers, school buses and kids walking to and from school. Please drive safely and be aware of your surroundings, especially in School Zones.

There is a lot going on within our industry and a lot to be excited about. There continues to be a lot of support for the Federal Infrastructure Bill as it was passed through the Senate earlier this month and it moves on to the House for their consideration. Closer to home, KDOT is gearing up for the next round of Local Consult Meetings to engage with the public across the states and get their input on what transportation needs are important to them and their communities. Check out the link to find the schedule for the meetings: [KDOT Local Consult](#). I encourage you all to take part to hear how things are going with the IKE Program and where things are headed.

We have a number of opportunities to get involved with upcoming events. MATHCOUNTS is planning to return to hosting in-person competition next February. We are always looking for volunteers to help with scoring/judging. It's a great way to get involved and give back to the next generation of kids; look for more details to come on the event. Next June we will be hosting the state conference and we're looking for a few more folks to help on the planning

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committee. It's a good way to get involved and help put on a conference that can really showcase all Wichita has to offer. If you're interested, reach out to any of the board members for more details on either of these opportunities.

The next several months are jam-packed with events put on by our local Chapter and at the State level. It all started last week with a night out at the WindSurge – thanks to everyone who made it out; it was a fun evening. The coming weeks include the KSPE Wichita PEG Seminar, BBQ Bingo – our annual STEM fundraiser, and our Awards Banquet to recognize achievements within the industry. October kicks off early with a breakfast meeting where we will hear all the latest happenings in the legislature with our legislative update. See the schedule of events for all the details!

Looking forward to seeing you all soon!

Jacob Borchers, PE, PMP

WSPE President

MATHCOUNTS Volunteers Needed!

We are excited to have MATHCOUNTS back in person this year! Mark your calendars for February 5th, 2022. We will be at Wichita Collegiate again this year, and we need volunteers to be graders and to proctor the tests. Contact Jessica Rhein for more information.



2022 KSPE Conference Planning Volunteers



The Conference Planning committee is reaching out to the society to see if anyone would like to join the committee. The conference is in Wichita next year and we want to build upon the previous success of holding it here locally. Please reach out to Jacob Borchers if you are interested. PS – Maybe a cornhole tournament has turned into a tradition after the last conference in Manhattan? We shall see...

This Day in Engineering History

September 7th, 1936 – The Boulder Dam (now Hoover Dam) began operation. The dam required 4.4 million cubic yards of concrete. To control the chemical heat from the setting concrete, the team installed 582 miles of 1-inch steel pipe that connected to a refrigeration plant in efforts to circulate ice water.



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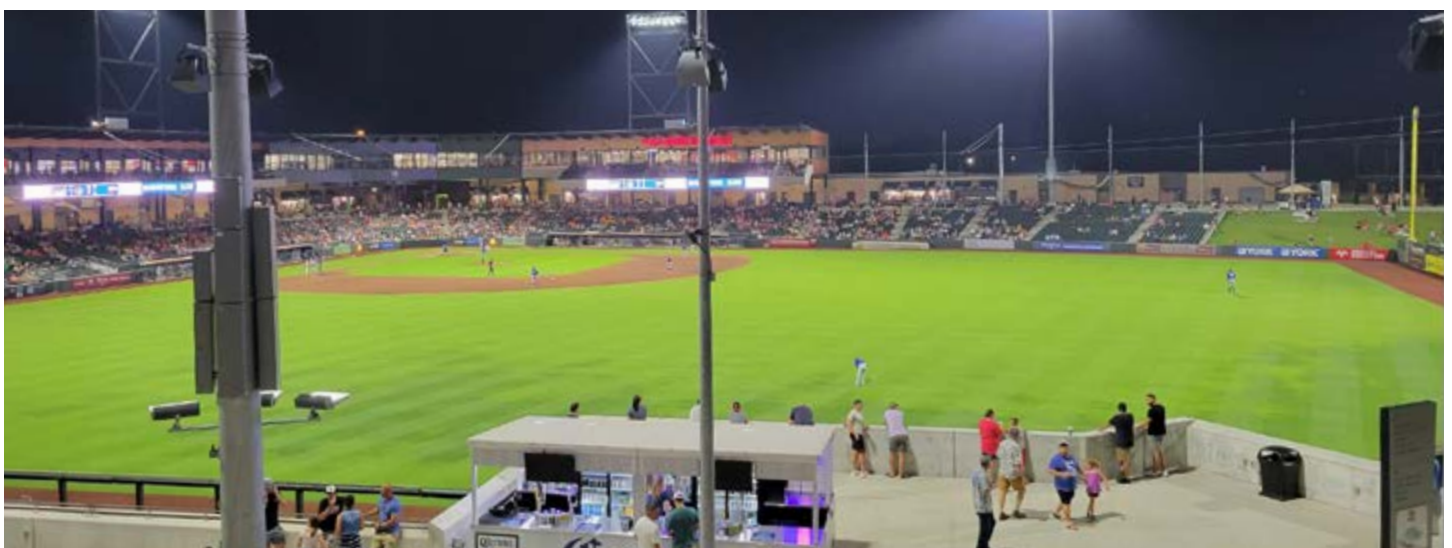
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Recent Events



August 27th, 2021 – Wind Surge Construction Night

Wichita Construction Projects



City of Wichita – Harry Street Bridge



Wichita WWTP#2 – Polymer Feed Pumps

UPCOMING EVENTS

SEP

15
WED

KSPE Wichita PEG Seminar
Wichita, KS

OCT

1
FRI

EFK Golf Tournament

SEP

17
FRI

BBQ Bingo

OCT

7
THU

Legislative Breakfast

SEP

23
THU

Awards Banquet

OCT

21
THU

Social Event



Chapter Business



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