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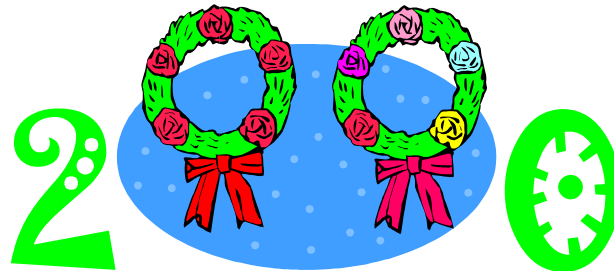
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MICHIGAN SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS
Oakland Chapter (together with Detroit Metro and Fairlane)
Presents:



MSPE Holiday Party at Meadowbrook Hall

Friday, December 15, 2000

7:00 PM – 11:00 PM

Tour of Meadowbrook Hall: 7:00 PM

Dinner & Entertainment: 8:00 PM

Mark your calendars for a great evening of friends & festivities!

\$60.00/person

Valet parking and coat check included

Hosted Bar

For reservations – Call, Fax or E-mail the following:

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Please make your reservations as soon as possible, but no later than 12/8/00



MICHIGAN SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS DETROIT METRO CHAPTER

President's Message

By Carey J. Suhan, P.E.

Election 2000

Election day is just around the corner! As you prepare to cast your vote think of your profession. Both MSPE and NSPE work very hard to identify legislative issues that affect the profession which in turn effects each member personally. Vote for the candidates that are supportive of licensing laws and understand the importance of competent licensed engineering practice. The following is a list of candidates in the Detroit Metropolitan area that are supportive of our profession and are endorsed by MSPE:

Bruce Patterson (R) - Canton
Andrew Raczkowski (R) - Farmington Hills
Gloria Schermesser (D) - Lincoln Park
Michael Switalski (D) - Roseville
Laura M. Toy (R) - Livonia
David Woodward (D) - Madison Heights
Hansen Clarke (D) - Detroit
Kwame M. Kilpatrick (D) - Detroit
George W. Mans (D) - Trenton
John Pappageorge (R) - Troy

Nancy Kuarles (D) - Southfield
Andrew C. Richner (R) - Grosse Pointe Park
Mark Shulman (R) - West Bloomfield
Samuel "Buzz" Thomas (D) - Detroit
Paul Wojno (D) - Warren
Patricia "Pan" Godchaux (R) - Birmingham
Gilda Jacobs (D) - Huntington Woods
Janet L. Kukuk (R) - Macomb
William J. O'Neil (D) - Allen Park

Programs

Please plan on attending the November 9th program about the renovations at the Renaissance Center. We were delayed a bit in firming up the location of the meeting so please make your reservations. Get a first hand account from the owner, architect/engineer and contractor of the exciting renovations currently under construction. This is a great opportunity to preview what the area will look like during the national meeting, July 27 through August 1, 2001.

While I'm on the subject, we are in need of numerous volunteers to help out during the national meeting (hopefully you have already heard this from me). The steering committee is doing an excellent job of organizing the entire event. Mayor Dennis Archer has agreed to speak and the committee is busy arranging other notable speakers. With all of the activities and programs planned, additional help will be required at the event to keep it running smoothly for attendees from all over the country. Volunteers will benefit from **free** parking and **free** meeting attendance during your volunteer period. Take this opportunity to be a part of the national meeting by contacting me at (248) 588-6200 or csuhan@tectest.com.

The joint Detroit Metro-Oakland Chapter (other chapters too!) holiday party will be December 15 at Meadowbrook Hall. Meadowbrook is truly a wonderful venue for the holiday party. The home is always beautifully decorated for the holidays to make this a memorable event for members and their guests. I will look forward to seeing you there!

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A Productive Regional Meeting! by Barry A. Buschmann, P.E.

On September 28th we had an MSPE Southeastern Regional Meeting in Detroit to discuss mutual efforts and concerns for MSPE (Detroit Metro, Southeast, and Fairlane Chapters). The meeting was well attended by representatives from the Detroit Chapter, the Fairlane Chapter and the Southeastern Chapter. One area in which we have been asked to assist is the **2001 NSPE Annual Convention & Exposition** in Detroit, Michigan. This National Convention will be held at the Detroit Renaissance Marriott Hotel and will run from Thursday, July 26, 2001 to Sunday, July 29, 2001. We will need plenty of volunteers to help the Detroit Metro Chapter make this a spectacular regional event! Preliminary information is provided in this newsletter and additional information will be forthcoming as we come closer to the event.

ACEC/M & MSPE Engineering & Surveying Excellence Awards

The Detroit Metro Chapter is proud to nominate the following individuals for the ACEC/M & MSPE Engineering & Surveying Excellence Awards, which will be presented at the Tiger club at Comerica Park on February 24, 2001:

Outstanding PE in Private Practice:	Gar M. Hoplamazian, P.E., Albert Kahn Assoc, Inc.
Outstanding PE in Government:	David L. Dulong, P.E., U.S. Army Corps of Engr.
Outstanding PE in Industry:	Michael J. Vinarcik, P.E., Ford Motor Co.
Outstanding PE in Construction:	Joseph P. Mulville, P.E., Walbridge Aldinger Co.
Outstanding PE in Education:	James L. Hanson, Ph.D., P.E., Lawrence Tech. Univ

How Much Are You Worth?

Do you ever wonder if you're getting paid what you're worth? Find out how your income stacks up with your peers' earning power, using the criteria of your choice in an online search of the NSPE 2000 Professional Engineer Income and Salary Survey. Please log onto NSPE.org for additional details.



**MICHIGAN SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS
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Presents:

**Renaissance Center Renovations for
General Motors Headquarters**

November 9, 2000, 6:30 p.m.

Get the Inside Story from the:

- **Owner (General Motors):**
Leonard P. Marszalek AIA, Manager
- **Development Manager (Hines Interest, Ltd):**
Larry Peszek, Vice President Construction
- **Architect/Engineer (Skidmore, Owings and Merrill LLP):**
Dane Rankin, Associate
- **Contractor (Turner Construction):**
Ron Dawson, Project Executive

PLACE: Meeting and Dinner will be held at Sindbad's Restaurant
(South end of St Clair St, south of E. Jefferson, immediately east of
Water Works Park, and west of Conner)
100 St Clair Avenue, Detroit, Michigan (313) 822-7817

MENU: Boneless Breast of Chicken Parmesan
Or Vegetarian Plate upon request
Includes Salad, Rolls, Potato, Beverage, Dessert

COST: \$25.00/Person

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