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## Southeastern Branch

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### **Board Meetings**

Board meetings are held monthly and are tentatively scheduled for the first Thursday of each month. The November meeting will be held on November 6, 2003. The Board meets at 7:00 a.m. at Nellos Restaurant in Royal Oak on 25994 Woodward Avenue, just north of I-696. All members are welcome to attend the Board meetings.

The January Board Meeting was held on Thursday, January 8, 2004. The annual programs of the Annual Meeting and of the Student Night, have been completed. Other meetings have also been scheduled by the various committees and are listed in the Upcoming Programs and Events. This is posing to be a busy year for meetings. There is still the month of March and May to schedule meetings by other committees.

The Diversity committee is planning on a brief presentation during dessert at the Student Night event. Each year the SouthEast Branch endeavors to send a high school student to a summer program (1-2 week) at a sponsoring University. This summer the student will be going to a program offered by U of M. The student is selected by a local supporting organization.

### **Website**

The Branch has its own website and name that has been secured for the next ten years.

**ASCE Southeast Michigan branch website**

is up and running at:

[www.ascesoutheast.org](http://www.ascesoutheast.org)

and also ASCE Nationl's website at:

<http://branches.asce.org/semichigan/index.htm>

These websites includes the latest newsletter and program flyers. Our goal is to go to paperless communication with the website as our main vehicle to disseminate branch information. ***Check it out!!***

### **Awards and Nominations**

It is the time of year to write up the persons and projects that were outstanding in the past year. Along with the newsletter are the various categories that are open for nominations for persons and projects the have been noteworthy for the accomplishment and the quality of life improvement that was created. The categories for the awards are: the Franklin Meyers Outstanding Civil Engineer; Project of the Year; the Quality of Life (project) and the outstanding Younger Civil Engineer of the Year. The guidelines for the awards have been enclosed with the newsletter for your reference. The award nominations for the four categories need to be submitted to Mr. Thomas Porter, Malcolm Pirnie, Inc., 400 Monroe Street, Suite 280, Detroit, MI 48226. All nominations must be received by March 25, 2004 to allow time to review the entries and order the award plaques.

### **Upcoming Programs and Events**

#### **Technical Presentations**

There are several presentations scheduled for this year and include the following:

1. Student Night (February)
2. History & Heritage (March/April)
3. Annual Meeting (May)
4. Visteon Village Van Buren Twp.(Apr)
5. Dispute Resolution (Feb)

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Watch the website and the newsletter for details on this program and possibly others as they are being finalized.

**Dates to Remember**

Annual Student Night.....	February 3, 2004
Dispute Resolution: Concepts and Current Practice	February 9, 2004
Visteon Village Van Buren Township	April 6, 2004
Elizabeth Lake San. P.S. Tour.....	TBD.April, 2004
History & Heritage Meeting.....	TBD March 2004
Annual Meeting .....	May 1, 2004
CYM Golf Outing.....	TBD June 2004