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Southeast Michigan Branch

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Dear ASCE Southeast Michigan Branch members:

The Detroit River International Crossing program in October was a huge success drawing over 80 attendees.

Looking forward into the winter months, I'd like each of you to consider projects and programs of interest to our group. As site visits are a bit more challenging this time of year, this is a perfect time for indoor programs. This is also a good time to start planning spring programs. Site visits are a valuable experience for all engineers to continue their professional development outside the office. A program procedures planning guide is included in this month's mailing. Please use this guide to get the wheels in motion on upcoming programs.

As we close in on 2008, I urge everyone to reflect on 2007 and consider nominating a peer or co-worker for the annual SE Michigan Branch awards. Attached to this month's newsletter is the information needed to submit a name or project for consideration in one of the following awards: Young Civil Engineer of the Year Award, the Franklin D. Meyers Outstanding Civil Engineer of the Year Award, the Outstanding Civil Engineering

Project of the Year Award, and the Quality of Life Project of the Year Award.

In order to be eligible for the Michigan Section Awards, Nominations must first be submitted to the SE Branch.

Award Nominations must be received by March 21, 2008

Thank you!

Reminder: This newsletter is now distributed entirely by email, so please remember to update your email address if it has changed, or will soon be changing.

Please feel free to send me notification of your new email address as editor of this year's newsletter and President Elect – Matt Bacon PE.
(matthew_bacon@urscorp.com).

Board Meetings

Monthly Board meetings take place the first Friday of each month. As always, everyone is welcome to attend the Board's monthly meetings to discuss ideas and get involved in the Branch. If you are interested, the next meeting will be held on Friday December 7, 2007 at 7 am at Nello's in Royal Oak. Nello's is located at the Southeast corner of Woodward Avenue and Lincoln Street.

CYM Corner

Beth Kilbourne, P.E., CYM President

CYM Quarterly Event: The CYM is planning a Whirlyball event on Thursday November 15th in Novi from 6:30pm - 9pm. The CYM will provide appetizers and an open bar (pop, beer and wine). We are hoping to get some new faces so we are highly encouraging branch members to come and bring a young engineer. The CYM is hoping to have enough Branch members in attendance to organize a head to head battle between young and old.

Regional Meeting: The 2008 Central Region Younger Member Council Meeting will take place Jan 25-26th in Austin, TX. The event coincides with the Workshop for Student Chapter Leaders and the Workshop for Section and Branch Leaders. The CYM and the Branch each be sponsoring one member to attend the event. CYM is considering sponsoring additional members to attend the event. Registration is due by October 30. Registration is \$170 per person. Anyone interested in attending the event should contact me via email at the address provided below.

Annual Meeting: The 2007/2008 Annual Meeting is tentatively set for May 3, 2008. The event will likely take place on a Riverboat Cruise along the Detroit River. The CYM is looking for event speakers and/or topics of interest. If you have ideas about either a location or speaker/topic please contact me at the email address provided below.

The next CYM meeting will be held on December 19th at 6:30 PM at Roosevelt's in Farmington Hills. As always, ASCE

members and Student Chapters are welcome to attend.

If you are interested in more about what CYM does or are thinking about getting involved yourself, check out the website at <http://www.ascesoutheast.org/cym/cym.htm> or contact Beth Kilbourne at the following email address:

bkilbourne@spaldingdedecker.com.

Branch E-Mail / Website / Newsletter Info

Please continue to update you email address with your current President-Elect.

The branch website is updated monthly and can be found at www.ascesoutheast.org .

The Southeast Branch of the American Society of civil engineers publishes the Branch Newsletter monthly. Please contact Matt Bacon via email at

matthew_bacon@urscorp.com, with questions on placing information in the newsletter and for any suggestions or comments. Thank you.

**SEE THE FOLLOWING
PAGES FOR SE BRANCH
DATES TO REMEMBER
AND UPCOMING
PROGRAM INFO!**

Dates to Remember

CYM/Branch Fall Event – Whirlyball (Whirlyball Novi, Novi)	November 15, 2007
December SE Michigan Branch Board Meeting (Nello’s, Royal Oak)	December 7, 2007
CYM monthly meeting – (Roosevelt’s, Farmington Hills)	December 19, 2007
Northwest Connector Program (Location – TDB)	January, 2008
Central Region Younger Member Council Meeting (Austin, TX)	January 25-26, 2008
31 st Annual Student Night (University of Detroit Mercy – Callahan Hall)	February 19, 2008
SE Michigan Branch Annual Award Nominations Due	March 21, 2008
SE Michigan Branch Annual Meeting (Location - TBD)	May 8, 2008
13 th Annual CYM Golf Outing (Greystone Golf Course, Romeo)	June 26, 2008
2 nd Annual Diversity Conference (Detroit)	October 2008