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Please send any articles or ideas for the next newsletter to the current branch president as they become available. .

Happy Holidays, ASCE WISE!

One of the trends I kept hearing about this Christmas season is the *Want, Need, Wear, Read* gift giving guide. So, the ASCE WISE Board is proud to present you with four gifts to close out 2023...

*Something you Want...*who doesn't want to get more involved in ASCE? We have several Board positions available. You can also volunteer for upcoming events like Future Cities, Contrapt, or STEM EXPO. Feel free to reach out to me or one of the other Board Members if you want to get involved.

*Something you Need...*you absolutely NEED to renew your membership for 2024 if you haven't already! Don't miss out on all the great advantages membership offers, including Career Boosters, Connection Makers, and a plethora of Discounts and Savings: <https://www.asce.org/membership> You can also pay yourself by helping ASCE grow...refer a friend or colleague and get a \$50 Amazon gift card: <https://info.asce.org/mgam>

*Something you Wear...*ASCE has all kinds of great gear and merch to stock up on and show your support for our profession. Check out the ASCE store for everything from polos to dog leashes to baby bibs: <https://www.asce.org/gift-store>

*Something you Read...*ASCE has lots of great resources to stay up to date on the latest industry news, events, and trends: <https://www.asce.org/publications-and-news>

Admittedly, these probably aren't the best presents you received this year (I hope not!). Nonetheless, the ASCE WISE Board wishes you all a Happy New Year and is looking forward to an exciting 2024!

Regards,

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Notable Events



2023 was a year of excitement, not only for Swifties, but also for the ASCE Wisconsin Southeast Branch! We celebrated the 100th year of ASCE in Wisconsin and brought back the annual STEM EXPO at MSOE for the first time since in 2020.

STEM Expo

The 2023 STEM EXPO welcomed over 250 kids to the MSOE Kern Center on October 21, 2023.

Thanks to all our volunteers and sponsors! Without your support we would not be able to help energize the next generation of engineers!



ASCE Centennial

Celebrating 100 years of ASCE in Wisconsin included events at all three of the National Historic Civil Engineering Landmarks in Wisconsin. The celebrations were capped off with a Grand Celebration during the Annual Meeting at Discovery World in Milwaukee on September 28, 2023.



Jones Island, Milwaukee, WI



Vulcan Street Plant, Appleton, WI



Marshall Building, Milwaukee, WI

[The ASCE WISE Road Ahead...](#)



Scholarship Dinner

Join us for the annual ASCE WI Southeast Branch Scholarship Dinner on **Monday February 5, 2024** at the Milwaukee School of Engineering. Thanks to your support, the Branch is able to award scholarships to students from UW-Milwaukee, Marquette, and MOSE. After dinner, Joe Gallamore and David Pittman from WisDOT will present the I-794 Lake Interchange project in Milwaukee.

EXPLORE I-794 – Lake Interchange Study



LAKE INTERCHANGE

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) is conducting a study of I-794 at the Lake Interchange. The study will include development of a purpose and need and concepts that could either reconstruct or remove the freeway. The existing elevated freeway connects the Marquette Interchange to the Hoan Bridge and points to the south including the Port of Milwaukee and south shore communities. I-794 also provides a critical link to Milwaukee jobs, restaurants, businesses, cultural resources, and major tourist destinations in the Third Ward, Lakefront and central business district.

The Study will identify a transportation solution that address deteriorating infrastructure in a manner that will improve safety and operations while striving to enhance community connectivity and compatibility with local plans.

WisDOT is taking a communication first approach to engage the varied interests of stakeholders who use the Lake Interchange every day. Early activities have included Public Involvement Meetings, community events, stakeholder and business advisory committee meetings, individual stakeholder meetings, local government workshops and elected official briefings.

Please join us to for an update on the Study and to explore more about 794. www.794lakeinterchange.wisconsin.gov

Future Cities

The 2024 WI Regional Future City Competition is quickly approaching. This year's theme is "Electrify Your Future". Students research, plan, and build a city that exists 100 years in the future while assessing risk and meeting a schedule. **The competition is taking place at MSOE Kern Center on Saturday January 20, 2024 and we are looking for judges for ASCE's Exemplary Model Special Award.**

Judges should arrive at 8am, since Special Awards judging begins promptly at 8:30am. Judges should dress in business casual and bring their own scoring rubrics. Judges will be provided with a clipboard, a map, and list of teams.

A continental breakfast and lunch will be provided for all judges. Please email Neal Styka, nstyka@kapurinc.com by January 10th if you are interested in volunteering.



FUTURE CITY WISCONSIN REGIONAL COMPETITION

on Saturday, January 20, 2024

at MSOE Kern Center

1245 N Broadway; Milwaukee, WI 53202

2024 ASCE WI SE Branch Scholarship Golf Outing



With the unseasonably warm weather we are experiencing, it's hard not to think about golf. You may even find a few courses still open! Mark your calendars and save the date for the ASCE WI SE Branch Scholarship Golf Outing on **June 7th, 2024 at Ironwood Golf Course** in Sussex. Please add it to your calendar and be on the lookout for the invite coming to your inbox in 2024.

Newsletter Publication

We welcome your articles, letters & news items for publication in the ASCE SE Branch Newsletter.

Advertisements and job postings are also accepted by contacting:

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or by visiting the employment page on our website (<http://www.ascewise.org/employment/>)

*Deadline for next issue is the first of the month.