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Dear M. Todd,

It hasn't been long since the last newsletter, but there are a few new events posted that we had to let you know about! Coming up soon is our January Community Service Event: Bicycles for Humanity!

Also coming up is the PSEC Engineering Fair which is at the same location and same day as the PSB competition. You can even volunteer for both events if you are interested.

For the YMF officers & committee chairs,

Don Nguyen, E.I.T., A.M.ASCE  
Seattle ASCE YMF Secretary  
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### Young Professionals Panel - University of Washington

Thursday, Jan 15th, 5:30PM @ University of Washington ([More Hall](#), Room 230)

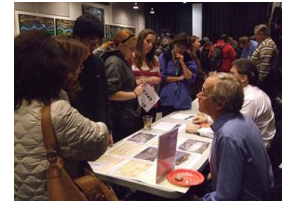
The YMF will be hosting a panel at the University of Washington. The goal is to introduce sophomores and juniors to the roles of young professional civil engineers. This will be an open forum to ask questions of a diverse panel of young professionals.

Students and current YMF members are invited to attend ready with questions. Here are a few to get your inquisitive minds thinking: What do you like/dislike about work/your office? What is a day at work really like? Would you change your major or Civil emphasis if you could do it all over again?

Feel free to contact Cal Bearman, <[cbearman@wje.com](mailto:cbearman@wje.com)>, with any questions about the panels.

### PSEC Engineering Mentor Night - Seattle Central College

Thursday, Jan 15th, 6:30PM-8:30PM  
@ Seattle Central College, 1st floor  
Atrium of SAM Building ([1701  
Broadway](#), Seattle)



This Mentor Night, sponsored by the Puget Sound Engineering Council (PSEC) will give engineering students an opportunity to meet representatives from the wide spectrum of practice in the profession of engineering.

The events are intended to be one-on-one affairs, and no ongoing mentoring relationship is expected. Food and refreshments will be provided. Please consider being a mentor for this event and register below. Mentors are asked to bring a sample of work that will fit on a 30" x 30" table top for potential discussion with the students.

For questions please contact Jason Salazar at <[salazarj@asme.org](mailto:salazarj@asme.org)>.

**\*\*[REGISTER ONLINE HERE](#)\*\***

Please also email Don Nguyen <[dngng@b-t.com](mailto:dngng@b-t.com)> to let him know you are attending.

### PSB Competition 2015 - Pre-Event Volunteer Meeting

Monday, Jan 19th, 5:30PM-6:30PM @  
Rock Bottom Brewery ([1333 5th Ave](#),  
Seattle)



A pre-event meeting for volunteers will be taking place Monday, January 19th in Seattle to discuss logistics and roles for the 20th Annual Popsicle Stick Bridge (PSB) Competition.

Activities for volunteers at the competition will include facilitating registration, judging, set up/clean up, emceeing, photography, scoring, general help (variety), and simply providing enthusiasm and energy for engineering to the students that are in attendance.

Please attend this meeting if you are interested in volunteering on Saturday, February 7th. If you are unable to make it to the pre-event meeting, but are interested in helping on the day of the event, then you can email Mike and Nik to let us know and we will keep you informed.

If you are interested in helping out, please contact Mike Bjork at <[Michael.Bjork@hdrinc.com](mailto:Michael.Bjork@hdrinc.com)> and Nik Gordon at <[Nikolas.Gordon@Jacobs.com](mailto:Nikolas.Gordon@Jacobs.com)>, Popsicle Stick Bridge 2015 Co-Chairs.

### Young Professionals Panel - Seattle University

Thursday, Jan 22nd, 6:00PM @ Seattle University  
([Bannan Engineering Building](#), Room 307)

The YMF will be hosting a panel at Seattle University. The goal is to introduce sophomores and juniors to the roles of young professional

civil engineers. This will be an open forum to ask questions of a diverse panel of young professionals.

Students and current YMF members are invited to attend ready with questions. Here are a few to get your inquisitive minds thinking: What do you like/dislike about work/your office? What is a day at work really like? Would you change your major or Civil emphasis if you could do it all over again?

Feel free to contact Cal Bearman, <[cbearman@wje.com](mailto:cbearman@wje.com)>, with any questions about the panels.

## Future City Competition - Volunteers Needed

Saturday, Jan 24th, 7:30AM-2PM  
@ DigiPen Institute ([9931 Willows Road Northeast](#), Redmond)



The Washington state Future City competition is looking for judges to help score participants. This event is organized and sponsored by Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE).

The competition that is open to teams of middle school students (6th, 7th and 8th grade) <http://futurecity.org/washington>. It is designed to promote teamwork, increase awareness of the need for infrastructure in cities, and expose students to engineering- oriented career possibilities. All this, plus the competition itself is a challenging and rewarding experience for the students!

Judges are needed in two areas. One is reviewing city narratives and essays in a flexible 10-day time frame (Jan 13th - Jan 23rd). The second one is reviewing physical models and oral presentations the final day of the competition (Jan 24th).

For more information, see the please contact the WA Future City judge coordinators Jeanne Harshbarger at <[jeanne.harshbarger@washingtonfuturecity.org](mailto:jeanne.harshbarger@washingtonfuturecity.org)> and Sarah Davis at <[sarah.davis@pse.com](mailto:sarah.davis@pse.com)>.

Please email the ASCE Section K-12 Outreach Chair, Eset Alemu at <[Eset.alemu@gmail.com](mailto:Eset.alemu@gmail.com)> if you are available to participate in one or both of these fun and worthwhile events.

## January Community Service Event - Bicycles for Humanity

Saturday, Jan 24th, 9AM-1PM @ MacDonald Miller Headquarters  
([7717 Detroit Ave SW](#), South Seattle)



Bicycles for Humanity



Bicycles for Humanity collects unwanted, still usable bikes, and sends them to impoverished communities in South Africa. Once 500 bicycles are collected, they need to be prepped and packed. And that's where you come in! Volunteers are needed to get the bikes ready to go, and

then load them into the container. Bicycles for Humanity is entirely volunteer run - there are no employees.

To sign up and for more information, contact Community Service Chair, Steve Hannan at <[steve@ridolfi.com](mailto:steve@ridolfi.com)>.

## SEAW Refresher Course 2015 - Register by Jan 25th

Feb 3rd - Mar 19th, 6:30PM-8:30PM  
@ UW Seattle (Room 238, [Mechanical Engineering Building](#))

The Structural Engineers Association of Washington (SEAW) in cooperation with the UW Department of Civil Engineering, will hold its annual Refresher Course on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from February 3rd through March 19, 2015. The course is designed to assist practicing engineers in the review of principles of structural engineering for buildings and bridges. Fourteen two-hour lectures will present information dealing with: Wind, Reinforced Concrete, Prestressed Concrete, Seismic, Bridge, Masonry, Structural Steel, Wood, Foundations, Cold-Formed Steel, and Analysis.

Also available is our "Half Refreshed" option for those just wishing to brush up on their skills. Choose any seven sessions for a reduced rate. Whatever your level of experience or number of licenses, you will appreciate this opportunity to learn from experienced structural engineers from the Seattle area.

For those unable to attend, complete course notes are available on CD.

For more information and to register, [click here](#).

## ASCE Awards

ASCE Awards Season - Please consider applying! - Due Feb 1st



The nomination season for ASCE national awards is approaching. Do you know any Younger Members who published academic research this past year or deserves recognition for work at a public agency? Consider applying for the [Collingwood Prize](#) or [Young Government Civil Engineer of the Year Award](#). How about the [Daniel Mead Award](#) for professional ethics (which traditionally gets very few entries, thus raising your odds of success)?

The YMF nominates candidates for a variety of prestigious national awards in December and is looking for your input. Winning these awards brings you (and your company) nationwide recognition in the field. For questions or suggestions, please contact Past Executive Shane Binder at <[shane.binder@transpogroup.com](mailto:shane.binder@transpogroup.com)>.

## PSEC Engineering Fair - Volunteers Needed

**Saturday, Feb 7th, 9:30AM-4:30PM @ Museum of Flight  
- Side Gallery ([9404 East Marginal Way S](#), Seattle)**

We are excited to announce the annual Engineering Fair at the Boeing Museum of Flight is on February 7th! This event is hosted by Puget Sound Engineering Council (PSEC) during Engineers Week. ASCE will have a booth with interactive activities for kids where they get to build gum drop structures, paper bridges and straw rockets. This is a fun, educational and activity packed event that is well attended. It aims to educate kids about civil engineering and science principles.

We are looking for volunteers to help facilitate the ASCE booth for three shifts **9:30 AM to 12:00 PM, 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM and 2:00 to 4:30 PM**. The first and last half hours will be for setting up and cleaning up.

Please email Eset Alemu at <[eset.alemu@gmail.com](mailto:eset.alemu@gmail.com)> or Conner Lester at <[conjles@gmail.com](mailto:conjles@gmail.com)> if you can help in one of the shifts.

### **Popsicle Stick Bridge Competition 2015**

**Saturday, Feb 7th @ Museum of Flight  
([9404 East Marginal Way S](#), Seattle)**

If you are interested in helping out, or would like more information about the competition, please contact Mike Bjork at <[Michael.Bjork@hdrinc.com](mailto:Michael.Bjork@hdrinc.com)> and Nik Gordon at <[Nikolas.Gordon@Jacobs.com](mailto:Nikolas.Gordon@Jacobs.com)>, Popsicle Stick Bridge 2015 Co-Chairs.



### **WRYMC 2015 - Register Now!**

**February 20th-21st, 2015 @ Bellevue,  
WA**

The Western Regional Younger Member Council (WRYMC) will be held in Bellevue on February 20 & 21, 2015. Visit our website to find out more: [WRYMC2015](#)



**Registration Fee:**

\$285 Regular Registration (Nov. 30, 2014 - Feb. 6, 2015)

**Online Registration Now Open:**

[Register for WRYMC now!](#)

[RSVP for a technical tour and/or purchase a WRYMC shirt here](#)

For general questions about WRYMC or to find out how you can help, contact Diana Hasegan <[diana@hasegan.com](mailto:diana@hasegan.com)>, the WRYMC chair, or Inna Tasmaly <[inna.tasmaly@abam.com](mailto:inna.tasmaly@abam.com)>, the WRYMC vice-chair.

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## ASCE Ski Retreat

March 6th-8th @ Mt. Hood,  
Portland, OR



We will join the Portland YMF in Portland at Mt. Hood for our annual Ski Retreat in early March. We have filled our current number of spots, but please let Elyssa Dixon <[elyssa.dixon@gmail.com](mailto:elyssa.dixon@gmail.com)> know if you are interested in joining the waitlist. More information will be available at a later date.

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