



YOUNG PROFESSIONALS COMMITTEE

Welcome to Volume 4 of the Association of Consulting Engineering Companies – Manitoba (ACEC-MB) Young Professional Committee's newsletter! As it's a new year, we'd like to send a gentle reminder to all our workplace champions to update their internal mailing lists! Please send us an email at yp@acec-mb.ca if you are unsure of who your workplace champion is or would like to volunteer to become your workplace champion.

As usual, please continue to forward this to the young professionals in your office as it contains items of interest to the young professionals in consulting engineering. Join our facebook group for reminders on upcoming events and photos from past events! You can find us by searching for "ACEC-MB Young Professionals".

Happy 2012!

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WHAT IS A YOUNG PROFESSIONAL?

A Young Professional is defined as any employee of an ACEC-MB member firm under the age of 35 or with up to 10 years of experience in his/her field.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND NOTICES

- Existing Building Energy Retrofits that Pay for Themselves

What: ACEC-Manitoba YPC's Breakfast Seminar Series
When: Tuesday February 14, 2012; 7:30 AM
Where: AECOM – Oak Boardroom (99 Commerce Drive)
Cost: \$15 (GST included) at the door; Includes hot breakfast

Join us for a breakfast presentation by Mr. Steve Reaburn, P.Eng., Leed AP, HFDP, on "Existing Building Energy Retrofits that Pay for Themselves". Steve is a Partner with MCW/AGE Consulting Professional Engineers, Manager of their mechanical department, as well as Vice President of the ACEC Manitoba Board of Directors. Steve has a wealth of experience working with "green" technologies and applying energy saving solutions to design and construction. This is sure to be an interesting and informative presentation on this important and timely topic.

To register, please email cemca@shaw.ca with the subject line "ACEC YP Breakfast Seminar" by Tuesday, February 7, 2012. Please RSVP for catering purposes.

This event is eligible for 1.5 APEGM PDH credits - Informal Activity and is only open to YP employees of ACEC-MB registered firms. Please provide 72 hours notice of cancellation if you are unable to attend.

- **ACEC-MB YPC Meeting**

When: Tuesday February 06, 2012; 5:30PM

Where: Tetra Tech Inc. (400 - 161 Portage Ave. East)

This event is only open to YP employees of ACEC-MB registered firms.

JANUARY EVENT RECAP

- **“Meet the Board” Pub Night**



On Tuesday January 17, 2012, nearly 30 ACEC-MB young professionals gathered at the King's Head Pub and Eatery to attend the “Meet the Board” Pub night. This event provided a rare opportunity for YPs to mix and mingle with members of the ACEC Manitoba Board of Directors in a relaxed, casual environment. We were fortunate to have Steve Reaburn (MCW/AGE Consulting Professional Engineers), Ron Typliski (AECOM), Bill Brant (GENIVAR), Ralph Kurth (Teshmont Consultants LP), Cameron Dyck (Stantec Consulting Ltd.), and Rick Haldane-Wilson (TetraTech) in attendance to meet and share some casual conversation with the YPs.

Steve Reaburn, Vice President of the Board, started the evening by introducing the Board Members in attendance, and followed with a brief but informative rundown on the role ACEC Manitoba plays in the consulting industry and some of their key initiatives. After this introduction, attendees were free to enjoy the great food and refreshments, and casually chat with the many Seasoned Professionals (SPs) in attendance.

The YP committee would like to thank the Board Members who were able to attend for their time, advice, and for making the event a success, and King's Head Pub and Eatery for allowing us to use their venue for the event. The Board's openness and willingness to take time from their busy schedules to spend with the Manitoba YPs is very much appreciated.



SPOTLIGHT ON...

- Dustin Warelis, B.Sc.



"Life is about taking chances of the unknown. If you never take the chance then how will you ever find out the unknown?" – Dustin Warelis

Role: Event Coordinator

Employed by: AMEC Environment and Infrastructure

As an: Environmental Scientist

Studied at: University of Winnipeg

And left with a degree in: Physical Geography

Years in Consulting: Three and a half

Why I love my job: The ability to work with the multiple disciplines the consulting world has to offer. I have the opportunity to work on multiple projects from the basic foundation construction and construction inspections to Phase I, II Environmental Site Assessments and emergency spill responses.

What I do in my free time: I enjoy the outdoors. Activities that I enjoy is playing sports, camping, hunting, fishing and just having a good time with my friends and family.

Song that best describes your life: "I'm Still a Guy" – Brad Paisley

Mac, Windows or Linux? Windows, but I do like my I pad 2!

Would you rather be Spiderman or Batman? Spider Man - who wouldn't want to swing from building to building? I went zip lining in Costa Rica and being at heights and dangling is a lot of fun.

RISING STAR AWARD

Do you know a young individual who has demonstrated excellence in business practices, outstanding achievements in their field, leadership in the community and the active participation in the ACEC-Manitoba association? ACEC-Manitoba is currently accepting nominations for the Rising Star Award!

Please see the attached Nomination Form for more information, or contact cemca@shaw.ca if you have additional questions.

COMMITTEE OPENINGS

A number of ACEC Manitoba Committees are actively looking for new members, including the *new* Professional Development Committee, Image Committee, First Nations Committee, Institutional Committee, and Private Sector Committee.

These committees all offer great opportunities to get involved, meet new people, and make a positive impact on the industry! For more information on any committees or to get involved, please contact cemca@shaw.ca.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

The Image Committee requires volunteers for the following events:

- RRC Career Fair - March 7th and 8th from 9:00am to 2:00pm.
- Rotary Career Fair - April 4th (9:00am to 3:00pm, 6:00pm to 9:00pm) and April 5th (9:00am to 3:00pm)

If you are interested, please contact Kristen Poff at kristen.poff@genivar.com with your availability.

OTHER BUSINESS

- ACEC-Manitoba Events

- Business Practices Meeting

When: Friday March 02, 2012;
8:30 am Registration and Continental Breakfast
9:00 am – 2:30 pm Business Meeting

Where: Niakwa Country Club, 620 Niakwa Road, Winnipeg MB

Cost: \$80.00 plus gst

Email cemca@shaw.ca for more details and registration information.

- 13th Annual Awards of Excellence Gala

When: Thursday, April 19, 2012; 5:30 PM

Where: Winnipeg Convention Centre (375 York Ave)

Cost: \$150.00 plus gst; corporate tables \$1,400.00 plus gst

Email cemca@shaw.ca for more details and registration information.

- APEGM Events

- APEGM Student Networking Dinner

When: Thursday February 02, 2012; 6:00 PM

Where: Canad Inns Fort Garry, 1824 Pembina Hwy.

Cost: \$80

Visit <http://www.apegm.mb.ca/pdf/PDNotices/SNDBrochure2012.pdf> for more details and registration information.

CONTACT INFORMATION

We thrive on feedback! For newsletter related questions or comments, please email ypnews@acec-mb.ca.

If you'd like more information on the YPC, please contact our Chair, Owen Van Wallegghem, at yp@acec-mb.ca.

For additional information on ACEC Manitoba and the ACEC Manitoba YPC, please visit our website at <http://acec-mb.ca>.

Find old copies of the ACEC-MB YPC Newsletter at <http://acec-mb.ca/young-professionals-newsletters.php>