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Young Professionals Committee

Welcome to this month's issue of the Association of Consulting Engineering Companies – Manitoba (ACEC-Manitoba) Young Professional Committee's newsletter! You may notice that we have started to include snippets from the ACEC Manitoba board meeting in our newsletter. Our aim is to help you better understand the workings of the Board, and what they do for you!

The ACEC Manitoba annual publication should be released shortly, so watch for a copy in your office! Also, please join our [LinkedIn®](#) group to get updates on group events, participate in or start discussions, and connect with other young professionals in Manitoba's consulting engineering community.

Please continue to forward this to the young professionals in your office!

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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

- Building Companies

What: A Pub Night!

When: Tuesday, November 20, 2012; 5:30 PM

Where: Luxalune Gastropub (734 Osborne Street)

Cost: \$20; GST included (appetizers provided)

Join us for an interactive panel session on Building Companies: Establishing a Successful Consulting Company. Panel speakers will include Ron Typliski, P. Eng., Vice President MB, AECOM, Jeff O'Driscoll, P. Eng., Branch Manager, Associated Engineering, and James Blatz, P. Eng., Partner, TREK Geotechnical. The panel session will include the individual accounts of these firm leaders and the challenges they have endured to establish successful consulting companies, through merging companies, opening a new branch and launching a new company.

This event is eligible for two (2) APEGM PDH credits – Informal Activity.

As ACEC-MB still incurs costs related to no shows, individuals who register but do not attend will be invoiced unless cancellations are received 72 hours prior to the event; however substitutions are permitted.

- **ACEC Manitoba's YPC Meeting**

When: Tuesday October 02, 2012; 5:30 PM

Where: GENIVAR (10 Prairie Way)

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

- **ACEC Manitoba's 4th Annual Gala – Building Lasting Client Relationships**

What: Our Annual Gala Dinner

When: Monday October 15, 2012; Drinks at 6:00 PM, dinner and presentation to follow.

Where: Bergmann's on Lombard (620-167 Lombard Ave)

Dress Code: Business Casual

Cost:	<i>Early Bird (until October 4)</i>	<i>Regular (until October 11)</i>
Individual	\$52	\$65
½ Table (4 seats)*	\$200	\$248
Full Table (8 seats)*	\$384	\$480

Only 200 tickets are available. * *This event is rush seating.*

This year's theme is "*Building Lasting Client Relationships*". Andrew Steeves will be the guest speaker and moderator for a panel discussion session. The panel will comprise of leading clients and contractors and consultants as they share their perspectives on developing and maintaining client relationships. Don't miss this excellent opportunity to build networks with young professionals and possible mentors, as well as learn about an important topic for young professionals in the consulting engineering industry. To register, please send attached registration form to Shirley Tillett at cemca@shaw.ca or fax to 204-779-0788.

This event is eligible for three (3) APEGM PDH credits – Informal Activity.

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August Event Recap

On the morning of Friday, September 21, 2012, the Young Professionals (YP) of ACEC Manitoba attended an interesting and informative tour of the exterior of Winnipeg's new Museum of Human Rights at the Forks. Seventeen (17) YPs gathered at the Explore Manitoba Travel centre at the Forks, near the new Museum of Human Rights.

The tour began with a short video that was played in the small theatre at Explore Manitoba. The video outlined the goals, the layout and the inspiration for the new building. Following the video, YPs were lead on an exterior tour around three quarters of the building with points of interested pointed out by the guide. Throughout the tour we learned that the museum will have exhibits outlining the wars and fights for human rights of minority groups in Canada, such as the Chinese, Jewish, Women, and First Nations. The exhibits will be set up such that the darkest times will be at the bottom and graduate to hope as you move up the building. The shape of the exterior windows represents a dove's wings wrapped around the building, symbolizing hope.

The design was created by an architect from New Mexico who was chosen through a contest that was held. Winnipeg was chosen as the site for the museum because the person who had the vision for the museum was a Manitoban, and because Winnipeg was also at the center of Canada.

The ACEC-MB YP Committee would like to thank Explore Manitoba for making our tour possible!



Spotlight on...

- The ACEC Manitoba Professional Development Committee

Valuable Learning Opportunities.

We provide the membership with relevant and valuable professional development opportunities.

Are you currently looking for volunteers?

Unfortunately, we are at full capacity and are currently not looking for volunteers.

Why should Young Professionals be interested in your committee?

The committee offers seminars and learning opportunities aimed at the key areas of importance identified by member organizations. These key areas typically focus on skills and knowledge required of today's engineering workforce and would be extremely beneficial to young professionals.

Interested in learning more?

Please contact Jeff Short by e-mail: jshort@dillon.ca.

Survey Reminder

Psssst! Are you a young professional? Then this is your last opportunity to take our survey! Please take five minutes to answer our questions on event planning and communications at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/8XFV2XC>. The information you supply will be used to continue planning great events to better serve our Manitoba YPs.

Board Notes

With ACEC Manitoba Board of Directors back in session, the 2012-2013 Board Executive positions have been finalized. Bruce Wilton (MMM Group Limited) now holds the title of Past President, while Ken Drysdale (Accutech Engineering, Inc) steps up to fill the President's role for the coming year. Steve Reaburn (MCW/AGE Consulting Professional Engineers) is taking on the position of President Elect, with Rick Haldane-Wilson (Tetra Tech) as Vice President. Mike Houvardas (Tower Engineering Group) has also agreed to fill the role of Secretary/Treasurer. Todd Smith (AECOM) will fill the role of ACEC Canada Representative.

This year, the Board has the good fortune of adding three new faces, Allyson Desgroseilliers (AMEC Environment & Infrastructure), Alana Gauthier (GENIVAR) and Jeff Rempel (SNC-Lavalin Inc.) to their ranks. Returning Directors also include Cheng Wong (AECOM), Ralph Kurth (Teshmont Consultants LP), Rick Martin (KGS Group), Cameron Dyck (Stantec Consulting Ltd.) and Owen Van Wallegem (AECOM).

Other Business

- ACEC Manitoba Professional Development Series

What: Introduction to Liability & Risk, a Professional Development Activity

When: Tuesday October 16, 2012; 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Where: Fairmont Hotel (2 Lombard Place)

Cost: \$300 (breakfast, lunch and course workbook included)

Please register by emailing cemca@shaw.ca. The registration deadline is October 8, 2012.

This event is eligible for eight (8) APEGM PDH credits.

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- FIDIC Announcements

The latest newsletter from the International Federation of Consulting Engineers (FIDIC) Young Professional Forum is now available. Please visit <http://fidic.org/sites/default/files/FIDIC-YPF-Newsletter-July-2012.pdf> to learn more.

- Other Events

What: Ingenium 2012 (APEGM Conference): Moving Forward

When: October 23-26, 2012

Where: Fort Garry Hotel (222 Broadway)

Cost: \$175 (before October 5)

\$235 (October 6-19) (breakfast included; lunch included on October 25; social events excluded)

Visit the [conference web site](#) for 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 Wallegem, at yp@acec-mb.ca.

For additional information on ACEC Manitoba and the ACEC Manitoba YPC, please visit our website at www.acec-mb.ca.

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

Friday September 28, 2012