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In this Month's eNews:
1. **WSPE President's Message**  
By: Angela Hanz, P.E.

WSPE President’s Message October

Greetings Everyone,

Fall is here and there are lots of great events planned for October (along with all of the Oktoberfest Celebrations!) I recently attended a leadership seminar which highlighted that one of the mindsets and habits a leader can have is to “be curious.” I believe most engineers are already members of the “curiosity club” and that trait has influenced our decisions to become engineers.

Here are some of the activities WSPE worked on this month:
We said farewell to the WSPE Treasurer, Kevin Keast. Kevin accepted a job position with a firm and relocated back to Manassas, Virginia. We wish him well and thank him for his service to WSPE. We are currently looking for a candidate to fill in for Kevin as treasurer.

The results of the MATHCOUNTS location survey were discussed. The WSPE will continue discussions on possibly holding the state MATHCOUNTS outside of Madison starting in 2017 for financial incentive reasons if this is considered a viable option with the schools, coaches, volunteers, and coordinators.
We are planning a one-day PDH seminar which will focus on Project Management. The one-day seminar will take the place of the two-day Discovery Conference since it is the first year of the biennium for PDH credits for licensure renewal. The two-day Discovery Conference will return in 2018.

2. Southwest Chapter News
By: John Brome, P.E., President SW Chapter

Southwest Chapter
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SW Chapter On-Line Video Conference – WSPE Members Invited!

Logistics for Videoconference

Learn a Competitive Fundamental Strategy to Make “Enough” Money

The Aji Network will be hosting a videoconference on October 11th from 12:00-1:00pm with 7 chapters of the WSPE.

To register for the talk -- as well as to learn more about The Aji Network and the financial and strategic concerns we will speak about with you -- please visit the registration page:

https://www.theajinetwork.com/engineers-videoconference.html

Registrations will end on October 10th at 9:00am. We will send an email with the link and call-in number when you register.

Please join the videoconference promptly between 11:55-12:00 pm. It will not be possible to join the call after 12:05 pm.

When people miss any of the opening explanations about money, how much money is “enough”, how to think strategically when using computer-driven tools and the internet, and how competitive fundamental strategies operate, they cannot follow the rest of the conversation.

The videoconference will be hosted through Zoom.us. Here are the options you can choose when joining the meeting:
2. Join by audio and video through your computer (requires camera)

3. Join by audio (phone) and video (computer)

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3. Fox River Valley Chapter News Update
By: Glen Schwalbach, P.E., NSPE Fellow

In Memoriam from the Fox Valley Chapter:

On a sad note: Robert Bath, a forty-year veteran of our chapter, passed away on August 11, 2016. Bob was a character with a secret heart of gold. Those who reminisced about Bob at his funeral service attested to this fact. Bob was 73 years old.

Bob put in a lot of effort for our chapter over the years. Many of you remember his chairmanship of many annual WSPE state conferences when it was our chapter's turn to host such. Green Bay conferences stood out, thanks to Bob's leadership of our planning committees. No one else would have arranged for belly dancers and a senior ladies synchronized swimming group for our entertainment. One year, we also had Elvis Presley enlisted by Bob. We also had coaches and players from the Packers.

Bob also organized a popular student chapter of engineering students and led it for a number of years. He knew how to relate to them through many fun activities.

Right up to his passing, Bob was working for our chapter. He was in the midst of arranging our annual planning meeting for the chapter when he died after a fall.

Bob had a degree in electrical engineering and was awarded the WSPE Young Engineer of the Year and, later, WSPE Professional Engineer of the Year, more than once.

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4. STEM News
By: STEM Forward

Check out all the upcoming news from STEM Forward [here](http://us2.campaign-archive2.com/?u=a557ee6e4696286636ad5e9ba&id=63291abb4b), and learn all about their events, including the 13th Annual sySTEMnow Conference! In addition, STEM mentors are needed; take a look at the information below if you're interested.
5. Other Important Information

ARE YOU ACTIVE ON TWITTER?

If so, we encourage you to follow our new Twitter account @WISPE_Comm for information about WSPE and our upcoming events & conferences!

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We Need Your News!

Is your chapter hosting an event? Did your chapter get some new members? Have you started your own business? Is your company taking on a really challenging project? If you said "yes" to any one of these questions, or would like to share anything even remotely newsworthy with the rest of WSPE, let us know! We'd also like to include an article in the next eNews summarizing any recent changes or accomplishments to inform your fellow WSPE members.

Please contact Jordan Rasmussen, WSPE Communications Intern, at communications@wspe.org to share any news. We look forward to including your news in our monthly updates!

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