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October 2013

PROFESSIONAL ESTIMATOR

Denver, Chapter 5

Winner of the Best Newsletter Award 2012-13 Award in the Northwest Region!

Chapter Meeting Notice

Date: Tuesday, October 8, 2013

Time: 5:00 pm Registration/Networking
6:00 pm Dinner
7:00 pm Program

Place: VQ Hotel at Mile High
1975 Mile High Stadium Circle
14th Floor
Denver, CO 80204

Cost: \$50.00 Members*
\$55.00 Non-Members*
\$30.00 Unemployed or
Retired Members

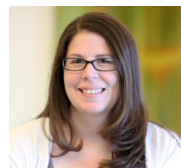
*\$5 off if you register by Oct. 3rd

OCTOBER PROGRAM

The Cost of LEED

Program information on page 5.

Register at: www.aspedenver.org



MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Stacie Flynn

On September 10th we had our first regular meeting since our summer break. Wayne Muir, Chairman of Structural Consultants, joined us for an informative presentation on BIM modeling from a structural steel fabrication and erection perspective. The technology that is available to contractors these days is impressive along with the cost and schedule savings these models can contribute. Currently the Bay area and Denver are leading in BIM evolution and the next BIM forum will be held in Denver this October. Some recommended reading mentioned was Commercial Real Estate Revolution, The Owner's Dilemma and Blue Ocean Strategy. If you or your company is interested in learning more about BIM modeling please contact any of the ASPE board members or your local AGC chapter.

I wanted to take the time to welcome some new members that have joined us recently. Matthew Rasmussen of Hensel Phelps Construction, Geoffrey Johnson of Heartland Acoustics and Interiors, and Jason Summers of Mortenson. Please take the opportunity to introduce yourselves to them at our next meeting.

The first weekend in October will take me to Boise, ID where the ASPE fall regional

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What is LEED?

by *Eddie Castaneda Jr., CPE, LEED AP BD+C*

LEED stands for the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design. The U.S. Green Building Council is a non-profit organization that is devoted to increasing the use of sustainable building practices across the United States. LEED is intended to help building owners and operators find and implement ways to be environmentally responsible and resource-efficient. Many of us have become LEED accredited professionals and those who have not have an understanding of what it takes for a building to become certified. In LEED 2009 there are 100 possible base points distributed across five major credit categories:

Sustainable Sites, Water Efficiency, Energy and Atmosphere, Materials and Resources, Indoor Environmental Quality, plus an additional six points for Innovation in Design and an additional 4 points for Regional Priority.

Buildings can qualify for four levels of certification:

Certified: 40–49 points

Silver: 50–59 points

Gold: 60–79 points

Platinum: 80 points and above

The remarkable aspect of LEED is that there are many different ways to achieve these levels and the creativity to which this system can be manipulated to gain a couple more points to attain a higher rating.

Instead of describing or giving examples on how some projects have exploited loopholes in LEED requirements and achieved credits for measures that they either had to do anyway, or did for no good reason except to earn the point. I invite you to go to an [article that appeared in the USA Today at the end of last year](#).

The article is interesting but do keep in mind each new version of LEED has gotten a little more sophisticated in removing those loopholes, so exploited loopholes are happening less often, but the long lag-time between registering a project and earning certification means that it takes a while for the improvements to filter through.

Membership Statistics (as of September 9, 2013)

Current Membership Count 47

Chapter Membership Classifications:

42.55%	20	Certified Professional Estimator (CPE)
51.06%	24	Estimator (E)
0.00%	0	Associate Member (ASM)
2.13%	1	Constructor (C)
0.00%	0	Student (S)
0.00%	0	Affiliate Member (AF)
0.00%	0	Member Emeritus (ME)
0.00%	0	Honorary Member (HM)
4.26%	2	Fellow (FCPE)
100%	47	TOTAL

Benefit for ASPE Members

Mike Branigan from the Colorado Construction and Design magazine is offering free subscriptions to ASPE Denver members. To take advantage of this great offer, simply log onto www.goldenbellpress.com, click on “subscribe” and then click on “Colorado Construction & Design.” Simply print the subscription form and then either scan it and email it to mike@goldenbellpress.com or fax it to the number on the form.

Certification Program CORRECTIONS

The Certification Program article in our September 2013 newsletter contained some incorrect information. For the correct information, please click on the following link:
http://www.aspenational.org/Certification_UnderstandingTheCP.aspx#.Ujde9Masim4

We apologize for any confusion that this may have caused you. If you have any questions, please contact our Certification Chairman Bruce Thompson, CPE (303-751-0741 or bruce.thompson@merrick.com.)

2013 ASPE Sporting Clay Tournament Recap

On August 16th, ASPE held their annual Sporting Clay Tournament at Kiowa Creek Sporting Club in Bennett. It was a warm summer morning that gave 42 participants the opportunity to come together for bragging rights, prizes and to raise money for our scholarship fund. In a little under three hours, 4,200 clays were destroyed and a great lunch was served.

I want to thank Robert Steele of Maxwell Builders and Pat Noland of Currie & Brown for their assistance. We wouldn't have been able to pull it off without your help. Thank you to Rib MC2 and Rolling Plains for their sponsorship. An organization is only as strong as its members. If you are interested in volunteering, participating, or sponsoring at next year's event, please contact Stacie Flynn, President.

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meeting will convene. Representatives from the northwest and southwest chapters will be present. I am excited to meet the other chapter representatives and hope to bring back some great information we can use moving forward.

Please note our next meeting is October 8th, hope to see you there!

Sincerely,
Stacie Flynn

Pictures From the September Program



ASPE Code of Ethics

- CANON 1** Professional estimators and those in training shall perform services in areas of their discipline and competence.
- CANON 2** Professional estimators and those in training shall continue to expand their professional capabilities through continuing education programs to better enable them to serve clients, employers and the industry.
- CANON 3** Professional estimators and those in training shall conduct themselves in a manner that will promote cooperation and good relations among members of our profession and those directly related to our profession.
- CANON 4** Professional estimators and those in training shall safeguard and keep in confidence all knowledge of the business affairs and technical procedures of an employer or client.
- CANON 5** Professional estimators and those in training shall conduct themselves with integrity as all times and not knowingly or willingly enter into agreements that violate the laws of the United States of America or of the states in which they practice. They shall establish guidelines for setting forth prices and receiving quotations that are fair and equitable to all parties.
- CANON 6** Professional estimators and those in training shall utilize their education, years of experience and acquired skills in the preparation of each estimate or assignment with full commitment to make each estimate or assignment as detailed and accurate as their talents and abilities allow.
- CANON 7** Professional estimators and those in training shall not engage in the practice of bid peddling as defined by this code. This is a breach of moral and ethical standards, and a member of this society shall not enter into this practice.
- CANON 8** Professional estimators and those in training to be estimators shall not enter into any agreement that may be considered acts of collusion or conspiracy (bid rigging) with the implied or express purpose of defrauding clients. Acts of this type are in direct violation of the code of ethics of the American Society of Professional Estimators.
- CANON 9** Professional estimators and those in training to be estimators shall not participate in acts, such as the giving or receiving of gifts, which are intended to be or may be construed as being unlawful acts of bribery.
- Revision May, 2011

Quote of the Month

*"Quality means doing it right
when no one is looking."*

~ Henry Ford

ASPE OCTOBER CHAPTER PROGRAM



THE COST OF LEED

Many construction industry professionals perceive LEED certified buildings to be much more expensive than conventional buildings. Chad Mapp, LEED consultant and PM with Sustainable Building Services, LLC will present the findings of several national studies and reports which identify the cost of LEED certification as well as their own local study. Published in the Journal of Sustainable Real Estate, Volume 3, 2012, Chad has proficient knowledge in LEED management services as well as the design, construction and operation of high performance green buildings.

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ASPE STRONG



Membership Drive: 8.1.13 - 10.31.13

UNITED WE STAND

Every society has their traditions. Our traditions form a bond and sense of community that help build and mold the next generation; to further sustain the Society that has worked feverishly to obtain their position.

We, at ASPE, have our position and we must continue embracing shared information, new technologies and mentoring our next generation of leaders. It takes each and every member to accomplish our goals as a unified entity.

ASPE Strong Membership Drive begins on ***August 1, 2013 and ends on October 31, 2013.*** That's three (3) months to recruit the most *new members* (see details below).

The winning chapter will have the National President or Executive Director as a guest speaker for an upcoming chapter meeting.

New Member Eligibility:

- Late Renewals for 12/13 fiscal year members not included.
- Members NOT current during fiscal years 11/12, 10/11, 09/10 will be considered as a renewing member. All other former members must rejoin as a new member.
- Student members joining during this drive may equal up to 1/2 of the total new members recruited. (Example: If ten (10) new members are recruited, up to five (5) may be student members.)



Member Company Roster

Companies who represent the ASPE Chapter 5

Assoc. Construction Consultants	Kiewit Building Group
Building Tech Consultants, Inc.	Ludvik Electric Co.
CDM Constructors, Inc.	Madsen Kneppers & Associates
CFC Construction Company	Maxwell Builders
Currie & Brown, Inc.	Merrick & Company
dcb Construction Company Inc	Mortenson
Demand Const. Services, Inc.	Northern Electric, Inc.
Drake Williams Steel-Mtn Steel Div.	Piper Electric Co., Inc.
Duro Electric Company	R.D. Simmermon & Company
Fransen Pittman General Contractors	RFP Consulting, Inc.
Heartland Acoustics & Interiors	RIB Management Computer Controls, Inc.
Hensel Phelps Construction Co.	Rider Levett Bucknall
Howell Construction	Roche Constructors, Inc.
Hyder Construction, Inc.	Rolling Plains, Inc.
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