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Upcoming Events

- 42nd Annual Geo-Omaha Conference

Friday, February 7th @ 7:30 AM—5 PM

Location: Scott Conference Center- [Link for registration and conference details!](#)

Who Should Attend: All professionals who are involved in geotechnical exploration, design, construction, or observation. This would include:

Engineers/Geologists , University Instructors, Technicians/Contractors

- February Section Meeting—Geotechnical

Thursday, February 6th @ 5:30—8:30 PM

Location: Scott Conference Center- [Registration Link](#)

Presentation: Assessing the Future Legacy of Northwestern USACE Dams

- Truss Bustin' and E-week Event

Saturday, February 22nd @ TBA

Location: UNO Peter Kiewit Institute

- March Section Meeting - Environmental

Wednesday, March 12th @ TBA

Location: Beacon Hills in Aksarben Village, Omaha

Presentation: US Army Corps of Engineers - levee permitting for projects

- 2025 Mid-America Student Symposium

April 3rd- 5th @ TBA

Location: University of Nebraska-Lincoln

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Sam Allen, P.E., M.ASCE

From the President

Hello ASCE Nebraska Section,

Another month passes by and a new slate of activities & events come our way with the year already getting off to a great start! On January 15th several members volunteered as judges in the local Future Cities competition, where 19 different elementary and middle school teams across the state of Nebraska took on the challenge of designing a floating city. The winning team was Aqua-Mundi from Waverly Middle School and will be travelling to Washington, D.C. for the national competition. Congratulations!

The Nebraska Section also held a joint meeting with the University of Nebraska-Lincoln student chapter on January 22nd. The students gave a brief update and John Winkler from Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources district presented on the Levee system as well as resiliency efforts to combat flooding.

Coming up on February 6th and 7th is the Geo-Omaha Conference held at the Scott Conference Center located on the University of Nebraska – Omaha campus. Thursday will be a short course on MSE Walls, Pavements & Containment using Geosynthetics. The Geotechnical section meeting will be held Thursday night where speakers from the US Army Corps of Engineers will present on Northwestern USACE Dams. Friday will be the 42nd annual Geotechnical conference which covers a variety of topics and will provide 7.5 professional development hours, including 1 hour of ethics. For more information and to RSVP for any of the Geo-Omaha events, please use the following link: [Geo-Omaha Conference](#).

The Truss Bustin' event will take place on Saturday, February 22nd along with an E-week event at the UNO Peter Kiewit Institute. We are still looking for volunteers, so if you are interested in volunteering for this event, please reach out to me or Mike Sklenar (msklenar12452@outlook.com).

Lastly, the Environment technical meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 12th over lunch at Beacon Hills in Aksarben, Omaha. Speakers from US Army Corps of Engineers will discuss levee permitting for construction projects. More details will follow in the coming weeks, be sure to check your email for RSVP information.

As always please be sure your contact information is up to date at asce.org allowing you to receive all our emails for future events. We have a few different ongoing volunteering initiatives and other ways to get involved. Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have.

Thank you,

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January Section Meeting - Water Resources

On January 22, 2025, the Nebraska ASCE Water Resources committee hosted the January Section Meeting at the Kiewit Hall at the University of Nebraska Lincoln. John Winkler, General Manager for the Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District, presented about Levee Systems & Preparedness. The meeting was a joint meeting with collegiate ASCE members and included a pizza social.

[NEASCE January Section Meeting - ASCE - Nebraska Section](#)



Future Cities Competition

Future City is a hands-on cross-curricular educational program that brings STEM to life for students in grades 6 through 8. Using the Engineering Design Process (EDP) and project management skills, students showcase their solutions to a citywide sustainability issue. This year's challenge asked students to build a floating city that keeps its citizens safe and healthy. The Nebraska regional competition was held on January 15th and had over 100 students compete from 9 different schools including Waverly, Louisville, Fort Calhoun, and Arlington. The winning team from Waverly Middle School will be traveling to Washington DC the weekend of February 14th to participate in the National Competition.



Future Cities Competition



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