



Southern Chapters' Council of CSPE

# The Voice

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## SCC Monthly Meetings

On the first Monday of every month at 7:00 pm. Second floor of Philippe's Restaurant. 1001 N Alameda St. Los Angeles, CA 90012.

## ***GREETINGS FROM THE SCC PRESIDENT***

Happy New Year to all our Southern Chapters Council (SCC) members! This annual issue gives you timely information on Engineers Week as well as MATHCOUNTS activities in your local area. Please consider this mailing as your invitation to participate in these functions. Contact the people listed in each announcement for more information. Take the time to actively show your pride as an engineering professional and to promote the public image of engineers!

The Raytheon Corporation along with NDEP, Northrop Grumman, NSPE, CNA Foundation, ConocoPhillips, PITSCO, Texas Instruments and the 3M organizations are National Sponsors to MathCounts. As you all know, NSPE was one of the three founding organizations along with NCTM (Math teachers) and the CNA Foundation.

If you want to participate in a particular activity or just get information, please send us your e-mail address. We are updating our list to more easily and effectively communicate with all of you. Additionally, tell us what you want from your professional engineering

society. Send your e-mail address and comments to me at [Horwitz1consult@aol.com](mailto:Horwitz1consult@aol.com)

**Stan Horwitz, P.E.  
President, SCC**

## ***\$30 INCENTIVE TO ATTEND ENGINEERS WEEK EVENT***

The SCC Board has again approved a partial subsidy to encourage SCC members to participate in an Engineers Week program this year. SCC members can apply for a \$30 reimbursement after attending an Engineers Week dinner program, such as those listed in the next section of this newsletter. Submit your request by sending the name and location of the E-Week dinner, and your receipt or other evidence of payment to Bob Sims, PE, SCC Treasurer. He can be reached at [rsims@ldcla.com](mailto:rsims@ldcla.com) for further information. His mailing address is 199 S. Los Robles Ave. Suite 250, Pasadena, CA 91101.

## ***ENGINEERS WEEK ACTIVITIES***

National Engineers Week is being celebrated February 14 to 20, 2010. This year's theme is "Engineers Make a World of Difference." Collectively, America's engineers contribute more than one million hours annually to public service. The National Engineers Week

Foundation coalition members, with the support of engineering firms and agencies, represent a significant segment of this volunteer force. This year, to help celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Engineers Week Discover E educational outreach program, the Foundation is giving special recognition to engineer volunteers!

Visit the NSPE website, [www.eweek.org](http://www.eweek.org), for further details on the National Engineers Week that was started in 1951 by NSPE. This celebration raises public awareness of engineers' positive contributions to improving the quality of life, and promotes the importance of technical education and literacy in science and technology.

See below for some local E-Week events and the person(s) to contact for more information.

### **Inland Empire Council of Engineers and Scientists:**

February 16, 2010  
6 PM Social, 7 PM  
Dinner, 7:45 PM Program  
Redlands University,  
Casa Loma Room  
Speaker: John V.  
Bednarski, Metropolitan  
Water District of  
Southern California.  
"Inland Feeder:  
Enhancing Water Supply  
Reliability in Southern  
California"  
Contact: Art Sutton, P.E.  
909-869-2524 for info.  
\$25 engineers, spouses  
and/or guests, \$15  
students

Menu: Roast Prime Rib of  
Beef, Chicken Porcini or  
Grilled Vegetarian  
Lasagna.  
RSVP and prepayment  
required to IECES, c/o Tom  
Crowley, Treasurer, 115  
Hillside Way, Redlands,  
CA 92373. 909-213-7055  
by 2/13/09

### **Engineers' Council (San Fernando Valley)**

#### **Honors and Awards Banquet:**

February 20, 2010  
5 PM Social, 6 PM Dinner,  
Program 7 PM  
Speaker: TBA  
Formal attire is requested.  
Sheraton Universal Hotel  
333 Universal Hollywood  
Drive, Universal City  
Contact: Dr. Charles Volk,  
Treasurer, [charles.volk@engineerscouncil.org](mailto:charles.volk@engineerscouncil.org)  
\$90 per person  
Reservations due 2/16/10.  
[www.engineerscouncil.org/  
Banquet/reservation.html](http://www.engineerscouncil.org/Banquet/reservation.html)  
Also on February 19, 2010  
there is the Engineers Week  
Technical Conference  
<http://www.engineerscouncil.org/Conference/>

### **Los Angeles Council of Engineers and Scientists (LACES) Annual Honors and Awards Banquet**

February 18, 2010  
5:30 PM Jazz Band  
Reception, 6:00 PM  
Dinner, 7:45 PM Awards &  
Program,  
LAX Flight Path Museum,  
6661 W. Imperial Hwy.,  
Los Angeles, CA 90045  
RSVP by Jan. 14, 2010 to  
Erika Kennelley (213) 614-

9002 or email at  
[ekennelley@PIRNIE.com](mailto:ekennelley@PIRNIE.com)  
\$50 per person, \$60 at door  
Checks: payable to  
LACES/AAEPEA and mail  
to: Michael Simpson,  
treasure, 2714 Media  
Center Drive, Los Angeles,  
CA 90065

### **Orange County Engineering Council, 2010 Engineers Week Banquet**

February 20, 2010  
5 PM Social, 6 PM Dinner  
The Centre at Sycamore  
Plaza, 5000 Clark Avenue,  
Lakewood, CA 90712.  
Speaker: TBA,  
Contact: Adam Chamaa,  
VP Engineering,  
714-375-3830  
[pridout@socal.rr.com](mailto:pridout@socal.rr.com)  
\$80 per person

### **San Diego County Engineering Council Awards Banquet**

February 19, 2010  
6 PM – 9:30 PM  
Joan B. Kroc Institute for  
Peace and Justice,  
University of San Diego  
5998 Alcalá Park, San  
Diego 92110  
Speaker: Frank Belock,  
P.E., "Getting Water to  
Southern California"  
Contact: Ken Discenza,  
P.E., 888 Brockton St., El  
Cajon, CA 92020.  
619-442-8467.  
[sitedesign@sda-pe.com](mailto:sitedesign@sda-pe.com)  
\$40 per person

### **Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties**

February 18, 2010, 6 PM  
Ronald Regan Library  
40 Presidential Drive, Simi  
Valley, CA

Speaker: Alan C. Cummings, Caltech, Senior Scientist  
"The Voyager Mission to the Outer Planets and Interstellar Space"  
RSVP: Al Joseph  
805-469-5361  
\$65 per person  
[http://home.earthlink.net/~newc\\_vsb/](http://home.earthlink.net/~newc_vsb/)

## **MATHCOUNTS UPDATE**

MathCounts is the second major event during February. This competition encourages 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade students to become more proficient and develop interest in mathematics leading to careers in engineering and science. The local competitions welcome more volunteers to assist in running the contests and grading the exams. Please contact the people listed to volunteer. Also check the CSPE web site for more information. The state competition for the Southern California region will be held at University of California, Irvine on March 20, 2010. Contact Cliff Ishii 714-236-0492 if you can volunteer to help with this state competition.

### **Central Coast Chapter**

February, 2010 at Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, Contact Chapter Coordinator, Caixing Gu, 805-756-1654, [cgu@calpoly.edu](mailto:cgu@calpoly.edu)

### **East San Gabriel Valley Chapter**

Saturday, February 27, 2010 at Cal Poly, Pomona  
Chapter Coordinator, Art Sutton, 909-689-2524, [awsutton@csupomona.edu](mailto:awsutton@csupomona.edu)

### **Kern County Chapter**

February 27, 2010, CSU Bakersfield, Contact

Chapter Coordinator, Rebecca N. Larson, 661-654-2103, [blarson@csub.edu](mailto:blarson@csub.edu)

### **LA/Pasadena Chapter**

Saturday, February 6, 2010 at McAuliffe Middle School, 4112 Cerritos Avenue, Los Alamitos  
Chapter Coordinator, Becky Ishii, 714-236-0492, [mathcounts@aol.com](mailto:mathcounts@aol.com)

### **Long Beach Chapter**

Saturday, February 6, 2010 at McAuliffe Middle School, 4112 Cerritos Avenue, Los Alamitos  
Chapter Coordinator, Cliff Ishii, 714-236-0492, [mathcounts@aol.com](mailto:mathcounts@aol.com)

### **Orange County Chapter**

February 20, 2010 at UC Irvine, Chapter Coordinator, Michael Cowan P.E., 949-756-7535, [micharl.cowan@tteci.com](mailto:micharl.cowan@tteci.com)

### **Riverside-San Bernardino Chapter**

February 6, 2010 at Yeager Center, California Baptist University, 8432 Magnolia Avenue, Riverside, CA 92504  
Chapter Coordinators, Dr. Ziliag Zhou, 951-343-4681, [zzhou@calbaptist.edu](mailto:zzhou@calbaptist.edu) and Ken Discenza P.E., 619-442-8467, [ken@sda-pe.com](mailto:ken@sda-pe.com)

### **San Diego Chapter**

February 27, 2010 at UC San Diego, Center Lecture Hall, parking at Gilman Parking Structure intersection of Gilman and Russell  
Chapter Coordinator, Peter Livingston P.E., 858-663-6989, [peter@livingstonengineering.com](mailto:peter@livingstonengineering.com)

### **San Fernando Valley Chapter**

February, 2010, CSU Northridge Satellite Student Union Shoshone Room, Contact Chapter Coordinator, Jerry Kraim P.E., 818-363-0952, [luftmench@msn.com](mailto:luftmench@msn.com)

### **Santa Barbara-Ventura Chapter**

February 28, 2010 location TBD. Contact Chapter Coordinator, John Maloney, 805-569-9216, [maloney@jmpe.net](mailto:maloney@jmpe.net)

### **South Bay-Santa Monica Chapter**

February 19, 2010, Northrop Grumman Manhattan Beach Facility.  
Chapter Coordinators, Michael Hirsch, Julie Chao, Latesha Young, (310) 377-2925, [sbsm.mathcounts@gmail.com](mailto:sbsm.mathcounts@gmail.com)

### **MathCounts State Competition**

Saturday, March 20, 2010 at UC Irvine  
Cliff Ishii, 714-236-0492  
[mathcounts@aol.com](mailto:mathcounts@aol.com)

## **CSPE MEMBER RESOURCES**

CSPE can be reached at [www.cspe.com](http://www.cspe.com) to access their monthly newsletter, services to members and information resources. The web site has been updated to allow easy navigating and searching. Send your updated information to [info@cspe.com](mailto:info@cspe.com) to make sure you receive CSPE correspondence.

Keep current on legislation impacting California engineering licensure and practice. Sign up for the CSPE legislative email list to receive the latest news and alerts. The CSPE website also has links to other related sites for additional information you can access.



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