PRESIDENT’S COLUMN

I hope everyone had a Happy Halloween. I also hope everyone’s construction projects are wrapping up. I know that I have a couple that are behind but should be finishing in the next couple weeks. This time of year always makes me a little nervous when projects aren’t done. The weather can change and shut you down until spring when all you want to do is close the project out.

This month we welcome Chuck Cox with GCC as our speaker to talk about Portland-Limestone Cement at our monthly meeting on November 9, 2021. Thanks to Matt Gregg with Wheeler for presenting on timber and recreational bridges last month.

We traditionally don’t have a December meeting because of our Winter Social that Kent Ode is planning. I’m sure he is planning a fantastic event, which is scheduled for December 16th. More details on a location and time coming soon.

I would like to welcome our new members in the last month: Matthew Corcoran, Tyson Mitzel and Andrew Wolters. As always, please consider bringing a non-member to our monthly meetings so they can see the value in our society and hopefully become a new member.
## TREASURER’S REPORT
BY SCOTT LAVOY, PE

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Eastern Chapter September Monthly Meeting IN PERSON** Tuesday, November 9th at Pizza Ranch (41st Street Location)
  - Chuck Cox with GCC as our speaker to talk about Portland-Limestone Cement
  - Lunch at 11:30; Meeting starts at noon
  - WebEx option available; information found in newsletter

- **Winter Social— Thursday, December 16th** *(more details to come)*

- **SAVE THE DATE—SDES Annual Conference, April 5-7 in Sioux Falls**

### November 2021

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TO ADD A CALENDAR ITEM PLEASE CONTACT ABBY NELSON AT ABBY.NELSON@HDRINC.COM
Please join us in-person for the monthly Eastern Chapter SDES Meeting at the Pizza Ranch Meeting Room on 41st Street.

Lunch starts at 11:30 am and the meeting begins at Noon.

**Tuesday, November 9th**

Chuck Cox with GCC is our speaker discussing Portland-Limestone Cement

We can’t wait to see you all in person, but if you’d like to join us virtually via WebEx, please see the information below.

**WEB-EX MEETING INFORMATION HAS CHANGED FROM LAST MONTH.**

We have set up a recurring meeting for the rest of the year, so it will stay the same until the end of the year (May 2022). Members can also find the link if they log in to the website and click on Membership Meeting Information under the Members Only item in the left hand menu.

Join from the meeting link: **Click Here**

Join by meeting number:
Meeting number (access code): 2464 774 4807
Meeting password: ERt323BNuYv

Tap to join from a mobile device (attendees only)
+1-650-479-3208,,24647744807## Call-in toll number (US/Canada)

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1-650-479-3208 Call-in toll number (US/Canada)
Nomination forms for Eastern Chapter awards will be sent out in the next month. Please begin thinking about your nomination for a deserving engineer or project for:

- Outstanding Engineering Achievement (Project)
- Engineer of the Year
- Young Engineer of the Year

We have many engineers and projects in the Eastern Chapter that deserve recognition for a job well done. Nominations will be due at the end of January. Contact Wes Philips at wphilips@siouxfalls.org or 605-367-8657 with questions.

See the following page for the handout that is sent to high schools to get SDES scholarship applicants. Help us get the word out and please pass along if you know any good candidates!
ARE YOU A HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR INTERESTED IN PURSUING A CAREER IN ENGINEERING?

IF YOU ARE:
- A 2022 GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR AND ENROLLING IN A SOUTH DAKOTA ENGINEERING PROGRAM IN THE FALL OF 2022 AT THE SOUTH DAKOTA SCHOOL OF MINES AND TECHNOLOGY OR SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY.

AND YOU HAVE:
- SHOWN THE ABILITY TO HANDLE RESPONSIBILITY
- HAVE LEADERSHIP SKILLS
- EARN HIGH GRADES & ATTAINED HIGH ACT SCORES

YOU QUALIFY!

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A STATE SOCIETY OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS (NSPE) www.NSPE.org

APPLICATION DEADLINE IS JANUARY 15, 2022

CONTACT YOUR HIGH SCHOOL GUIDANCE COUNSELOR OR VISIT www.SDES.org FOR AN APPLICATION AND INFORMATION.
I was born and raised in Sioux Falls, SD. I have one sister that is six years older than me with two kids. My favorite hobbies include fishing, racing, and watching Minnesota professional sports. I attended Roosevelt High School in Sioux Falls; After high school I attended college at SDSU, graduating in May of 2021. In 2019 I interned with the SDDOT for the summer. I interned with DGR Engineering the summer of 2020 and started full time with DGR May of 2021.
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Past President            Ben Scholtz, PE

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  Winter Social          Kent Ode, PE
  Golf Outing            Kent Ode, PE
  Awards Banquet         Jedidiah Reimnitz, PE
Awards                   Wes Philips, PE
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Newsletter               Abby Nelson, PE
Membership List          Myron Adam, PE

Eastern Chapter of SDES Goals
To promote the licensed practice of engineering and to provide learning opportunities that enable licensed engineers to maintain practice competency;
To maintain high ethical standards for the practice of engineering and lead the profession in adhering to these principles:
To protect the public health, safety, and welfare; while being good stewards of the environment;
To incorporate engineering principles and perspectives in government decisions that protect the public; and
To consider community service a professional obligation.

SDES Mission Statement
SDES is the state society of engineers from all disciplines that promotes the ethical and competent practice of engineering, advocates licensure, enhances the image of its members, and advocates legislation and public policy for the betterment of human welfare and the profession.

Webex Login Instructions
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SDES November Monthly Meeting
Meeting available on Webex on Tuesday, November 9 at Noon (CST)

Meeting number (access code): 2464 774 4807
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Join from the meeting link:
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