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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE *by Jack Moeller, P.E.*



Over the last two months the Executive Committee with the help of various committees and sub committees has made progress on a number of fronts. We adopted specific short term goals for the next year including:

1. Grow membership by three regular members and one affiliate member.
2. Increase legislative support by having at least 100 member firm employees attend the annual legislative luncheon and have at least 1000 employees respond to "Legislative Alerts".
3. Expand our program to include at least one targeted for MEP firms.
4. Initiate a scorecard for ACEC/PAC, CEPAC and Minuteman fund raising.
5. Improve timely payment of dues. Initiate an annual plaque recognizing that the firm is a member in good standing of ACEC/MD upon payment of dues. To show leadership on this goal, the Executive Committee has also pledged to have dues paid by their firms by December 31st.
6. Clarify the official representative and alternate for each member firm. The purpose of this goal is to have in place the "right contacts" to meet our organization's goals and responsibilities.

While we can do our best to plan for the future, sometimes, we just need to react to the current situation. Recently, firms working on State funded projects were surprised to learn that they would be subject to a new liquidated damages clause for contracts containing MBE goals. A new Maryland Statute and COMAR Regulation stating: "All contracts containing certified MBE participation goals shall contain a liquidated damages provision that applies if the contractor fails to comply in good faith with the provision of State MBE laws or the pertinent terms of the procurement contract." The result of this one sentence regulatory change is a 450 word specification developed by the Governor's Office of Minority Affairs (GOMA) containing five separate liquidated damages and a statement threatening termination of contract for non-compliance.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE *(continued)*

So much for good faith, the new specification clearly changes the MBE program from goal based to a mandate. You might think this new specification would be heavily supported by ACEC/MD's MBE/WBE firms, not so. In fact, ACEC/MD's Small Business Committee is leading the charge to have the new specification modified and/or rescinded. Why would the Small Business Committee do that? There are a number of reasons including:

- The liquidated damages are not needed because on State A&E Contracts compliance with the MBE program is very good. In fact, a procurement officer for MDOT stated they currently have better avenues to ensure compliance than liquidated damages.
- The unintended consequence of the prime firms feeling the need to protect themselves from being assessed liquidated damages will hurt the smaller specialty MBE firms. Prime firms will use only larger diversified MBEs to ensure that they can subcontract work without having to move funding between subconsultants or by adding new MBE firms. This unintended consequence is in direct contrast to the goal of the MBE program to grow and nurture small MBE businesses.
- The current trend in A&E Contracting is to use large "Open End Contracts" with comprehensive scopes and undefined tasks. If the primes are threatened with liquidated damages for not assigning work to every MBE on their team regardless of the MBE's capabilities, specialty MBE firms will not be included on teams.
- MBE firms are concerned that they will only be given staff services type work because primes will be more concerned about meeting the goals than giving them interesting assignments.
- Prime firms will include similar liquidated damage provisions in the MBE subcontract agreements.

My greatest concern is that liquidated damages are not standard practice in the professional services sector. If this entry into the professional services world stands, it is likely to grow exponentially. As the old Arab proverb states: "If the camel once gets his nose in the tent, his body will soon follow." We can't let these liquidated damages provisions go unchallenged or we better be willing to accept that they will be widely used in other areas. I can envision a procurement officer or a government attorney thinking that liquidated damages should be included in contracts for not meeting: project schedules, budgets, invoices, etc.

So what is being done to turn this issue around? As I mentioned previously, the Small Business Committee represented by Malini Glueck and Beverly Pannee led the charge by meeting with the Dep. Secretary of MDOT and the Governor's Office of Minority Affairs. Their efforts were supported by Joe Makar, Jim Otradovec and me. While we have no definitive answers on modifying the specifications, we did see a willingness to listen to our concerns from MDOT and at least, we were heard by GOMA. Our Legislative Committee will also look into what can be done to modify the law requiring liquidated damages. Stay tuned!

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THANKS AGAIN FOR HELPING ACEC/MD PUSH TOWARD ITS ACEC/PAC GOAL

Thanks to the generous contributions of ACEC/MD member firm representatives, ACEC/MD has raised almost \$20,000 to assist ACEC in carrying the profession's message to our elected members of Congress. Spearheaded by Maryland's ACEC/PAC Champion Jeff McBride (EBL Engineers), ACEC/MD is about to achieve its goal for the ninth straight year.

Central to this effort was the tremendous response to the ACEC/MD-sponsored raffle. Your support has assisted ACEC in its effort to gain favorable legislation to increase long-term funding for infrastructure, and tax and regulatory reform, such as the recent ruling by the SEC regarding a filing exemption for engineering services. Raffle participants also had the opportunity to win \$3,600 in cash prizes.

This year's winners included:

Eileen Straughan (Straughan Environmental) - \$2,000
Rachel Ellis (Gannett Fleming) - \$1,000
Billie Hall, et al (Parsons Brinckerhoff) - \$400
Gary Miller (JMT) - \$200

Thanks to everyone for helping ACEC support pro-business candidates in Congress, and assisting our representatives in carrying your message to Congress!

A special thanks to this year's raffle sponsors:

A. Morton Thomas & Associates
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Century Engineering
EBA Engineering
EBL Engineers
Gannett Fleming, Inc.
Johnson, Mirmiran & Thompson
KCI Technologies
McCormick Taylor, Inc.
Michael Baker, Jr., Inc.
Moffatt & Nichol
Parsons Brinckerhoff
RJM Engineering
Rummel, Klepper & Kahl
Schnabel Engineering
Straughan Environmental
Whitman, Requardt & Associates
Whitney, Bailey, Cox & Magnani

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ACEC/MD ANNOUNCES FINALISTS IN THE 2014 ENGINEERING EXCELLENCE AWARDS COMPETITION

One of the highlights of the October 17th General Membership Meeting was the announcement of the finalists in this year's Engineering Excellence Awards Competition. Out of the 27 projects submitted, our distinguished panel of judges selected the following thirteen projects (in alphabetical order):

- 11th Street Bridges, Phase I (Washington, DC) - *Johnson, Mirmiran & Thompson*
- Anacostia Flood Risk Management Rehabilitation Project (PG County, MD) - *McCormick Taylor*
- Anacostia River CSO Control Projects Division C – CSO 019 Overflow and Diversion Structures (Washington, DC) - *Whitman, Requardt & Associates*
- Annapolis Market House Geothermal HVAC System (Annapolis, MD) - *Gannett Fleming*
- Bacterial Source Tracking for Sanitary Sewer Overflow (SSO) Consent Decree (PG & Montgomery Counties) - *EA Engineering, Science & Technology*
- Baltimore Climate Action Plan (Baltimore, MD) - *AECOM*
- Farrar Road Bridge (Ft. Belvoir, VA) - *AB Consultants*
- I-595 & University Drive Interchange (part of I-595 PPP), Davie/Plantation, FL) - *Stantec*
- Inter-County Broadband Network (Central Maryland) - *KCI Technologies*
- John and Frances Angelos Law Center, University of Baltimore (Baltimore, MD) - *Mueller Associates*
- Net Zero Energy Residential Test Facility (NZERTF), (Gaithersburg, MD) - *EBL Engineers*
- Purple Line Light Rail Transit Project FEIS (Montgomery & PG Counties) - *Joint Venture – Gannett Fleming/Whitman, Requardt & Associates*
- US 40 over Patapsco River Bridge (Howard and Baltimore Counties, MD) - *URS Corporation*

This year's judges once again represent a cross section of the engineering industry, including:

Glenn Vaughan, Deputy Director, Office of Structures, MD State Highway Admin.
 Ron Maj, Chief of Engineering, USACE, Baltimore District
 Bruce Wright, Assistant Chief Engineer, Anne Arundel County, DPW
 Will Johnson, City of Baltimore Department of Transportation
 Beverly Pannee, Vice President, RJM Engineering, Inc.
 Angela Perry, Deputy Director of Marketing, Hardesty & Hanover
 Rachel Ellis, Gannett Fleming, Inc.

The initial judging was based on an independent evaluation of an Executive Summary and Press Release for each project. The finalists will now be invited to submit a notebook, due in December, which will be judged by our panel of judges in a group setting. All finalists are now eligible to compete in ACEC's national competition. Mark your calendar for ACEC/MD's Awards Banquet, being held February 20, 2014 when the award winners will be announced.

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ACEC/MD TO HOST FUNDRAISER FOR CONGRESSMAN JOHN DELANEY

ACEC/MD will host a luncheon for influential Maryland Congressman John Delaney on Thursday, November 7, 2013, from 11:45am – 1:00pm, at the Garrett Jacobs Mansion's Courtyard.

Members of the Host Committee include:

Jack Moeller (Johnson, Mirmiran & Thompson)
 Dana Knight (McCormick Taylor)
 Stu Robinson (A. Morton Thomas & Associates)
 Art Barrett (Gannett Fleming)
 Leon Kriebel (Whitney, Bailey, Cox & Magnani)
 Bev Pannee (RJM Engineering)
 Jerry Jannetti (Parsons Brinckerhoff)
 Stu Taub (Wallace, Montgomery & Associates)
 Christopher Fronheiser (AECOM)
 Manny Sidhu (Sidhu Associates)

The suggested contribution per person for this event is only \$125.00, with proceeds going directly to the Congressman's campaign efforts. Mark your calendar for November 7th, and plan on joining your colleagues and friends at this important political event.

The following article explains in detail an important infrastructure initiative that the Congressman is undertaking. The bill was introduced on May 22nd with thirteen cosponsors from both parties.

A \$750 Billion Infrastructure Bank – With No Federal Funds *(Posted on May 19, 2013 by Larry Ehl)*

Can you imagine an infrastructure bank loaning up to \$750 billion to state and local agencies, using no federal funds? Congressman John Delaney can, and will introduce legislation later this week to create that loan program. The proposal is supported by Democratic and Republican Representatives.

The legislation creates the American Infrastructure Fund (AIF). It would be funded by the sale of \$50 billion worth of Infrastructure Bonds which would have a 50 year term, pay a fixed interest rate of 1%, and would not be guaranteed by the U.S. government. According to the Congressman:

- U.S. corporations would be incentivized to purchase these new Infrastructure Bonds by allowing them to repatriate a certain amount of their overseas earnings tax free for every \$1.00 they invest in the bonds. This multiplier will be set by a "reverse Dutch auction" allowing the market to set the rate.
- Assuming a 1:4 ratio, meaning a company repatriates \$4.00 tax-free for every \$1.00 in Infrastructure Bonds purchased, a company's effective tax rate to repatriate these earnings would be approximately 8 percent and the \$4.00 could then be spent by the companies however they chose.

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Repatriation financing has not been real popular in Congress, but Delaney's proposal does have bipartisan support.

What will the Partnership to Build America Act do?

- Finance the rebuilding of our country's transportation, energy, communications, water, and education infrastructure through the creation of an infrastructure fund using repatriated corporate earnings as well as through utilizing public-private partnerships.
- Create the AIF which would provide loans or guarantees to state or local governments to finance qualified infrastructure projects. The states or local governments would be required to pay back the loan at a market rate determined by the AIF to ensure they have "skin in the game." In addition, the AIF would invest in equity securities for projects in partnership with states or local governments.
- The AIF would leverage the \$50 billion of Infrastructure Bonds at a 15:1 ratio to provide up to \$750 billion in loans or guarantees.
- At least 25 percent of the projects financed through the AIF must be Public-Private Partnerships for which at least 20 percent of a project's financing comes from private capital using a public-private partnership model.

What are the benefits of the Partnership to Build America Act?

- Creates a large-scale infrastructure financing capability with zero federal appropriations.
- Creates significant jobs in the short-term and helps U.S. competitiveness in the long-term.
- Allows for repatriation while ensuring U.S. corporations' tax savings are truly invested in the U.S. economy to grow quality jobs.
- Pushes the project selection decisions down to state and local governments who have to have "skin in the game."
- Encourages and creates a framework for growth in public-private partnerships.

The son of a union electrician, the Congressman has an interesting background. According to his bio: He's the "only former CEO of a publicly traded company serving in the House of Representatives, and he has extensive experience as a successful entrepreneur and as a private sector and non-profit leader.

In 2011, Delaney founded Blueprint Maryland, a non-profit dedicated to invigorating Maryland's private sector. Blueprint Maryland gathered businesspeople, educators, labor representatives, and policy experts together to chart a way towards a high-tech, high-information, and economy.

CapitalSource, which Delaney launched in 2000 and became a public company in 2003, lent money to thousands of small businesses around the country and has been recognized by the Treasury Department for lending to disadvantaged communities while also receiving numerous awards as one of the best places to work in the Washington, D.C. region.

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BADGES REFLECT MONETARY CONTRIBUTIONS FOR ACEC/MD POLITICAL ACTIVISM

Firm representatives often need a reminder of the significance of the items that decorate many of the name badges worn at various ACEC/MD events. The items are as follows:

American Flag pin – Signifies a contribution to ACEC/PAC, ACEC's federal PAC. Based on member strength, ACEC assigns a goal for each member organization. This year's goal is \$20,881.

Maryland Logo – Denotes firm contribution to CEPAC, ACEC/MD's state PAC. Total goal for all member firm contributions is \$100,000 over the four-year election cycle or \$25,000 per year. Suggested contributions are based on the size of the firm.

Crab – Denotes individual contribution to ACEC/MD's state PAC, CEPAC.

We thank all of the firms and individuals that have contributed to ACEC/MD's political activism through both their time and monetary contributions. Don't get caught with a "naked" badge at the next ACEC/MD event. Help assist ACEC/MD in delivering to our elected officials a message that it is essential to protect the business interest of the consulting engineering profession.

ACEC/MD 2014 COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

DEADLINE DECEMBER 16, 2013

ACEC/MD is looking for employees of member firms that have made significant contributions to their communities by volunteering their time and expertise. These individuals have enhanced the quality of life for all of us, and we would like to recognize their efforts.

Please note that only the official ACEC/MD representative of a member firm may submit candidates. However, a representative from one member firm may nominate a representative from another member firm.

The deadline for entries in the ACEC/MD competition is December 16, 2013. Contact the ACEC/MD office for nomination forms. The winner in the ACEC/MD competition will be forwarded to ACEC for consideration in their competition.

Thank you very much for helping ACEC/MD spotlight the valuable contribution that ACEC/MD member firm employees make to our community.

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ACEC/MD LEGISLATIVE KICK-OFF BREAKFAST SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 21ST

REGISTRATION—8:00 AM; PROGRAM 8:30-10:00 AM,

The American Council of Engineering Companies/Maryland (ACEC/MD) is pleased to invite you to a complimentary breakfast Thursday, November 21, 2013, at the Engineers Club, 11 W. Mount Vernon Place, Baltimore, featuring political insider Len Lazarick, Editor and Publisher of the MarylandReporter.com . Be our guest and hear political insight and a unique perspective on the upcoming Maryland General Assembly Session. Mark your calendar and plan to join us for this informative assessment of the political landscape.

Due to seating limitations, we may need to limit registrants to no more than three per firm. Register on line at <http://acecmd-legislativebreakfast.eventbrite.com/>, no later than November 14, 2013.

BRIDGE BUILDING COMPETITION TO BE SPOTLIGHTED AT THE MDQI CONFERENCE

As part of the MdQI Conference on February 12 and 13, 2014, for the first time the conference will feature a Bridge Building Competition using wooden craft sticks and glue. This event will be held on February 12 at 4:30 PM at the Vendor Reception. Glenn Vaughan from the SHA Office of Bridge Development will be in charge of this competition.

This fun event will challenge engineers, contractors, agencies and material suppliers that make up MdQI. Because bridges will be loaded to failure and the winner will be based upon an efficiency rating determined by dividing the weight the bridge holds in pounds divided by the weight of the bridge in grams, it promises to be an exciting competition.

The winner of the competition will be announced at the Luncheon on February 13. It is envisioned that this new competition will gain a lot of interest, and complement the always popular Pinewood Derby which will continue to be held.

For more information, please see the MdQI website at www.mdqi.org, or to enter contact SHA's Glenn Vaughan by email at gvaughan@sha.state.md.us. You can then pick up the Bridge Kit and view the load frame that will be used to support the bridges for this competition.

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COURT FAILS TO FULLY UPHOLD CERTIFICATE OF MERIT STATUTE

The Maryland Court of Appeals recently delivered a long awaited decision regarding the state of Maryland Certificate of Merit Law in the Heavenly Days Crematorium LLC v. Harris Smariga decision. The main holding of the case is disappointing in that the Court concluded that the certificate of merit requirement may not automatically be triggered unless the complaint identifies one or more licensed professional who are alleged to have violated the standard of care.

The ruling was delivered as the result of an Amicus Curiae Brief brought on behalf of ACEC/MD by Affiliate member firm King & Attridge. In the brief, the firm argued that as long as authorized professional services are being called into question, it does not matter whether the individual employee, whose acts are in question, is a licensed engineer. The argument was based on the fact that the practice of engineering is allowed to be performed by unlicensed individuals within an engineering firm that are under the responsible charge of licensed engineers. In rendering its decision, the Court seized on the use of the definite article "the" qualifying the term "licensed engineer" to support its conclusion.

According to Pat Attridge, who testified in support of the amended language in 2005 championed by ACEC/MD, it appears that the Heavenly Days opinion paves the way for claimants to search out the services provided by paraprofessionals and blame the problem on those services, and avoid or delay the certificate of merit filing until the purpose of the statute is undermined.

He suggested there might be a need to further amend the law to explicitly make the certificate requirement applicable when non-licensed personnel of the firm engage in the authorized practice of the discipline under the responsible charge of one or more licensed professionals of the firm.

On the positive side, the Court did rule that the certificate requirement applies to actions sounding in contract as well as actions sounding in negligence, and that the 90 day requirement to file a certificate cannot be extended by a motion to waive or modify the certificate filing after the 90 days has expired.

While we are disappointed with the main finding of the Court, the effort demonstrates the importance of supporting the ACEC Minuteman Fund, which partially funded ACEC/MD's Amicus Curiae Brief filing.

The Legislative Committee is already strategizing the introduction of legislation in 2014 that would remedy the finding of the Court. As this remedy is pursued, we look forward to the support of our member firm representatives.

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PLAN TO ATTEND ACEC/MD's

Holiday Party

Tuesday, December 3, 2013

6:00 - 9:00 PM

Baltimore Museum of Industry, 1415 Key Highway, Baltimore

This party is open to member firm employees and their guests, and includes a delightful buffet and open bar. Be sure to join your clients, colleagues, and friends as we kick off the holiday season in style. We have invited representatives of various client groups for this festive evening, so you will definitely want to attend! Watch for registration information.

Holiday Party Sponsorships Available

ACEC/MD would like to once again offer its member firms the opportunity to cosponsor the organization's Holiday Party by selecting one of our expanded sponsorship opportunities.

This gala party will provide a tremendous opportunity to get your name in front of our member firm representatives, while networking with them in a relaxed, comfortable atmosphere. This always popular event will feature open bar and delicious hors d'oeuvres.

As an *Elite Sponsor* (\$1,000) (only two available at this level, and exclusively for our Affiliate Member Firms), your firm would have the opportunity to sponsor the bar at this year's Holiday Party, and would receive:

- Inclusion of your firm's name on a signboard posted at the event.
- Acknowledgement in the January/February, 2014 ACEC/MD newsletter.
- A table to display information about your firm.
- Four complimentary registrations for the event.

As a *Diamond Sponsor* (\$500) of this year's Holiday Party, your firm would receive:

- Inclusion of your firm's name on a signboard posted at the event.
- Acknowledgement in the January/February, 2014 ACEC/MD newsletter.
- A table to display information about your firm.
- Two complimentary registrations for the event.

As a *Patron Sponsor* (\$250) of this year's Holiday Party, your firm would receive:

- Inclusion of your firm's name on a signboard posted at the event.
- Acknowledgement in the January/February, 2014 ACEC/MD newsletter.
- One complimentary registration for the event.

To participate in this festive evening as a sponsor, please contact the ACEC/MD office no later than November 8, 2013, and forward your check, payable to the American Council of Engineering Companies/Maryland, in the amount of \$1,000 for Elite Sponsorship, \$500 for Diamond Sponsorship, or \$250 for Patron Sponsorship for your firm, to 312 North Charles Street, Suite 200, Baltimore, MD 21201.

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The logo for ACEC, featuring the text "ACEC" in a large, serif font, with a stylized arch above the text.



MEMBER NEWS

A. D. MARBLE & COMPANY recently announced the following:

- The new address for the firm is: 10451 Mill Run Circle, Suite 400, Owings Mills MD 21117. The phone number (410-902-1421) and fax number (410-902-8856) remain the same.
- Kristen Goddard, Senior Environmental Planner (kgoddard@admarble.com) is the new ACEC/MD firm representative.

A. MORTON THOMAS AND ASSOCIATES, INC. (AMT) is pleased to welcome *Khossrow (Khoss) Babaei, P.E., S.E.* as an Associate in the firm's Chantilly, Virginia office. He will enhance and develop the firm's structural engineering practice.

DEWBERRY welcomes *Jessica Seipp, PMP*, as a project manager in the firm's Baltimore office. She will be responsible for growing the firm's presence in the TMDL and NPDES markets for the mid-Atlantic region.

GANNETT FLEMING, INC. has announced that ACEC/MD Treasurer *W. Arthur Barrett, II, P.E.*, a senior vice president and director of the Delmarva Region of the firm, has been elected for a one-year term (2013-2014) as president of the Engineering Society of Baltimore.

HARDESTY & HANOVER, LLC, is pleased to announce the acquisition of Lawrie & Associates, LLC, a Virginia-based consulting engineering firm. The firm brings to Hardesty & Hanover a bridge engineering practice internationally renowned for their capabilities in concrete segmental and cable-supported bridge design.

MUELLER ASSOCIATES announces that *Eugene Nerf, Jr., P.E.*, an engineer with 50 years in professional practice, is retiring. An expert in institutional building environments, Gene led the firm as president for 14 years.

NAVARRO & WRIGHT, INC. (N&W) is pleased to announce

- *Mark E. Gaines, P.E.* has joined the firm as Director of Transportation Services.
- *Deborah D. Faust, P.G.* has been promoted to Vice President. She will concentrate on client relationships for transportation services in Pennsylvania and throughout the mid-Atlantic region.

PRIME Engineering, Inc. has changed its business name to **PRIME AE Group, Inc.**

STRAUGHAN ENVIRONMENTAL is pleased to announce the following:

- President *Eileen Straughan* has joined the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science Board of Visitors.
- *Tracy Seymour, P. E.* has been appointed Director of Sustainable Design.
- *Michael Blose, P.E., MBA* has been appointed Director of Water Resources Engineering.

STRUCTURA, recently ranked the sixth "Best Structural Engineering Firm to Work For" in the country by ZweigWhite, is celebrating its 25th anniversary.

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ACEC/MD ANNOUNCES NEW MEMBER

The following firm has been elected to Affiliate membership in ACEC/MD:

ACEC LIFE/HEALTH INSURANCE TRUST

2591 Dallas Parkway, Suite 300

Frisco, TX 75034

Telephone: 800-841-6130; FAX: 877-883-8985

Website: www.aceclifehealthtrust.com

Contact: Lana Oxsen lane@aceclifehealthtrust.com

Brief History and Activities of the Firm: Founded in 1965, the ACEC Life/Health Insurance Trust provides quality, affordable healthcare to ACEC member firms and supports the Member Organizations and ACEC.

We welcome this firm as a member of ACEC/MD. Be sure to add their information to your records. The next time you see one of their representative, please take the time to let them know we're glad that they have joined the Council!

UPCOMING EVENTS

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### *Legislative Breakfast*

*November 21, 2013*

The Engineers Club

11 West Mount Vernon Place, Baltimore

8:00 – 10:00am

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Holiday Party

December 3, 2013

Baltimore Museum of Industry

1415 Key Highway, Baltimore

6:00pm – 9:00pm

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## GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Hosted by the Fellows Committee

**Featured Speaker - Anirban Basu**

*December 19, 2013*

The Engineers Club

11 West Mount Vernon Place, Baltimore

11:30 AM – 1:30 PM

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For more information on these, and other events, contact the ACEC/MD office at 410-539-1592, acecmd@acecmd.org, or go to www.acecmd.org.

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OTHER EVENTS**November 5****Army Corps of Engineers – Industry Day Event**Baltimore. Register at www.nab.usace.army.mil/Business-WithUs/IndustryDay.aspx**November 8****Crush: Judgment at the Mansion – French Wines v. USA Wines**Baltimore. Benefits the Garrett Jacobs Mansion. Includes accompanying entrée stations. For tickets contact Kelsey Windas at 410-579-8100 or kwindas@leachwallace.com.**November 14****Transportation Client Panel**Catonsville. Offered by SMPS Maryland. For more information go to www.smeps-maryland.org.**November 16****Small and General Procurement**Baltimore. Offered by MDTA. To register contact Tonya Wigfall (twigfall@mdta.state.md.us).**November 18****Contract Connections: Military Construction**Linthicum Heights. Panel discussions and the opportunity for one-on-one meeting with procurement officers. Register at contractconnectionsmlcon.eventbrite.com.

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SAVE THE DATE!**UPCOMING EVENTS****NOVEMBER 21, 2013 - LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST (ESB)****DECEMBER 5, 2013 - HOLIDAY PARTY (BMI)****DECEMBER 19, 2013 - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING -
HOSTED BY THE FELLOWS, FEATURING ANIRBAN BASU (ESB)****MARK YOUR CALENDAR!****contact:**

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**ACEC/MD 2013
Engineering Excellence
Grand Award winning
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