

# ***Southwest Chapter***

## **Wisconsin Society of Professional Engineers – December 2019**

### **November LOTO Presentation at Grainger's**

On Thursday, November 21, the American Society of Safety Professionals (ASSP) hosted a presentation on Lockout/Tagout; when it is mandatory and when exemptions may apply.

Mr. Wes Maertz of ASSP presented on this very interesting topic and went through in detail several actual circumstances where machine operators and repair service people either experienced injury or almost experienced injury simply because basic safety rules were misunderstood or misapplied. Knowing the basic rules of LOTO can save injury or even lives.

Some 10-12 people from ASSP and WSPE were in attendance to this very interesting presentation. Great job Wes and ASSP, thanks for the presentation and PDH for attending!

### **Upcoming Events**

- 1) December – ASSE sponsored presentation – T. Egstad, USAF, topic TBA  
Time: 11:30 am – 1:00 pm (lunch buffet attendee expense)  
Date: December 12, 2019  
Place: Pizza Ranch Sun Prairie
  
- 2) February – MATHCOUNTS - This event is approaching rapidly and we need all of the volunteers we can get. If you can spare part of your Saturday (February 8 at the Kromrey Middle School), we would GREATLY appreciate your help! We need proctors and scorers, about 25 in all. Please consider helping us out and watch these middle schools show you their best efforts! Volunteers will receive free coffee, soda, water and doughnuts.:
  - a. Time: 7:45 am – 12:30 pm
  - b. Date: Saturday, February 8, 2020 (2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in February)
  - c. Place: Kromrey Middle School, 7009 Donna Drive Middleton, WI 53562
  
- 3) February – Engineer's Week Award's Dinner
  - a. Time: 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
  - b. Date: Wednesday, February 19, 2020 TBC
  - c. Place: Imperial Garden Restaurant, Middleton, WI

### **Award Survey**

At the beginning of November, a survey was emailed to you to solicit your vote for candidates of your choice that have been nominated to receive an award at the annual February e-week dinner & awards ceremony.

Your input is vital for us to determine which of those nominees are to receive the following awards:

- 1) SW Chapter Engineer of the Year
- 2) SW Chapter Engineer of the Year in Private Practice
- 3) SW Chapter Engineer of the Year in Industry
- 4) SW Chapter Engineer of the Year in Education
- 5) SW Chapter Educator of the Year

Please take a few minutes to complete this survey; we look forward to seeing you at the awards ceremony in February!

### **Chapter Officer Volunteers Wanted**

As you may know, membership involvement has gradually been eroding in most if not all of our 7 chapters over the years since membership fees were placed on the shoulders of the members and removed from the state and private employers.

To address that concern, WSPE is soliciting for Chapter officer volunteers and is willing to reimburse all or part of their NSPE membership dues. By volunteering for 1 year of service as President, Vice-President, Treasurer or Secretary you may be eligible to receive up to 100% of your annual NSPE membership dues.

This offer is open to all 7 Chapters of WSPE. We wish to have officer volunteers for all of our 7 chapters. Each chapter must meet certain requirements and volunteers meet the requirements stated in the reimbursement policy. For complete details, please see our WSPE website "[wspe.org](http://wspe.org)"!

### **Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!**

We would like to take a moment to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a safe, happy and prosperous New Year!