

# AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR ENGINEERING MANAGEMENT EAST TENNESSEE SECTION NEWSLETTER – October 2004

## NEXT MEETING

**Tuesday November 9 at Rothchild**

**Anton (Tony) Veirup, P.E., Construction Engineering Manager with Bechtel Jacobs Company at ETPP.**

## **NOVEMBER SPEAKER**

Mr. Veirup will present his experiences as the Prime Contract Manager for Bechtel National, Inc. on infrastructure reconstruction projects in Iraq. The work encompassed a wide variety of primary infrastructure needs including ports, airports, power, water and wastewater treatment throughout Iraq, all funded by USAID. An overview of this work is at [www.usaid.gov](http://www.usaid.gov).

Mr. Veirup is a civil engineer who has more than 25 years with Bechtel. He has a BSCE from University of Arizona and an MBA from Nova Southeastern University. He has worked in the federal system side of Bechtel for the last 10 years with assignments at SRS and Hanford. He is currently working as a construction engineering manager with BJC at ETPP.

## **TENNESSEE THEATRE TOUR**

Dr. Bill Snyder shared information on the Tennessee Theatre Refurbishment Project with us in May. He discussed the planning and implementation of the refurbishment project and offered an opportunity for some of us to tour the project. Please contact Rod at [rgrubb@prsmcorp.com](mailto:rgrubb@prsmcorp.com) if you want to tour the project.

**UT Engineering STUDENTS** - Tom Etheridge and Dr. Badiru are working to strengthen the relationship between our ASEM chapter and UT Engineering Students. Thanks to the sponsors (CAS, Tetra Tech, and Burns & Roe) who provided the students meals at the September meeting and thanks to all who made them feel welcome. We will continue this cooperation this coming year. Contact Tom ([etheridgejt@ornl.gov](mailto:etheridgejt@ornl.gov)) if you will SPONSOR / HOST a student for the November meeting. It only costs \$20.00. **PrSM, MK Technologies, ORNL, Burns & Roe Enterprises, CAS Services, LLC, & Tetra Tech have offered to sponsor a student for the November meeting.**

**PROGRAMS** – Harry Crotzer is evaluating options for future programs including KUB's major sewer project, homeland security program (ORNL) and local projects of interest. Please contact him if you have ideas and suggestions (933-9090 or [HCrotzer@aol.com](mailto:HCrotzer@aol.com))

**EM Body of Knowledge** – ASEM is supporting activities to develop the Engineering Management Body of Knowledge and a pilot test has been completed in Oak Ridge, Tullahoma, and Huntsville, AL. This will be used for Program Certifications and the development of an EM certification program for Engineering Managers. Please let us know if you would like to help.

**Rothchild** is located at 8807 Kingston Pike in Knoxville. Go one mile east of Cedar Bluff Road on Kingston Pike.  
6:00 – 7:00 PM Social Hour  
7:00 PM Dinner and 7:45 Program

*Cost: \$20.00 members and 25.00 for non-members*

**For Reservations contact Wayne Human at 220-4720 or [Wayne.Human@tetrattech.com](mailto:Wayne.Human@tetrattech.com) by 11 am Monday, November 8.**

Our **ASEM National Conference** was held in Alexandria, Virginia with a focus on Homeland Security. The following National Board Officers were elected:

President: Chuck Keating of Virginia

President-Elect: Henry Weibe of Missouri

Secretary: Our own Rodney Grubb

Southeast Regional Director: Rick Keyser of Chattanooga.

Lou Arnold and George Jasny were recognized as part of the 25 Years of ASEM Celebration at the National Conference. Jim Morris and Rodney Grubb were among eight people recognized for service to the local ASEM chapter. Our chapter was runner-up for the Chapter of the Year Award. (These awards will be presented at the November meeting.)

The 2005 Conference will be held October 26-29 in Virginia Beach in the Ramada Plaza Resort which is on the Beach. The conference theme is “**Organizational Transformation**”.

**ASEM Practitioners Newsletters.** This newsletter is to provide practical and useful information for the practicing engineering manager. Please provide input as to how this can be useful and how it can be improved at [jfarr@stevens-tech.edu](mailto:jfarr@stevens-tech.edu). John Farr is the editor and is looking for ideas and articles.

The Board is considering sponsoring a Saturday morning training session to help our members meet **PDH requirements**. This meeting would involve a 3-4 hour training session that meets state requirements. Please let Pat Bryan know if this would be of value to you.

## **2005 Dues can be paid now**

Contact Harbans Singla 483-0895 to join or pay your dues. (\$90.00 per year includes the Engineering Management Journal, Practitioners Newsletter, and reduction in meal cost at the Chapter meetings).

## **East Tennessee Section Officers (2004-2005)**

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