



APEGBC Okanagan Branch Newsletter—December 2007

Upcoming Events

William R. Bennett Bridge Project Tour Monday, December 10, 2007



Jay Sutton of Westmar Consultants Inc will be hosting a tour of the new William R. Bennett Bridge Project, including the west side approach and pontoon construction at Bear Creek graving dock on Monday, December 10th, 2007 from 2pm to 4pm. The tour will be a great opportunity to come out and see the bridge construction up-close, and have all your bridge questions answered. Attendance to the tour earns a one hour credit for Continuing Professional Development (CPD).

Registration is online, through the APEGBC web site. Cost for this event is \$10 for advance registration, and \$15 on the day of the event. Note that this tour is limited to the

first 20 confirmed participants. Since space is limited, if you have registered and cannot attend, please advise of the cancellation as early as possible, to allow somebody else to use the spot. Site safety requirements require that hard hats and safety vests are worn. A limited amount of safety equipment will be available, so please bring your own if possible.

For more information, contact Vincent LaHaye, email vlahaye@urban-systems.com with the subject line "Bridge Tour".

Event Details:

When: Monday, December 10, 2007, 2:00 - 4:00 pm.

Location: Take the new Campbell Road exit. Within the first few metres of the off-ramp, you must turn sharp right (before the roundabout) and do about a 180 degree turn. If you find you have gone too far, and arrive at the round-about, then you will have to go back to Kelowna and try again (as you can't travel against traffic on the new off-ramp).

Cost: \$10 for advance registration, \$15 on the day of the event

Registration: APEGBC Online Registration at <http://www.apeg.bc.ca/event>

Registration Deadline: Friday, December 7, midnight.



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APEGBC Okanagan Holiday Social

featuring

Matt Cameron and a Mentoring and Future of the Profession Discussion
Monday, December 17th, 2007



The Okanagan Branch of APEGBC is pleased to present a holiday social event scheduled for Monday, December 17th, starting at 6:00 pm, at the Kelowna Yacht Club. Past Branch Chair, and newly elected APEGBC Councillor Matt Cameron, P.Eng. has volunteered to make a short presentation regarding mentoring and the future of the profession, and act as a facilitator for an ensuing discussion. An alarming number of senior engineers could be retiring in the next five to ten years, and a strong mentoring program is a key component to ensuring that their skill and experience is passed along to the next generation. This event will provide a good outlet to discuss mentoring and your company's plan to ensure the next generation of skilled professionals with others that have the same concerns. It will also provide a good opportunity

for EIT's and GIT's to discuss how their mentoring opportunities could be improved.

A selection of appetizer/small plates fare will be served, and a cash bar will be available. Registration will be online, through the APEGBC web site, with a cost of \$25 for professional members and guests, \$20 for EIT's and GIT's, \$15 for student members, and \$30 for non-members. The online registration deadline is midnight on Friday, December 14. If you prefer not to use the online registration, please email ok@apeg.bc.ca with the subject line "OK Branch Holiday Social", and note that at the door pricing applies, which is an additional \$5 above the online registration costs.

Event Details:

When: Monday, December 17, 2007, 6:00 - 9:00 pm.

Location: The Kelowna Yacht Club, 1414 Water Street, Kelowna, BC.

Cost: Online Registration: \$25 for professional members and guests, \$20 for EIT's and GIT's, \$15 for students, \$30 for non-members. For email registration, add \$5 to the applicable online cost.

Registration: APEGBC Online Registration at <http://www.apeg.bc.ca/event>, or email ok@apeg.bc.ca. Note that at the door charges apply for email registration

Registration Deadline: Friday, December 14, midnight.



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Fourth Annual UBCO Update

featuring

Dr. Michael Isaacson and Dr. Spiro Yannacopoulos
Thursday, January 24, 2008.



Dr. Michael Isaacson, Dean of Applied Science for UBC both in Vancouver and the Okanagan, and Dr. Spiro Yannacopoulos of UBCO will present the fourth annual UBC Okanagan update on Thursday, January



24th, 2008. Watch for details in an upcoming newsletter.

APEGBC Okanagan Scholarship Fund

Have you ever wondered what happens to money collected at events above the amount required to pay for the event? For the past year we have been collecting money for a scholarship fund to encourage local students studying Applied Science, and any additional money we collect goes into that fund. If you or your company are interested in contributing to the APEGBC Okanagan Scholarship Fund, or would like more information, please contact Darlene Atkinson by email at datkinson@golder.com.