

Florida Tech ASCE Newsletter

General Chapter

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I would like to thank all the sponsors that helped this year's student chapter of ASCE go to Nationals. The University of Evansville did an excellent job hosting the competition and we are looking forward to attending next year's competition at the University of Nevada, Reno. Over the last summer, we have travelled across five states, bunked together, ate together, and had fun on the long journey.

The competition comprised of a visual display, swamp test, oral presentation, and finally five canoe races. The school was well represented at the competition with the spirit of the southeastern conference motivating the team. We placed ninth overall and won several of the canoe races. Among the participating schools were Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, Cal Poly Pomona, Michigan Tech, Rutgers, Universite Laval, University of California- Berkley, University of Nevada-Reno, University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown and 15 other schools from around the nation and Canada. Florida Institute of Technology was the most enthusiastic school present at the competition. I am proud to call myself a member of the FI Tech Concrete Canoe.



Upcoming Events

There will be a beach party to introduce our new freshmen to ASCE. It will be held at Melbourne Beach next to the Melbourne Supermarket on Labor Day Sept. 5th. Please RSVP by Sept. 2nd on the Facebook page or by sending a message to the Facebook page. The link is provided later in the newsletter

The first general chapter meeting will be September 1st in the Frueauff Building next to Babcock St. The meeting will start at 6:30pm.

Concrete Canoe

Concrete canoe is getting back into the swing of things with the removal of last year's canoe, Renivatio, to make room for this year's winner, The Final Countdown. The canoe and the miniature Vehicle Assembly Building will be on display starting next week hopefully.

Steel Bridge

The new set of steel bridge rules are already out and steel bridge captain, Anthony DeAbreu, is already working on this year's rules. If anybody is interested in doing steel bridge it is suggested that you also familiarize yourself with them.

Contact Us

If you would like to follow the FI Tech ASCE Student Chapter on a day to day basis or would like to see pictures from our adventures to competitions and abroad please friend us on Facebook by following this link:

<http://www.facebook.com/#!/profile.php?id=100001507876587>

If you would still like to donate to the Nationals Competition budget or for our future construction efforts for next year's competition, please send checks to Department Of Civil Engineering, ASCE, attention to Dr. Pandit. Whose contact information is at the bottom of the newsletter or at the FI Tech link by selecting the 2011 ASCE Concrete Canoe National Team and a dollar amount.

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For contributions to the chapter's projects please send checks to: Dr. Ashok Pandit

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