

Florida Tech ASCE Newsletter

General Chapter

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October was a productive and fun month for the chapter. So far the teams have been marking along their individual schedules as planned. The canoe team will have to push back its pour day to next semester due to a lack of man power over break for curing, but the team has gone full force into the theme of the Nautilus. Plans for a new display board and stands have been drawn up and construction will begin soon. The steel bridge remains on schedule and progressing well.

We are trying new ideas on building a community with our chapter by instating a fun night once a month to get together as a meeting and relax. This month, we made jack o lanterns in about a dozen pumpkins and played board games together. The jack-o-lanterns came out extremely well. We would like to thank Alex Armstrong for purchasing the pumpkins for the meeting and everybody that helped provide board games for the meeting.



It is that time of the year when we like to start fundraising for competition. Without the contributions that we get from the people that donate materials, time or money to our endeavors, we would not be able to design, construct and compete to win the competitions in both the Southeastern Regional Conference and the National Concrete Canoe Conference. There will be letters circulating soon to invite everyone to our annual banquet. Please attend to see our progress in person and show support for the FI Tech Chapter of ASCE. This year's banquet is being held at the Tides again and is currently scheduled for January 27th.

Upcoming Events

General Meeting will be Thursday November 3rd at 6:30pm in Frueauff. If you need to pay dues bring \$7 to the chapter meeting.

Come support the Club Baseball Game November 3rd at 8pm at Andy Semnick-Les Hall Baseball Field across from the Harris Village.

Habitat for Humanity Woman's Build:

Saturday November 5th: 12-2pm at Ascension Catholic Church, kick off potluck for new 2012 volunteers. Good time to meet other volunteers and look over the projects that are coming up.

Saturday November 17th: Chili's Restaurant is going to host a Give Back Night with a percentage going to Women Build. You can print off a coupon from the Facebook page (<http://www.facebook.com/HabitatForHumanityWomenBuild>) for Free Chips and Salsa at ANY Chili's in Brevard County on those dates.

For further details please contact Ashley Atkins (aakins2011@my.fit.edu)

Concrete Canoe

Concrete Canoe is hard at work designing mixes and a new hull. The new rules have come out and the team and leadership this year are excited for the changes including the lack of hull restrictions and changes to the endurance and coed races. Our meetings are 6:30pm on Tuesdays in Frueauff 116.

Steel Bridge

Steel has been ordered for the two members we will be testing. We will perform a three point test as well as a weight analysis. Currently the main members are designed and we are focusing on designing the legs. The team is a week away from being fully machine shop

certified. On November 2nd we will be voting on a shirt design. The entire project is on schedule. Anthony DeAbreu.

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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 budget for our construction efforts for this 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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If you would like any additional information please feel free to contact Priyanka Prakash, ASCE President, at pprakash@my.fit.edu