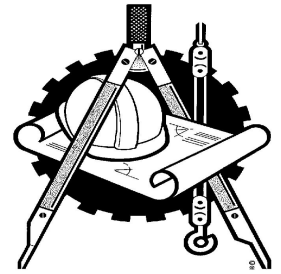

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

FORMAL LUNCH MEETINGS

January 8*/ February 5/ March 4/April 1

*: Skip 1st Tuesday due to holiday conflicts

Meeting Times: 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Formal Meeting Location: **S.O.S. Club, 819**

Sunset Ave. (near Dryden Golf Course)

Click here for a [Map to S.O.S. Club](#)

INFORMAL MEETINGS

Members regularly meet on Tuesdays, 11:30a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Old Mill Café, corner of 9th & F Street in Modesto for camaraderie. No formal program is presented.

BOARD MEETINGS

(7–8:15am, Old Mill Café) [Click for Map](#)

Next Meeting: January 8

FREE LOADER for January:

Lee DeLano

2007-08 OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

Mike Rieben President 526-4214

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Jennifer Pratt Sec./Treas. 571-5860

secretary@modestoengineersclub.org

Steve Davis, Earl Kleinfelder, Ryan Carrel, Doug Samski, Rapunzel Lewis, David Leamon

ATTENDANCE: Last Meeting...

29 members, 3 guests

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Happy New Year!
May 2008 bring us all
good fortune.

I've posted the 75
Year History Video

on our website. Rapunzel created this presentation for our Officer Installation dinner '07. If you haven't had the opportunity to watch it, check it out.

<http://www.modestoengineersclub.org/OurHistory.html>

Our next event is our “2nd Annual Engineers Day at the Mall” @ Vintage Faire Mall on **February 23, 2008** from 12pm to 4pm. The committee met last month to go over details. I will host another meeting on **January 17, 2008** @ 5:40pm at Mid-Valley Engineering (1117 L Street, Downtown Modesto). If you're interested in volunteering or donating supplies please let a committee member know. Engineers Week is February 17-23, 2008. www.eweek.org

Committee Members: Mike Rieben, Rapunzel Amador Lewis, Lee DeLano, Dan Cockrum, Dave Hoberg, Ross Campbell, Stan Adkins, Douglas Samski, Des Orsinelli, David Castro, Jennifer Pratt

We're including a new exhibit this year. This new exhibit is intended to give examples of what our industries provide as their end product. If you are interested in showing projects, plans, exhibits from your firm please let a committee member know so we can reserve a table for you.

I will be sending out a Flier for our event soon. I will also be emailing the list of items needed as well. Any assistance will be greatly appreciated!

Mike Rieben - President

FUTURE PRESENTATIONS/ VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope everyone survived another holiday season and your new year has started off well. We have speakers scheduled through March and I welcome any suggestions from our members for new topics and presenters. I want to thank Lance Krajewski who helped me schedule a speaker for our March meeting, so thank you Lance. 2008 is looking to be a busy and exciting year for MEC and the Modesto Community.

David Castro – Vice-President

This Month's Presentation:

January 8, 2008 – Topic: Engineered Products such as Retaining Walls systems and Permeable Pavement.

Presented by Steve C. Moye from Basalite Engineered Products.

SECRETARY'S NOTES



Just a friendly reminder...it is time that we all need to renew our Modesto Engineers Club membership. The current renewal form is posted on the Club's website. Please fill the form out and return them to me so I can update our records. If you are an Honorary Member, please also fill out this form so I can make sure all the contact information is still correct.

Jennifer Pratt – Secretary/Treasurer

STANDBY AGENDAS

The Board would like three standby speakers for the monthly meetings. The standby presentations should be from the existing membership. These presentations would be in case the guest speaker has an emergency or is sick and cannot make it. Standby speakers would receive as little as 2 hours of notification (A real Toastmaster challenge). If you would consider being a standby speaker, please contact David Castro.

MEETING LOCATION

Our formal meetings are at the SOS Club, 819 Sunset Avenue (near Dryden Golf Course), ph. 578-5801. Tuesday's menu features a buffet style meal. **Please pay the \$10.00** to the treasurer, Jennifer Pratt, (half off for Students). The beverage, tax and tip are included. We have the Mellis Room reserved. The main courses will vary each week. Please park in the street or at Dryden Golf Course. The club parking lot is for SOS Club members only.

Click here for a [Map to S.O.S. Club](#)

OUTREACH EFFORTS FOR NEW MEMBERS

The Outreach committee is designed to market the Club to potential new members. Every member can be a part of this effort by forwarding along our monthly newsletter and talking about the club. Please extend offers to join the club to your colleagues.

ABOUT THE ENGINEERS CLUB

AN INVITATION

The Modesto Engineers Club is pleased to invite you to join its membership.

PURPOSE OF THE CLUB

The preamble of the club by-laws is quoted: "The object of this club, primarily, is to provide an organization in which Engineers of all branches of the profession may come together, and through which they may cooperate and foster fellowship and the

development of the engineering profession in public affairs and community welfare".

WHO MAY JOIN

The by-laws are further quoted: "The membership shall consist of those who are or have been engaged in the direction or prosecution of engineering or architecture, or teachers of students of engineering or other allied sciences".

CLUB ACTIVITIES

The Club meets once a month on the first Tuesday from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the SOS club. The program usually consists of a speaker on technical subjects and local affairs of interest to engineers. There are several social affairs during the year, which include the annual President's Steak Fry, A Valentines Day luncheon, the annual trip to Woolgrowers restaurant in Los Banos the annual Officers Installation Dinner and the Christmas Stag Party. Spouses and guests are welcome at most functions.

THE COST

A \$25.00 initiation fee and first years dues of \$25.00, \$50.00 total is payable with the submission of application. Thereafter the dues are \$25.00 per year to renew. New members will receive a certificate of membership and a nametag will be provided for our formal lunch meetings. Members pay for their own lunches, and for meals at other events.

SIZE OF CLUB

The club, having been founded in 1932 enjoys a wealth of former members, and approximately 67 active members. They represent many of the public works engineers, consultants, utility companies, and suppliers of construction and engineering materials.

THE APPLICATION

We would be pleased if you complete the application. Please obtain the signatures of two active members. After submittal of your application, it will be read at the meeting. At the next meeting at which the applicant is present, membership will be based on a two-thirds affirmative vote of members present. You will then be inducted. The ceremony is simple, but dignified. Applicants are welcome to attend weekly meetings while their applications are pending.