



Northern Chapter Newsletter

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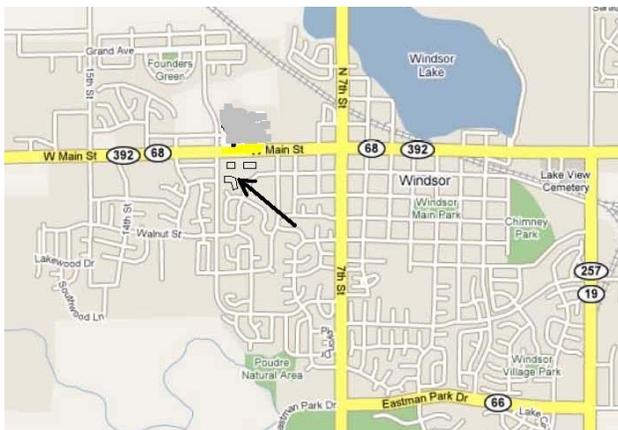
GREETINGS!

Mark your calendars! Our annual PEC wine tasting event is scheduled for January 19, 2008 at the Masonic Temple. This event is a wonderful evening of fun, terrific wines, food, and fellowship. Once again our event will feature the talented Claude Robbins as our Master of Ceremonies and the proceeds will go towards funding the Mathcounts competition. We will discuss this event more at the October chapter meeting and will be looking for volunteers for the wine tasting committee to help ensure this event continues to be a wonderful success!

-Brian Smith, P.E.

DECEMBER MEETING

Please join us for a lunch meeting at noon on December the 13th at Firehouse Restaurant in Windsor.



The annual wine tasting event is fast approaching. This month we plan to meet for lunch and fellowship for a time and then discuss the details and plans for this year's biggest fund raising event. Brian Smith, Chapter President and Jerry Hager will conduct the meeting. The success of this event helps provide a large portion of the scholarship fund for the chapter. Please make plans to attend this month's meeting.

ENGINEERING NEWS WANTED!

As the new year gets underway we are encouraging all members to let the chapter know about functions, events, or even trips you were involved in this summer that relate to our profession. The topics may be specific to an interesting project you were able to visit or conference you attended. We would also like any photos relating to the information. Please forward any news worthy information / articles to Aaron Clauson at 970-302-2511 (aaron@bigrmfg.com) for inclusion in future newsletters.

THE ANNUAL NORTHERN CHAPTER PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS WINE TASTING PARTY



**Saturday January 19, 2008
6:00 p.m.**

Fort Collins Masonic Temple
225 West Oak Street
(Three blocks north of Mulberry and two blocks
west of College)

Price \$40.00 per person
Contribution to Northern Chapter PEC Mathcount Fund

The annual Northern Chapter PEC wine tasting party will be held at the above date and place. This event is

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open to anyone who has an interest in wine and food. So invite your friends who might enjoy this event and help us raise money for our annual Northern Chapter PEC Mathcounts Contest. This will be similar to last year's PEC wine tasting except we will offer more wine with the food.

The theme of this year which was selected by those who attended last year will be wines and foods from Spain and Portugal. Claude Robbins has again graciously agreed to lead the wine tasting program. Claude will provide historical and technical information about the region and its wine.

Did you know that Spain has more area plant in vines for wine production than any other country and that the Spanish law requires the use of oak barrows made from American oak tree for some of their highest quality wines?

No other country the size of Portugal has the large variety of wines from both native and imported grapes. This small country offers a large variety of wines from fresh crisp white wines to full body reds. These two countries offer volumes for the wine enthusiast. Mr. Robbins will briefly explain the origins and development of wines in this region. Food common in the region will be served with the various wines to demonstrate wine and food paring.

If you have not attended one of our previous wine tasting parties, I am sure you will be impressed with Mr. Robbins' knowledge of wines, how much you learn, and what an enjoyable time you had. Claude Robbins is one of only 50 Master of Wine Arts (MWA) in the United States and one of only two Master Wine Educators west of the Mississippi. He is currently, president of the International Wine Guild and he and his associates offer a wide variety of wine classes at the Aurora Campus. Information on these classes can be obtained from their web site (internationalwineguild.com).

To Make Reservations

Call Jerry Hager (970-212-1516), or Aaron Clauson (970-347-2207)

NCPEC DECEMBER MEETING

DATE: Thursday, December 13th
TIME: Noon
DRESS: Casual

CONTRIBUTION: \$12 per Member
 \$6 Students

LOCATION: Firestation Restaurant in Windsor

PROGRAM: Planning meeting for this years Annual
SPOUSES AND GUESTS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

PEC NOTES & UPCOMING MEETINGS!

TENTATIVE MEETINGS & PROGRAMS

January (1/24/08) Subject to Change
 Dr. Albert Molinas, P.H.D., P.E. was a professor from Colorado State University and President of Hydro-Tech Inc., a firm specializing in hydraulic modeling and computer software. We will tour a current model under study at CSU and have dinner in Fort Collins.

February TBD.

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OFFICERS WANTED! – The Northern Chapter is looking for committee chairs for Membership, Student Liaison and Bridge Building for the 2007/2008 year. Please contact Brian Smith at 970-377-3602 if you are interested in serving in these positions for the Northern Chapter.