



## Mark Your Calendar (2002)

### General Membership Meetings

(Breakfast 7:30 a.m.)

- January 17
- March 14
- May 9
- July 18
- September 12

### Business Practice Committee Meetings

(Breakfast 7:30 a.m.)

- February 14
- April 11
- June 13
- August 8
- October 10

### SEAC Board of Directors Meetings

(7:30 a.m.)

- January 3
- February 7
- April 4
- June 6
- August 1
- October 3

### Annual Dinner Meeting

- November 7  
6 - 9 p.m.

## ANNUAL DINNER MEETING

Please come and join us at our Annual SEAC Dinner Meeting, scheduled on November 7, 2002. This meeting is open to all SEAC members and their guests. The evening will begin with a social time and cash bar at 5:30 PM. Dinner will follow at 6:15 PM. Beginning at 7:15 PM, we will conduct a brief business meeting, honor two past SEAC presidents, **Michael Huwaldt** (1991) and **Kent Petersen** (1992), and announce nominees for next year's Office of Secretary and Director's positions. Additional eligible candidates may be nominated from the floor. Around 7:30, our entertainment portion of the program will begin.

Our guest speaker this year will be **Robert L. (Ben) Brungraber, Ph.D., P.E.** from Benson Woodworking Co., Inc. He is joining us from Walpole, New Hampshire. Ben is bringing his enjoyable and informative presentation on Heavy Timber Framing with him. This presentation, although a break from the traditions of presentations from years past, should be enjoyed by all. **Ben Nelson** and **Brent Norris** were so enthralled with his presentation at last year's NCSEA Annual Conference that they decided they had to bring Ben to Colorado. He is no stranger to Colorado, receiving his first M.S.C.E. from CSU in 1978. He received his B.S.C.E. from Cornell University in 1974. He received a second M.S.C.E. and his Ph.D. from Stanford University. Ben has taught a variety of courses at several universities. In addition to his teaching background, he has worked in the heavy timber engineering industry for 25 years, including his current 16 year association with Benson Woodworking Co., Inc. Benson Woodworking Co. Inc. is one of the older and more highly regarded, timber framing companies in the US. You will recognize some of the results of all that work because it resides right here in Denver. His presentation will provide you with the warm and cozy feeling a timber-framed structure brings and also tickle your funny bone. Plan to leave this spot open on your calendar so you can attend.

Although this dinner meeting will be partially subsidized by SEAC, there will be a \$30.00 charge per person for the evening. This can be paid in advance or at the door. Checks or correct change will be appreciated.

**IMPORTANT**

Please email your reservations for you and your guest to Greg Larson at [glarson@jvajva.com](mailto:glarson@jvajva.com), or phone him at 303-444-1951. **Reservations MUST be made BEFORE 12:00 noon on Monday, November 4, 2002.** Reservations made after that time cannot be accommodated because of deadlines with the hotel.

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome to our last scheduled newsletter for 2002. The year has flown by. We've been involved in a few good things this past year. I particularly enjoyed taking the road trip to Glenwood Springs. It was a nice drive, too. I suppose the biggest disappointment was the SEAC at the Rockies Night, that wasn't. I guess if that's the biggest disappointment, things were pretty good this last year, wouldn't you agree? I must say it was a very busy year for me, and probably a lot of you. There were some things I had hoped could be accomplished for SEAC, but we just ran out of time. Maybe, if you have a little bit of extra time and energy, you could take over where we left off. That's one of the nice things about the organization. It is capable of handling these starts and stops.

A few updates. The tour at Rocky Mountain Prestress turned out pretty well. There were about 25 people who were able to make it. We were given an informative tour through both, the Structural Plant, and the Architectural Plant. Having spent a few years there, I probably found different things to be interesting than most of the other guests. One thing that I found to be innovative was the photograph that they can cast in concrete. They scan a photograph, cast a block of concrete made with white cement, and have a flatbed plotter spray the coloring additives they typically add to make the colored concrete. Out comes a grayscale photograph that is made of concrete. I'm thinking a concrete photo of the design team cast in the lobby of every precast building! Or a block with their names and logos. What do you think? We owe **John Garlich** and the RMP crew a Thank You for taking the time to show us around and feed us. No, no, no. Don't hang the block in the janitor's closet!

**Paul Irwin**, who moved from the Denver area a few years ago, was the Chair for our Architectural/Structural Liaison Committee. It has proven to be too difficult to carry the committee duties on from a remote location, so he has decided to turn the reigns over to **Julian Lineham**. I would like to thank Paul for his work, and am glad to hear him say he wishes to remain actively involved in the committee. Julian is currently trying to get things rolling, so if anyone is interested in participating on the committee, I am sure he would welcome your enthusiasm. His contact information is listed in the roster available on the [www.seacolorado.com](http://www.seacolorado.com) website.

Ahhh, the website. It's getting there. A ways to go yet, but it is coming along. Please check it out occasionally. The Website Committee is working hard to develop it into a useful tool. As a reminder, don't forget you can send electronic photos of your jobs that you think others might enjoy to **Richard Huddleston** at Zimkor. He will post them on the website. Unfortunately, there are some errors and omissions in the posted roster, but those should be corrected soon.

Well, I guess this is it for me. My last message. I know, you're probably glad that it is over. When I wrote my first letter last December, I spent some time trying to come up with a name for the column. I was trying to compete with Dave's Discourse and Ed's Eloquence. How could I compete with those!? I thought of Brent's Bailiwick (I don't have one of those), Brent's Bedazzlement, Brent's Ballad (Yaah, Right!), Brent's Bantering, and my

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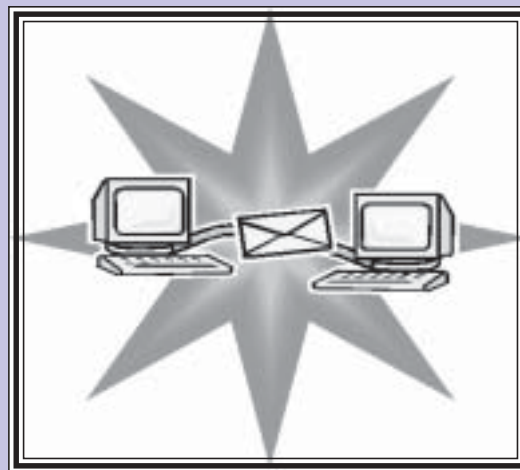
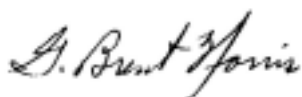
*President's Message*.....

favorite, Brent's BS. You may have wished for Brent's Brevity, but I'm not known for that. Since my favorite didn't seem appropriate, we went with the Pres' Message theme.

So, no more BS. I am truly honored to have been selected to serve you. Yes, it has involved some work, but I found it worthwhile, and enjoyable. I would like to remind you to please offer your thanks to **Ed Buteyn** and **John Garlich** for all of their hard work and guidance. Their terms will be up at the end of this year, but, although they deserve a rest, we hope they will remain actively involved with SEAC. It has been a pleasure working with them. It has also been a great pleasure working with all of you. And we'll continue that into the future. My first big task will be helping to set up the 2003 NCSEA Annual Conference. Plan on attending that next year. If you have any suggestions for guest speakers and topics from Colorado, please let me know.

I must admit that I looked at a few columns from past presidents to try to kick start the creative juices. One trend I noticed is that there is an almost universal tendency to include inspirational comments in the messages. We seem to have all tried to instill a sense of duty into our fellow constituents. I don't know if it is because we think it is a responsibility of our position in the organization, we are just trying to get some help, or what? I do know I have grown from this experience. It has enriched my life and maybe even my career a little. It is a rewarding endeavor. You have given me the opportunity to be proud of my minor contributions to SEAC. When your time is right, or maybe a little sooner, step up and volunteer. You, too, may have the chance to add something else to your lists of things you are proud of.

Thank you. I look forward to seeing you at our annual dinner, and in the future.



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***SEAC Member Elevated to  
ASCE'S Highest Level***

Washington, DC - The American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), The nation's oldest engineering society, has elected Richard Weingardt of Denver, CO an Honorary Member. He is the 511th person to be recognized by the ASCE in its 150 years of existence, since its founding in 1852.

The distinguished ASCE Honorary Member grade is reserved for a person who has attained acknowledged eminence in some branch of engineering or in the arts and sciences related thereto.

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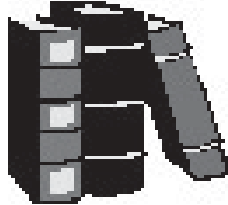
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