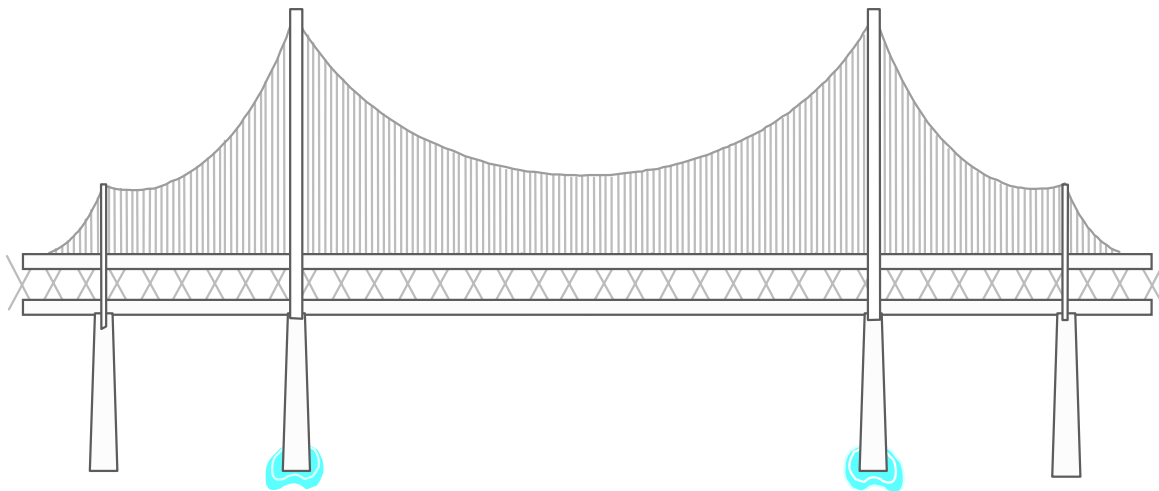


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**OZARK CHAPTER of the
MISSOURI SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS 20TH ANNUAL
"MODEL BRIDGE CONTEST RESULTS"**



THE OZARK CHAPTER OF THE MISSOURI SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS (MSPE) HELD ITS TWENTIETH ANNUAL MODEL BRIDGE CONTEST FOR LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ON APRIL 1, 2009. THE STUDENTS DESIGNED AND CONSTRUCTED BRIDGES OF BASSWOOD MEMBERS $3/32'' \times 3/32''$ TO SPAN A DISTANCE OF APPROXIMATELY ONE FOOT. AT THE CONTEST, THESE WERE LOADED TO FAILURE AND JUDGED ON THEIR EFFICIENCY, OR THE RATIO OF THE WEIGHT THAT THE BRIDGE CARRIED TO THE WEIGHT OF THE BRIDGE. THIS YEAR THERE WERE 431 BRIDGES REPRESENTING 19 AREA HIGH SCHOOLS ENTERED IN THE CONTEST. **FIRST PLACE WENT TO DOUG OSS** OF OZARK HIGH SCHOOL WHOSE 20.99 GRAM BRIDGE CARRIED A LOAD OF 107.38 POUNDS FOR AN EFFICIENCY OF 2320. **SECOND PLACE WENT TO JOSH ADAMS** OF PARKVIEW HIGH SCHOOL WHOSE 15.21 GRAM BRIDGE CARRIED A LOAD OF 67.22 POUNDS FOR AN EFFICIENCY OF 2005. **THIRD PLACE WENT TO DUSTIN GREEN** OF OZARK HIGH SCHOOL WITH HIS 20.57 GRAM BRIDGE SUPPORTING A LOAD OF 88.90 POUNDS FOR AN EFFICIENCY OF 1960. FURTHERMORE, DOUG AND JOSH ARE NOW ELIGIBLE TO COMPETE IN THE 32ND ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE BUILDING CONTEST TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2009 IN BELLINGHAM, WASHINGTON. THESE THREE STUDENTS WERE REWARDED WITH CASH PRIZES FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING EFFORTS AND THE MISSOURI SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS WISHES TO EXTEND THEIR CONGRATULATIONS.