



# MSPE Central Chapter News

Missouri Society of Professional Engineers – Central Chapter Newsletter

January 2008

## January Meeting

Tuesday, January 15, 2008  
6:00 – 8:00 PM

**Heidelberg Restaurant**  
410 S. 9th St.  
Columbia, Mo.

MSPE Meeting Agenda:  
New Business

Speaker:  
**Bill Florea**  
**Senior Planner**  
**Boone County Planning**

Topic:  
**Bonne Femme Watershed Plan**

Spouses and Guest Welcome  
RSVP to David Wilkinson at 573-474-9456 or  
[david.wilkinson@wastewater.com](mailto:david.wilkinson@wastewater.com)

Note: Attendees may choose from selected menu.

This program may count as a Professional Development Credit.

## President's Message

Dear Chapter Members,

I hope everyone survived the holidays! We are looking to start another banner year, with fresh and interesting topics. This month's speaker will cover the work involved in the Bonne Femme Watershed Planning. For those not familiar with the plan, the Bonne Femme Watershed consists of the streams between Columbia and Ashland, including those within Rockbridge State Park. The main goal was to protect the streams in that area from non-point source pollution. Please join us on January 15th to hear Bill Florea from Boone County Planning explain how this project is helping to preserve the environment.

Consider giving some of your valuable time to assist with the local MATHCOUNTS competitions next month. It is a very rewarding way to encourage our brightest middle-schoolers to excel in math, and perhaps even go on to study engineering. Details can be found in this issue. Also, after serving as our chapter's MATHCOUNTS Coordinator for several years, Sandra Cupp, P.E. will be stepping down after next month's competitions. If you have administrative talents, and love the idea of promoting mathematics to young people, please consider serving in this position. Again, more details can be found in this issue. And Thank You to Sandra for all the time and effort put in to MATHCOUNTS over the past four years.

Best Regards,  
David Wilkinson, EIT  
Central Chapter President

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The Central Chapter MATHCOUNTS competitions are coming up:

- **Kirksville - Saturday, February 2**
- **Columbia - Saturday, February 9**

Central Chapter MATHCOUNTS Coordinator Sandra Cupp, P.E. is asking for volunteers for both competitions to help with proctoring, grading and administering the Countdown Round. Proctors are needed from 8:50 am – 12:00 pm, Graders are needed from 10:00 am – 12:30 pm. The Countdown Round, which everyone is invited to attend, will start at 1:30 pm and last until approximately 2:30 pm. Anyone wishing to volunteer can contact Sandra at (573) 445-0106 or by email at [sandra@shellengr.com](mailto:sandra@shellengr.com).

The mission of MATHCOUNTS is to increase enthusiasm for and enhance achievement in middle school mathematics throughout the United States. Currently celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary, MATHCOUNTS has helped more than 7 million students develop their mathematical abilities by tackling MATHCOUNTS problems. Local competitions have been held in Kirksville and Columbia for the past several years. Please consider giving up some of your weekend to assist with this very worthy cause.

More information about MATHCOUNTS can be found at <http://www.mathcounts.org/>.

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## New MATHCOUNTS Coordinator Needed

The Central Chapter is looking for someone to take over as the MATHCOUNTS Coordinator after next month's competitions. Sandra Cupp, P.E. is stepping down after 4 years. Duties of the Coordinator include reserving a competition location and other administrative duties, communicating with coaches, securing volunteers, orchestrating the competition, and ranking students and teams.

For more information, feel free to contact Sandra or Chapter President David Wilkinson. If you think you may be interested, please consider volunteering for this year's Feb. 9th competition.

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### **News items of interest to the Chapter can be sent to:**

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