



# Spokane Chapter

Washington Society of Professional Engineers

## Ethics Round Table

Moderated by: Kulwant (Ken) Sahi, P.E., NW Regional Manager of Krazan and Associates, Inc.

- Date:** Monday May 12, 2008
- Time:** 11:45 – 1:30
- Location:** Bombay Palace  
128 West 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Spokane  
(Next to Days Inn at 3rd and McDonald)
- Parking:** Free parking *is* available for this event
- Lunch:** Lunch buffet for \$7.99

**\*\* For estimated headcount, please RSVP to Leonard Byrne via e-mail [byrne@cet.com](mailto:byrne@cet.com) or 928-8561 \*\***

*All are Welcome!!*

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## **CHAPTER NEWS**

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### **Engineering Explorer Post 725**

The post advisor (Ken Hemmalman) is stepping down at the end of the season and we are looking for a replacement. If you are interested, please contact Mike Dolan or Leonard Byrne.

### **MathCounts 2008 Competition**

Everything went well at both the local and state competitions. The students had a great time and the parents and coaches were all very appreciative. The results were as follows:

#### ***Local Individuals***

- 1<sup>st</sup> / 2<sup>nd</sup> (tie) - Justin Heftel (St. Georges) / Jacob Frederick (Sacajawea)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - Greg Luntzel (Sacajawea)
- 4<sup>th</sup> - Erin Kaya (St. Georges)

#### ***Local Teams***

- 1<sup>st</sup> - St. Georges
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - Sacajawea
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - Northwood
- 4<sup>th</sup> - Gary

#### ***State Competition***

St. Georges and Sacajawea both sent a team along with one other individual from St. Georges. One student from Sacajawea place 35<sup>th</sup> out of 156 individuals and as teams, Sacajawea was 16<sup>th</sup> and St. Georges was 20<sup>th</sup>.

Chris Heftel offered the use of the Lincoln Center for next years Math Counts and also has ideas on how to improve publicity.

*Provided by Scott McDonald*

### **Financial Report**

We are sending a check for \$2,300 to the Bridge Contest winners for their trip to the International Bridge Contest. We also supported the State MathCounts participants with checks totaling \$1,000. Bridge Contest receipts this month were \$1,100. With these transactions, the Chapter has a balance of \$5,000 (~\$2,000 in checking and \$3,000 in savings).

Bruce will contact Duane Duff to get the more than \$400 currently held by the WSPE Education Foundation under the Spokane Chapters Name.

*Provided by Bruce Turner, P.E.*

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## **BORPEL NEWS**

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The Washington State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors have recently distributed two significant legislation modifications.

### **Electronic Signatures and Licensing Stamp Modification (WAC 196-23)**

A CR-103 (final rule) was submitted to the Code Reviser on April 24, 2008 for publication in the Washington State Register. Effective July 1, 2008, WAC 196-23 now states that the date of license expiration should be removed from the approved professional engineer stamp image. In addition, a scanned or digitized signature is now allowed on documents to allow for electronic submittal of documents. The notice has not yet been published, but see <http://www.dol.wa.gov/business/engineerslandsurveyors/elchanges.html> for the specific revised language.

### **Revisions to Requirements to Become a Licensed Profession Engineer (WAC 196-12)**

A CR-102 (proposed rule) was submitted to the Code Reviser April 2, 2008 for publication in the Washington State Register (WSR 08-08-121). The proposal would provide more concise language overall, allow waivers of the fundamentals of engineering exam and 4-years practical experience for those obtaining a PhD in a program approved by the Board, modify reexamination requirements, allow an examination to be conducted orally, modify the timeline for a temporary license to practice, and clarified requirements for retired status. The public comment period ended May 2, 2008 and those comments. For the proposal, see <http://www.dol.wa.gov/business/engineerslandsurveyors/elchanges.html>.

### **BORPELS Special Meeting**

The next BORPELS meeting will be:

June 11–12, 2008

Clarion Hotel  
31611 20th Ave S  
Federal Way, WA 98003

The public is welcome to attend both the practice committee meetings and the Board meeting. Add your name to the listserv at <http://www.dol.wa.gov/business/engineerslandsurveyors/elmaillist.html> to ensure you receive releases from the Board in a timely manner.



**Theodore O. Wright**

**January 17, 1921 - March 16, 2008**

**Birthplace:** Gillette, Wyoming

**Resided In:** Issaquah, Washington USA

Theodore O. Wright, of Issaquah, died peacefully at home in Issaquah, Washington, on Sunday, March 16, 2008. He was 87 years old.

Ted was born on January 17, 1921, in Gillette, Wyoming, the son of James Otis and Gladys Mary (Marquiss) Wright, and was raised on the family's ranch. He earned a BSEE at the University of Illinois, and a MS-Engineering at the University of Washington. Ted served in the USAF from 1942-1965, retired as a Lt. Colonel and received the Purple Heart and Air Medal. He worked at Boeing Renton as a research and aeronautical engineer until he retired in 1981. Ted remained in private practice as a consulting forensic engineer in Bellevue, and was active in NSPE, ASTM, WSPE and the U.S. Metric Association until his death. His avocations were flying, photography, and archaeology. Ted was an exceptional man who lived an extraordinary life, and he will be sorely missed by all those who knew him.

Military services are planned to honor Lt. Col. Wright on June 20th in Gillette, Wyoming.

Survivors include spouse, Edith Marjorie Wright of Issaquah, daughters Marjorie J. Joslyn and Elizabeth C. Ciancio of Issaquah, Barbara J. Blackburn of Redmond, Mary Suzanne Wright of Minnesota, and son, Theodore O. Wright, Jr. of Seattle. Ted had five grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

The family suggests remembrances to the Wright Centennial Museum in Wright, Wyoming. Friends and family are invited to share memories and sign the family's on-line guest book by clicking on the link <http://www.flintofts.com/>. Arrangements are by Flintofts Issaquah Funeral Home.

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Bob, and all,

To add to list of details regarding Ted, let me add that Ted was one of three who established the WSPE Education Foundation in the early 80's. The other two are Howard Pettibone and myself; Ted was very influential in these affairs.

*Alan Werner, P.E., F.NSPE*

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**From:** Kenneth McGowan [mailto:ken.mcgowan@cbengineers.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 31, 2008 8:01 AM  
**Subject:** RE: Theodore O. Wright, P.E. Passed Away March 23, 2008

All,  
Ted was a man of passion, vim and vigor, and many accomplishments.

He will be sorely missed.

It's hard to imagine joint Lake Washington and Seattle Chapter meetings without his presence.

The best to his wonderful wife Marjorie.

Ken

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**From:** Robert Parnell [mailto:rnparnell@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 30, 2008 9:36 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Theodore O. Wright, P.E. Passed Away March 23, 2008

Ted et. al.:

Thank you for the information on Ted Wright, PE. It was not something I wanted to see or hear.

In the past WSPE has sent flowers and other remembrances to past members spouses and family.

Ted has been a long and true supporter of NSPE, WSPE, Seattle Chapter, Mathcounts, and the WSPE scholarship fund.

He has been a strong supporter of the metric system for the US.

Hopefully, there will be some of us that may want to go to Wyoming in June.

Do you know of any specific arrangements at this time?

Bob Parnell

## 2007 – 2008 CHAPTER OFFICERS

### Executive Board:

President	Leonard Byrne, PE	928-8561
President-Elect	<b>OPEN</b>	
Vice President	<b>OPEN</b>	
Secretary/Treasurer	Bruce Turner, PE	624-8125
Director (2 <sup>nd</sup> Year)	<b>OPEN</b>	
Director (1 <sup>st</sup> Year)	Alan Bain	534-9711
Past President	Ray Watkins, PE	208-666-4001
WSPE President Elect	Beth Fifield Hodgson, PE	328-7500

### Chapter Committee Chairs:

Engineers Week	<i>Not held during 2008</i>	
Explorer Post #725	Mike Dolan, E.I.T.	358-2075
Math Counts	Alan Bain	534-9711
Membership	Beth Fifield Hodgson, PE	328-7500
Model Bridge Building	<b>OPEN</b>	
Newsletters	Beth Fifield Hodgson, PE	328-7500
Scholarships	Alan Gay, PE	328-5139
Team JETS	Gail Allwine, PE	328-4220

## 2007 – 2008 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

*Modifications or additions are emphasized in red.*

<b>April 2008</b> 14: Spokane Chapter Meeting	<b>May 2008</b> 12: Spokane Chapter Meeting 16 – 17: WSPE BOT @ Leavenworth	<b>June 2008</b> 9: Spokane Chapter Meeting
<b>July 2008</b>	<b>August 2008</b> TBD: Summer Social	<b>September 2008</b> 8: Spokane Chapter Meeting 26 – 27: WSPE BOT @ Spokane
<b>October 2008</b> 13: Spokane Chapter Meeting	<b>November 2008</b> 10: Spokane Chapter Meeting	<b>December 2008</b> TBD
<b>January 2009</b> <b>12: Spokane Chapter Meeting</b>	<b>February 2009</b> <b>9: Spokane Chapter Meeting</b>	<b>March 2009</b> <b>9: Spokane Chapter Meeting</b>

\*\* All Spokane Chapter meetings are held 12:00 to 1:30 PM at Hill's Restaurant unless noted otherwise.\*\*