



# Acadiana Branch

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

ASCE-Acadiana Branch held the first Branch meeting of the 2000-2001 term on September 13, 2000. The speaker, Miles Bingham, President of ASCE-Louisiana Section, outlined several objectives he intends to accomplish during his tenure as President. Mr. Bingham also presented several awards to deserving ASCE members and installed the new Acadiana Branch officers.

After two years of service to the Acadiana Branch, Ian Trahan, our current President Elect, has resigned. Ian has accepted a job in Illinois and will be leaving Lafayette. We would like to thank him for his service to ASCE and wish him well in his professional endeavors. Elections will be held at the October meeting in order to fill the position of President Elect. The Board has nominated the following individuals:

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| <b>Glenn McCall, E.I.</b> | <b>President Elect</b> |
| <b>Larry Cramer, P.E.</b> | <b>Vice President</b>  |
| <b>John Bosch, E.I.</b>   | <b>Treasurer</b>       |

Once again, we are hosting a membership drive for ASCE. The first five ASCE members to recruit 3 or more new members will be given a \$50 gift certificate to the restaurant of their choice.

PBS is currently airing a five-part television program titled *Building Big* which will educate middle school students on how buildings are designed and constructed. ASCE is excited about this program and anticipates that *Building Big* will generate national public awareness of the Civil Engineering profession and the extent to which Civil Engineers are involved in the everyday lives of the general population. In order to capitalize upon the expected publicity generated by *Building Big*, the Acadiana Branch will promote Civil Engineering by broadcasting a commercial geared toward middle school students and hosting local Building Big Activities. The Activities include Activity Hours, Build - A - Thons and Local Wonders. All programs are designed to encourage children to model local structures using building blocks and ordinary art supplies. The first Build - A - Thon was held in Rayne on July 15, 2000. If you are interested in participating in these events or cordoning the event at your child's school please contact any of the ASCE Officers.

Jan C. Robichaux, E.I

### OCTOBER BRANCH MEETING

- DATE:** Wednesday, October 11, 2000
- PLACE:** A La Carte, "Les Saisons" room  
301 Heymann Blvd.
- TIME:** 11:45 a.m.
- SPEAKER:** **Mr. John Raines**  
Director of Public Works  
Lafayette Consolidated Government
- DINNER:** Stuffed Chicken Breast/Stuffed Pork Chops  
Shrimp Scampi, Cornbread Dressing, Potatoes Au Gratin  
Green Beans Almondine, Eggplant Audrey, Tossed Garden Salad, Dinner  
Roll, English Trifle, Iced Tea, Coffee
- PRICE:** \$12.00 Per Professional  
\$6.00 Per Student
- RSVP:** Please RSVP with Glenn McCall at  
(337) 237-2200 or glenn@fenstermaker.com by October 9, 2000