

# **Texas Society of Professional Engineers Bexar Chapter**

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## **From the President's desk....**



I really enjoyed seeing everyone back at The Barn Door at our November chapter meeting. Lizette Colbert, P.E. gave an informative presentation regarding regional management of TxDOT consultants. Becky Carroll, P.E. also welcomed several new members and new PEs who are all listed in the newsletter. In addition, Dick Kistner, P.E. reported that we collected \$152 in cash/checks plus another \$105 in pledges for the Political Action Committee for Engineers (PACE). The Bexar Chapter also donated \$500 to PACE. Thank you to everyone who participated in supporting grassroots efforts to protect our PE license.

We have a very special lunch event planned at Morgan's Wonderland on December 5th. ASCE will be joining TSPE for a brief presentation followed by a tour of the park. Please schedule a little extra time for this meeting so you can take full advantage of the chance to visit this unique facility.

The Engineers Week Committee is very busy planning our annual events in February. The calls for nominations for Engineer of the Year and Young Engineer of the Year are posted in the newsletter. These awards are very meaningful to the Bexar Chapter and the recipients. Please take a few minutes to review the qualifications and consider submitting a nomination.

I am very thankful to be able to practice engineering in Texas where there are many opportunities to improve the lives of others. I hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving and a restful holiday weekend surrounded by family and friends!

Sincerely,

*Shauna Weaver, P.E.*  
TSPE Bexar Chapter President

**2011-2012 BEXAR CHAPTER TSPE  
OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS**

**CHAPTER MEETING**

<b>President</b>	Shauna Weaver, P.E.	210-375-9000
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Education (ETC, Science Fair)	Alan Esquerria, E.I.T.	210-541-1945
<b>Director 2 (B)</b>	Thomas Hurst, E.I.T.	210-641-9999
Mathcounts	Laura Force, P.E.	210-296-9227
<b>Director 3 (A)</b>	Becky Carroll, P.E.	210-375-9000
Membership	Bryan, Heiner, P.E.	210-375-9000
Engineer's Week	Steven Gonzales	210-826-4611
<b>Director 3 (B)</b>	Miyung Squire, P.E.	210-298-5298
Young Engineer of the Year	Kara Heasley, P.E.	210-349-3271
Engineer of the Year	Ray Pinnell, Jr., P.E.	
<b>Director 6 (PEG)</b>	Vacant	
<b>Director 7 (PEPP)</b>	Frosty Forster	210-771-5721
Executive Director	Diane Hoskins, C.I.C.	210-862-8300

**DECEMBER CHAPTER LUNCH MEETING**

**SUBJECT:** "Accessibility: Morgan's Wonderland"

**DATE:** December 5, 2011

**TIME:** Registration: 11:30 am -12:00 pm  
Lunch, Presentation, and Facility Tour:  
12:00 pm - 1 pm

**LOCATION:** Morgan's Wonderland  
5223 David Edwards Drive  
San Antonio, Texas 78233

**COST:** \$20 member w/Reservation  
\$25 nonmember w/Reservation

**RSVP:** Deadline: Dec. 2 by 3 p.m.  
No shows are responsible for payment

**CONTACT:** RSVP required online at  
[www.bexartspe.org](http://www.bexartspe.org)  
Reservations and online payments are currently open and will close at 3 p.m. on December 2, 2011

**NOTE:** 1.0 PDH meets continuing education renewal of PE license.



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OCTOBER EVENTS

December 5, 2011  
Chapter Board Meeting  
10:30 am  
Morgan's Wonderland

December 5, 2011  
Chapter Lunch Meeting  
12 pm  
Morgan's Wonderland

# Congratulations!

Congratulations to the following new Professional Engineers:

- Ryan T. Coggins, P.E.
- Adam S. Wosneski, P.E.

# New Members

The Bexar Chapter of TSPE welcomed the following new members:

- Stephen Lin, P.E.

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January Newsletter Deadlines: December 21



## BEXAR TSPE WEBPAGE

The TSPE Bexar Chapter webpage is online. Our web address is [www.bexartspe.org](http://www.bexartspe.org). The webpage has important chapter information including an officer list and calendar of upcoming events!

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Bexar Chapter



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CHAPTER LUNCH MEETING

TSPE AND ASCE



Accessibility:  
Morgan's Wonderland

Morgan's Wonderland was built in the true spirit of inclusion to provide a place where all ages and abilities can come together and play in a fun and safe environment. Morgan's Wonderland, the world's first ultra-accessible family fun park, encompasses 25 acres of rides, attractions, and activities for everyone. (Source: [www.morganswonderland.com](http://www.morganswonderland.com))



Accessibility awards the park has been awarded include:

- Universal Accessibility Design Award  
United Cerebral Palsy, Chicago, Illinois (June 2010)
- TRASA/GCPD Accessibility Award  
Texas Registered Accessibility Specialists Association AND Governor's Committee on People with Disabilities, Austin, Texas (January 2011)

We will be taking a private tour of the Morgan's Wonderland facility as part of this chapter meeting. Please wear appropriate attire.

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TSPE Membership...  
Pass the advantage along.

## 2011 – 2012 Member Appreciation Program

TSPE appreciates the support from the membership for their encouragement of new members. To show our appreciation, we are rewarding you with gifts.

As a member **YOU** already know the advantage membership has given you.

- Promotion of the profession's image
- Recognition from your peers
- Numerous educational courses
- Variety of idea exchange sessions
- Giving back to the community
- Leadership training
- Advocacy before the Legislature
- Educating your hometown community about the engineering profession
- Encouraging future engineers

We are asking that **YOU** share your enthusiasm and value received from membership with the engineers in your community. Your encouragement to join will increase the strength and service TSPE can provide to you. **TSPE is the only organization representing the interest of all licensed Professional Engineers.**

### What's in it for you?

#### **Recruit 10 + new members**

The Member who sponsors the most over 10 receives a two night stay at La Mansion Del Rio, San Antonio (\$600 value)

#### **Recruit 10 new members**

Free one day Annual Conference, Leadership Conference, or Chapter Seminar registration of your choice

#### **Recruit 9 new members**

FREE TSPE (state and chapter) membership dues (\$178.00 value)

#### **Recruit 8 new members**

\$30 TSPE Bucks

#### **Recruit 7 new members**

\$25 TSPE Bucks

#### **Recruit 6 new members**

\$20 TSPE Bucks

#### **Recruit 5 new members**

\$15 TSPE Bucks

#### **Recruit 4 new members**

\$10 TSPE Bucks

#### **Recruit 2 new members\***

FREE NSPE Membership Dues (\$128 value)

#### **Recruit 1 new member**

Name on TSPE Website

**Each new member sponsored**, enters you into a drawing for a \$100 gift certificate.

To receive credit, you must notify the state office each time you recruit a new member. Please e-mail this information to [membership@tspe.org](mailto:membership@tspe.org) or call (512) 472-9286. Prizes are awarded quarterly after new or reinstated member dues are paid in full. *\*To be eligible for free NSPE Membership Dues, two new members must not have been NSPE members before.* TSPE Bucks can be used at any TSPE state or chapter event as well as to purchase items from the TSPE store. Bucks expire one year after they are awarded.

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### Executive Board Minutes

November 7, 2011; Barn Door Restaurant, 8400 N. New Braunfels, San Antonio, Texas 78205

1. Called to order at 10:45 AM by President – Shauna Weaver, PE
2. Officers:
  - President, Shauna Weaver, PE
  - President-Elect, Davy Beicker, PE
  - Vice-President, Lori Dullnig-Warlen, PE
  - Secretary, Jesse R. Guerra, Jr., PE
  - Treasurer, Ian Perez, PE
  - State Director, Mike Coyle, PE
  - Past-President, Allen Dunn, III, PEDirectors:
  - Shaun Condor, PE
  - Carlos Sanchez, PE
  - Thomas Hurst, EIT
  - Becky Carroll, PE
  - Miyoung Squire, PE

1. Newsletter, Advertising, Website, Legis. & Govt. Affairs
2A. Scholarship, Education, Science Fair, Eng. Tech. Challenge
2B. Mathcounts
3A. Membership
3B. Engineer's Week, EOY, YEOY

Practice Director Reports:
  - Diane Hoskins – PEPP
  - PEG/PEC/PEI/PEE - VacantOther Attendees:
  - : in attendance
  - : absent
3. **October Meeting Minutes** – Jesse indicated that the October's meeting minutes were approved via email.
4. **Communications** – Jesse indicated that there were no communications-related announcements.
5. **Treasurer's Report** – In general, Ian discussed the past month's expenditures and/or income to the budget. Also, he reported:
  - He is awaiting the deposit of the scholarship donations that the Chapter made;
  - He is awaiting direction on who to provide the Chapter's ETC donations to.
6. **Officer's Report:**
  - Past President Report: Allen Dunn, III, PE*
    - Not present; no report provided.
  - President Report: Shauna Weaver, PE*
    - Mentioned that she had received correspondence from the National Society of Black Engineers of their desire to partner with TSPE regarding future sponsored events. Shauna was going to refer them to our website as well as any committee members responsible for chapter-sponsored events.
    - Shauna also asked the Board if the Chapter should have a Christmas meeting. See added that ASCE has formally asked for a jointly-sponsored event. The consensus was that both organizations should honor each other's respective rates if they were attended to by them.

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Executive Board Meeting Minutes Continued from Pg. 6

*Vice President Report: Lori Dullnig-Warlen, PE*

- Mentioned that December's meeting would be held at Morgan's Wonderland and that the speaker will be the facility's general manager. A tour of the facility will be included as well;
- Received confirmation that January's speaker will be SAWS' President/CEO, Mr. Robert Puente;
- Lori is trying to line up a speaker from City of San Antonio, regarding their Bond Program
- March's speaker will tentatively be David Benjamin, on construction site safety;
- Lori said that she is looking a speaker at April's Awards Banquet Meeting;
- Lori indicated that May's meeting will be the new officer installation. May's speaker will be the incoming State President of TSPE

*Secretary Report: Jesse R. Guerra, Jr., PE*

- See above ("October Meeting Minutes" and "Communications" Sections).

*State Director's Report: Mike Coyle, PE*

- Not present, no report provided.

*Director 1: Shaun Condor, PE*

- Present; nothing to report.

*Director 2A: Carlos Sanchez, PE*

- Not present, no report provided.

*Director 2B: Thomas Hurst, EIT*

- Mentioned during Shauna's President's Report that the donation towards MathCounts was needed. He initiated a motion to increase the support from the budgeted amount of \$2,500 to \$3,000 to cover all associated expenses. Becky seconded it. The motion was unanimously approved. Ian to write a check for said amount.
- Said that there was the local MathCounts competition held last Saturday and that volunteers were needed for the regional event in February at St. Mary's University

*Director 3A: Becky Carroll, PE*

- Becky reported that as of November 1st, there are 430 current members, 11 are in delinquent status, and 19 members have dropped.
- State is initiating a membership drive (if members sign up 2 new engineers, the State dues will be paid for. If 10 or more new members are recruited, a free two-night stay at the La Mansion is awarded).
- Mentioned that three new TSPE members will be recognized at today's meeting.

*Director 3B: Miyoung Squire, PE*

- Not present; Becky mentioned though that the EOY and the YEOY nominations are being solicited. The nominations are due December 12th.

## 7. Practice Director Reports:

*PEPP Exec. Director: Diane Hoskins*

- Ates on the board Diane reported that PEPP is supporting CoSA Development Services' recommendations in reponse to the CCR (District 3) regarding the consolidation of the appellate boards. There will be 4 Engineers and 4 altern

*PEG/PEC/PEI/PEE:*

- These practice divisions are currently vacant.

## 8. Unfinished Business:

None.

## 9. New Business:

None.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:23 AM.

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# NSPE Fellow Membership Grade

The NSPE Fellow Program is a national program intended to recognize deserving professional engineers who have demonstrated long term professional service at the chapter, state, and national levels of NSPE. The NSPE Board of Directors established the Fellow recognition program to honor those licensed members who have demonstrated exemplary service to the profession, the Society, and the community.

For nomination requirements and application form visit the NSPE website:  
[www.nspe.org/AboutNSPE/fellowmembershipgrade.html](http://www.nspe.org/AboutNSPE/fellowmembershipgrade.html)

**Deadline for Nominations is February 1, 2012**



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## 2012 Engineer of the Year and Young Engineer of the Year

Bexar Chapter TSPE is soliciting nominations for the 2012 Engineer of the Year and Young Engineer of the Year, who will be honored at our Annual Banquet in February 2012. Engineer of the Year Nominees are to be licensed Texas Professional Engineers (age 35 or older) and members in good standing with TSPE. Young Engineer of the Year Nominees are to be licensed Texas Professional Engineers or Engineers in Training (age 34 or younger) and members in good standing with TSPE.

If you would like to nominate someone for **Engineer of the Year** please submit your nominations to John A Brogan, P.E. (retired): home phone 210-342-0586 or cell phone 210-289-9732, email: jabrogan@ieee.org or jabrogan@satx.rr.com. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact John.

If you would like to nominate someone for **Young Engineer of the Year** please submit to Kara Heasley, P.E. at kheasley@vickrey.net or call (210) 349-3271.

The schedule for nominations, nominee qualifications submittal and selection of the nominee is as follows:

- December 12, 2011 - Submit nominee's name and contact information (phone & email) to John A. Brogan P.E.(retired) for **Engineer of the Year** and Kara Heasley, P.E. for **Young Engineer of the Year**. Selection committee will contact nominee to request qualification information).
- December 31, 2011 -Candidate deadline to submit qualifications on the form to be forwarded to candidate by the selection committee
- January 10, 2012- Candidate Selection
- January 10, 2012 - Candidate Notification
- January 15, 2012 - Bexar Chapter February Newsletter article deadline - Candidate biographical information/resume due
- January 22, 2012- Bexar Chapter February Newsletter publication deadline
- February 19-25, 2012 - Engineers Week

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# Quick Take



Name: Steve Gonzales, P.E.  
Company: Cobb Fendley & Associates  
Job Title: Regional Infrastructure Manager  
Hometown: San Antonio  
School: Texas A&M University and UT Austin  
Degree: B.S.C.E. (TAMU), M.S.E. (UT)

**Why did you choose to become an engineer?**

**I grew up in the engineering business. My father, Abe Gonzales, owned a small civil engineering firm and I liked hearing about his projects and thought that it would be neat to follow in his footsteps. I was on his survey crews all during high school and college.**

**What do you like most about your job?**

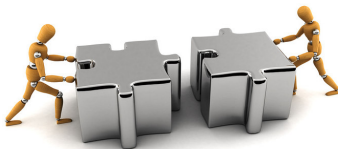
**I get to meet with a number of municipalities, private partners, and other consultants daily on project opportunities. It is a very dynamic environment and I enjoy every minute of it.**

**Any advice or tips you can give young engineers?**

**Don't come to supervisors with just problems; come to them with potential solutions to those problems.**

**What is your favorite restaurant in San Antonio?**

**I have many which may explain why my pants have been fitting so tight! Taco Garage (Mexican), Chris Madrid's (Burgers), Formosa Garden (Chinese), Kirby's (Steak), Pompeii Grill (Italian), Magnolia (Breakfast)**



## Sharpening Your Skills

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Solutions can be found at the end of the newsletter

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**Announcement from the Editor...**

Contribute to your chapter and community by submitting engineering related articles. Articles may be eligible for PDH time so hurry and submit yours. The **JANUARY NEWSLETTER deadline** for receiving articles or advertisements is **December 21**. If you have any questions or comments please do not hesitate to contact me by email at [bshelton@pape-dawson.com](mailto:bshelton@pape-dawson.com) or by phone at (210) 375-9000.

Sincerely,  
Brooke Shelton, E.I.T.

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Half page ad	\$100	\$150	\$200	N/A
Full page ad	\$200	\$300	\$400	N/A

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January Newsletter Deadline - DECEMBER 21

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**REMINDER**  
**CHAPTER LUNCH MEETING**  
December 5  
12:00 General Meeting  
at Morgan’s Wonderland



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