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## **ASCE Midlands January Newsletter 2023**

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### When

Wednesday, January 18th, 2023 Presentation: 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM

#### Where

Michael Baker International Office

700 Huger Street Columbia, SC 29201

### **Lunch\* Provider** Marco's Pizza



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# **In-Person Presentation and** Luncheon

Speaker

**Mark Lorah** 

with

Johnson Laschober & Associates

presenting on

# Car vs Building:

**Case Studies of Automobile** Impacts with Buildings

### **Register Here!**

Members: \$15 Non-Members: \$20

\*We will accept payment at the door, but lunch will not be guaranteed if you do not register by at least noon on Tuesday, January 17th.

#### **Speaker Bio**

Mark W. Lorah, P.E., F.ASCE is a structural engineer with over 30 years of experience as a consulting engineer. He has been with Johnson Laschober & Associates for almost 20 years where he has been exposed to a wide variety of projects and structural engineering challenges. He has developed a specialty and love of historic building retrofit and repurposing. However, Mark's greatest joy is sharing his experiences and acts a mentor of graduating USC Engineering students. Over the last few years he has also used LEGO as a medium to inspire creativity with younger children and help develop fundamental engineering skills. Mark is a graduate of the University of Cincinnati and got his Masters from Purdue University.

#### **Presentation Abstract**

This presentation outlines multiple examples of a car hitting a building. It discusses the resulting consequences to the building structure and the subsequent required repairs and retrofits. The presentation also delves into the cause of auto impacts, what can be done to avoid them, and/or minimize their impact to the structure.

#### **President's Pen**



January 2023 - Looking Forward to the New Year Theo Deligiannidis, ASCE Midlands Branch President

Happy new year everybody. Here's a to a great 2023 for you and your families and for success in all of our engineering endeavors for this year :)

Speaking of success, I'd like to give a shoutout to a couple of our Midlands Branch Board members – Grace Porter and Meghan Franco – for recently passing their P.E. exam. Congrats to them on the big milestone and thanks to both for their continued service to ASCE.

The Branch Board met earlier this week and discussed some ideas for the next few months, to include a great lineup of monthly lunch and learns, a possible joint half-day conference with APWA, the annual meeting for our

company/agency Champions, a bowling social event (which I'm really looking forward to), and community involvement. We'll kick it off on Wednesday, January 18, at Michael Baker International with a presentation from Mark Lorah on "Car vs. Building" (you read that right) and some pizza. We are still looking for a sponsor for this month, so if your company is interested in a 5-minute spot and giving out some swag, please let me or Grace know.

Remember to check out the award-winning www.ascemidlandsbranchsc.org. Also, a friendly reminder to renew your ASCE membership for 2023. Thank you, and we look forward to seeing you next week.

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Theo Deligiannidis, ASCE Midlands Branch President

## **ASCE Midlands Branch Announcements**



## Members of the Midlands Building & Transportation Community,

Please join us on February 6-7th for a fun, one-of-a-kind charity, simulator golf tournament, Driving Down Main.

Held at the Main Course and presented by Enterprise Rent-A-Car, this event will benefit the Midlands Reading Consortium (MRC), a signature program of United Way that helps children learn to read on grade level and graduate on time.

**SIGN UP HERE!** 

**Carolinas Conference for ASCE Students** 

# **LOOKING FOR SPONSORS AND JUDGES!**



The ASCE 2023 Carolinas Student Symposium will be held on April 13-15, 2023 at The Citadel.

**Student Chapter Registration: Click Here** 

**Job Posting Opportunity** 



If your company would like to **post a job** on the ASCE Midlands branch website, we will **advertise** the posting in our monthly newsletter.

There are currently no eligibility requirements, but we always encourage active participation from your team in our Branch activities to maximize your opportunities.

> Please email Meghan Franco at meghan.franco@mbakerintl.com with any inquiries or to express interest.

# Seeking Community Involvement Chair

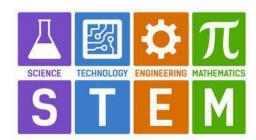
Are you interested in taking on a meaningful, community involvement and service-oriented position on our **ASCE Midlands Branch Board?** 

We would like to grow our ASCE branch's connection to the community through more focused involvement in expanding our work with **United Way** as well as **STEM** programs in schools.

The Midlands Branch Board also envisions this role as a great opportunity to organize other community service activities with local SC midlands organizations.

Get involved in this year's ASCE Midlands Branch decision-making, and join our board as we make some helpful changes and revamp our branch's brand!





# **United Way of the Midlands**

Questions? Please contact Lydia Mignogna, ASCE Midlands Branch Newsletter Editor:

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Are you or someone you know interested in presenting a project, technology, or other topic at our monthly meetings?

If so, let us know!

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