



# Quarterly Newsletter

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## **Event Spotlights:**

### **Event 1: Utility Coordination Panel**

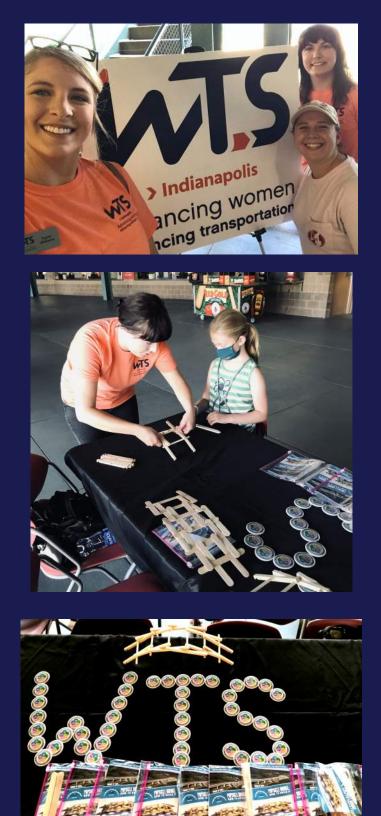
The Utility Coordination Panel event hosted at Hub & Spoke Fishers was an awesome environment to learn more about the utility coordination process! We would like to thank our panelists for taking time to share their insights and what they wish designers knew about utility coordination (pictured below, left to right: Theresa Mendoza, Indianapolis DPW; Sandra Jones, WSP; Bill Plant, INDOT; Jennifer Beck, INDOT; Natalie Parks, USI). Special thanks to Bill Plant for moderating the event and engaging both the panel and audience. If you attended the event, please reach out to Josshé Palm for 2 PDHs approved by ACEC Indiana.



## Event 2: Membership Appreciation Members had so much fun at the Membership Appreciation Event

at Big Woods Brewery in Speedway in July that no one took a picture! Members received a permanent WTS nametag and enjoyed socializing over appetizers and drinks. The following month, the WTS Indianapolis Chapter also recognized the hard work of our volunteer Committee Chairs at an event at Penn & Beech Candle Company with more details provided in the upcoming pages.

## Transportation YOU & Indianapolis Indians' STEM Night



Members from WTS Indianapolis Chapter attended the Indianapolis Indians' STEM Night in August with a hands-on bridge building demonstration. At the event, kids (and adults alike!) learned about careers in science, technology, engineering and math from central Indiana businesses and organizations.

WTS members helped kids construct a Da Vinci bridge from a pile of sticks, and how the bridge could support different weight loads. Kids were also sent home with their own Da Vinci bridge kit. WTS was happy to give away 21 free tickets to local Girl Scouts for the STEM Night event, which included the game afterwards.

We encouraged parents to keep us in mind as their kids get older because the WTS Indianapolis Chapter offers scholarships for college students pursuing a transportation related field of study!

## **Upcoming Events**

### **Event 1: WTS Central Region Conference**

### November 10, 2021, 11:30am - 5pm

The WTS Central Region is hosting a free virtual conference themed "Onward and Upward" featuring sessions on infrastructure funding opportunities, updates on Transportation YOU and more! To sign up for this event, please click the link below:



#### CENTRAL REGION CONFERENCE ONWARD & UPWARD

November 10, 2021

#WTSCentralRegionOnward





**Registration Link** 

### **Event 2: Annual Recognition Awards Gala**

### November 18, 2021, 5:30pm @ Canal 337

The Awards Gala will recognize the winner of the Woman of the Year, Innovative Transportation Solution, and Rosa Parks Diversity Awards. The annual event will take place at Canal 337. For more details and to purchase tickets, please click the link below:

## Recognition Awards Gala

#### **CANAL 337**

Thursday, November 18, 2021 5:30 pm - 8:00 PM ET

**Registration Link** 

# Committee Member Appreciation Event



Our chapter had a great time spending time together at our Committee Appreciation Event at Penn & Beech Candle Co. in Carmel on September 16th.

A representative from each of our committees attended this event, and created some amazing smelling candles, and then enjoyed social networking at Sun King across the road.

Our chapter appreciates all of our amazing committee chairs and members who volunteer their time to help grow, provide scholarships, and amazing programs, within the Indianapolis area. Check out our current committee openings listed on the following pages.

## Member Spotlight: Nora Rasche



Nora Rasche is a Design Engineer in the Bridge Department at United Consulting. Nora joined our chapter in 2020 and immediately made an impact as the Communications Chair, assisting with two annual events: Swings for Scholarships and our upcoming Awards Recognition Gala. Nora has made many improvements for our chapter with establishing our International's emails, creating amazing flyers, updating our software for new graphics, and assisting with posts for the chapter's LinkedIn account. We appreciate your hard work - you have truly improved our communications and outreach. <u>Thank you Nora!!</u>

### **Swings for Scholarships**

Our 5th Annual Swings for Scholarships is planned for Thursday, April 14, 2022, at Topgolf Fishers. We want to thank our previous Legend Sponsors The Etica Group and HNTB, as well as all of our past event sponsors. We are seeking interest in the Legend Sponsorship for 2022!

#### Legend Sponsorship \$3,000 Price Tag Includes:

- 2 Full Bays (Golf for 12, lunch, and 2 drinks.)
- The top spot on all marketing materials.
- Opportunity to promote your company via a short video that airs at the event.
- 3-Month Corporate Membership to Topgolf.

If your company is interested, please send an email to Katie England (kengland@bfsengr.com) indicating your interest in the exclusive Legend Sponsorship by October 31, 2021. The selected firm will be notified in early November and announced at our Awards Gala on November 18, 2021. This will result in the added benefit of extended marketing and promotion for the selected company! Payment for the sponsorship is due by February 1, 2022.

## Membership Highlights







### New Position: Nicole Kalck

Nicole joins RGI as the Director of Transportation Services. She brings nearly 20 years of experience in project management and transportation design. She will lead RGI's transportation design efforts and will be a key figure on future pursuits.

### Presentation: Katlyn Shergalis

Our Chapter President, Katlyn Shergalis, participated in a panel for the WTS Central Region's Leadership Throughout Your Career webinar series. She was joined by five other panelists from the Central Region to share leadership experience and advice on being a mentor, avenues to find a mentor, leaders that made an impact, and considerations for promoting someone.

### Promotion: Kaitlyn Currie

Kaitlyn Currie was recently promoted to Utility Infrastructure Team Leader for American Structurepoint. She joined the company in 2014 and graduated from Purdue University. Congratulations!

## Membership Highlights



### **Promotion: Lisa Casler**

Lisa Casler has been promoted to Division Director of Transportation for RQAW. With 24+ years of experience, Lisa has expertise in nearly every facet of transportation engineering, from reviewing more than 1,000 INDOT submittals to overseeing the entire RQAW Transportation Department. She will undoubtedly take RQAW to new heights as <u>Division Director!</u>



## Newly Certified: Natalie Parks

Natalie Parks, with USI Consultants, recently became one of the first INDOT Certified Railroad Coordinators. She has more than 17 years of experience and graduated from Purdue University. Congratulations on your new certification!



### Newly Certified: Faith Morrison

Faith Morrison, PE, has recently become an INDOT Certified Bridge Inspection Team Leader for USI Consulting. She joined the company in 2019 and is a graduate of Purdue University. Congrats Faith!

## We Want to Hear from You!

- Promotion to brag about?
- New job you want to flaunt?
- Presentation you're about to ace?
- License you are trying to show off?

Actively Looking for Communications Committee Members

Newsletter Chair 🚫

Website Chair ⊘

Let us know if you are interested in the following committees!

Scholarship ⊘

- Awards Gala ⊘
- Sponsorship

### Email: indianapolis@wtsinternational.org

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# Sponsors of the Month

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# Platinum Sponsors are hiring!

USI Consulting is seeking a Senior Bridge Engineer / Project Manager and Roadway Transportation Engineer. Internship opportunities include Bridge Design, Bridge Inspection, and Construction Inspections.



https://www.usiconsultants.com/join-our-team/



American Structurepoint is looking for a Team Leader - Bridge Group, Road Project Engineer, and a Road Staff Engineer.

#### https://www.structurepoint.com/careers

Hanson currently has openings for a Structural Engineer, Aviation Civil Engineer, Roadway Designer, Survey Office Technician and more. Relocation expenses and a signing bonus are being offered.



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