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Event Spotlights:

Modern Era of Public Involvement

On May 19th, WTS Members gathered at District Tap to learn about the impacts COVID-19 had on public involvement and tools to use to overcome these new challenges. Briana Hope and Sarah Everhart from American Structurepoint shared the various technologies, platforms, and processes they have utilized as well as the lessons they have learned.



Bike Around Indy

On June 30th, WTS held our annual Bike Around Indy Event. Attendees were able to take a 30 minute tour around downtown. After the ride participants headed back to Centerpoint Brewing Company for some pizza and networking.



5th Annual Swings for Scholarships

Thank you to everyone who attended the 5th Annual Swings for Scholarships in April. It was our largest event to date, and we raised more than \$18,500! Funds raised support chapter scholarships and provide and promote educational opportunities and career development to advance transportation.

Our prize drawing was a huge hit and attendees got to try out the new Hole-in-One competition for a chance to win \$10,000 for WTS. Sadly, no winner this year, but many gave it their best shot!

We would like to thank our 2022 Legend Sponsor WSP and our Master Sponsors American Structurepoint, CHA Consulting, HNTB, Lochmueller Group, and United Consulting. We received additional support from Hole-in-One Sponsor BF&S, Drink Sponsor Terracon, Printing Sponsor United Consulting, and First-Place Prize Sponsor Zionsville Pediatric Dentistry. Our success is dependent upon you!

A special thank-you to Swings for Scholarships Chair Katie England for leading the organizing efforts and to committee members Taylor Williams, Josshè Palm, Nora Rasche, Katelyn Tedder, Aishwayra Iyer, Abby Browder, Katlyn Shergalis, Julie Crewe, and Jackie Dohrenwend.

Planning is underway for next year, so mark your calendars for Wednesday, April 26, 2023!



WTS Annual Conference- Seattle



Josshé Palm and Inez Evans attended the WTS Annual Conference in Seattle Washington from May 18 - 20, 2022 on behalf of the WTS Indianapolis chapter.

Josshé, thanks to WSP, got to enjoy the Seattle coffee, explored the space needle, and went to amazing sessions planned by WTS Internationals.

“My favorite parts of the conference was finding out how amazing of a voice Inez Evans has as she sang Happy Birthday to a lucky WTS member at the conference.” - Josshé Palm, Chapter President

Congratulations to Inez Evens on winning WTS International, Women of the Year Award! Our chapter is so lucky to have you as a member. Along with Women of the Year, Inez has been elected as a Member At Large for the WTS International Board for 2022-2024! Thanks Inez for representing Indianapolis at an International Level!

Inez Evans will be the Keynote Speaker through a Fire-Side char with WTSI Chair, Jannet Walker-Ford at WTS Chapter Leader Training in Kansas City, MO held on November 15 - 16, 2022!



Upcoming Events

Commissioner Event: MEMBERS ONLY!

October 5, 2022: 11:30am - 1:00pm ET



Join the WTS-Indianapolis-Chapter on Wednesday October 5th to have an exclusive small group opportunity to network with the INDOT Commissioner Michael Smith.

Maven Space
433 N Capitol Ave Suite 100
Indianapolis, IN 46204

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Membership Highlights



Promotion: Briana "Bri" Hope

Bri Hope has been promoted to Group Leader of Environmental Services at American Structurepoint! With 20+ years of experience, Bri has extensive experience navigating the NEPA process, including Section 106 and 4(f), and is familiar with all levels of NEPA documentation. She has led numerous public involvement campaigns and engagement opportunities for both State and locally sponsored projects over her career. She will undoubtedly take Structurepoint to new heights as Group Leader!



Newly Certified: Katie England

Katie England, with BF&S recently earned her Certified Sustainability Professional (ENV SP) designation. The ENV SP is a valuable credential for any professional involved in civil infrastructure development. With this certification, Katie England can advise clients on how to plan, develop, and build sustainable infrastructure, with a focus on the aviation industry. Congratulations Katie!



New Job: Nora Rasche

Nora Rasche has joined HNTB as a bridge engineer! We wish Nora the best of luck in her new role and could not be happier for her!

Member Spotlight: Emily Chen



Emily Chen is the Civil Lead at WSP USA and a 2021-2022 graduate of the ACEC Indiana Engineering Leadership Program. Emily joined the WTS Indianapolis chapter in 2021 and is our chapter's first membership chair. With Emily joining our chapter leadership team, she has improved engagement with new members, found chapter leaders to fill positions, and increased our committee numbers.

"Emily was an amazing support for me while I was studying for my PE exam, and I am excited to see the support she will provide to our membership in this position!" – Josshé Palm, Chapter President

Thank you, Emily, for volunteering for this integral role within our chapter!

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- 🏠 License you are trying to show off?

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

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indianapolis@wtsinternational.org

SAVE THE DATE!

SWINGS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

April 26, 2023

Topgolf in Fishers, IN



Thursday, November 10
2022

WTS Indianapolis
Annual
Awards Gala

The Skyline Club
1 American Square 36th Floor,
Indianapolis, IN 46282

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