



Weekly Update - March 22, 2023

Welcome to ACEC/MO's Weekly Newsletter! With this email, you'll receive all of the top updates in our organization, as well as new features.

*This newsletter will provide an update on our organization. Check your email each week for more updates.*

Items included in this ACEC Missouri Weekly Update are listed below.

- **Past Meeting Highlights & Awards** (*ACEC/MO Winter Meeting & Awards Banquet Highlights; ACEC/MO 2023 Engineering Excellence Awards Announced*)
- **Upcoming Events** (*Upcoming ACEC/MO Meetings*)
- **Liaison Committee News** (*Missouri Department of Transportation (KC) Liaison Committee Meeting; Missouri Department of Transportation (NW) Liaison Committee Meeting; St. Louis County Liaison Committee Meeting*)
- **Industry News** (*Missouri Clean Water Commission Notice of Open Meeting; Resources for Small & Startup Engineering Firms; Why Large Engineering Firms Join the ACEC BIT; AAA: New Statewide Competition Rewards Missouri Businesses for Curbing Employee Cell Phone Use While Driving*)
- **Member Information & Calendar** (*ACEC Coalitions for Members to Join; Calendar of Events; New Members Welcomed; Member News*)

If there is something you would like us to include in the weekly updates, or if you need anything else, please contact the ACEC/MO staff: [Morgan Mundell](#) or [Dawn \(Hill\) Danison](#).

### LIAISON COMMITTEE NEWS



### Missouri Department of Transportation (KC) Liaison Committee Meeting

The Missouri Department of Transportation (KC) / ACECMO Liaison Committee met on February 9, 2023. Committee members in attendance were: Ozzy Bravo, Brian Kidwell, Linda Rottinghaus, Julie Sarson, Anne Schroer, and Matt Spencer. Items discussed during the meeting included:

- ACECMO / MoDOT HQ Liaison Committee Updates
- District Engineer Comments
- General District/Project Updates
- STIP/Unfunded Needs Updates
- Upcoming Consultant Projects
- Consultant Performance Feedback.

The next meeting will be sometime in summer of 2023. To

### PAST MEETING HIGHLIGHTS & AWARDS

#### ACEC/MO Winter Meeting & Awards Banquet Highlights

ACEC/MO recently hosted our Winter Meeting/Awards Banquet in St. Louis on March 2-3. As part of the meeting, we presented multiple awards. Below are highlights of the meeting and banquet. Also, we

want to thank the Associate Members and member firms listed below that sponsored the meeting and awards banquet. They helped make everything a huge success. THANK YOU!!

**SPONSORS:**

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- TranSystems

**MEETING HIGHLIGHTS:**



A group of ACEC/MO members were taken through a tour of the St. Louis City SC's Stadium.



ACEC/MO Environmental Committee members met and heard a presentation from Rich Unverferth, Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District, on recent developments in the region and potential funding opportunities and vision for the future.

see the complete minutes from this meeting, [click here](#). You can also see minutes from the most recent meetings posted on [ACEC/MO's website](#).



**Missouri Department of Transportation (NW) Liaison Committee Meeting**

The Missouri Department of Transportation (NW) / ACECMO Liaison Committee met on February 6, 2023. Committee members in attendance were: Ozzy Bravo, Brian Kidwell, Linda Rottinghaus, Julie Sarson, Anne Schroer, and Matt Spencer. Items discussed during the meeting included:

- ACECMO / MoDOT HQ Liaison Committee Updates
- District Engineer Comments
- General District/Project Updates
- STIP/Unfunded Needs Updates
- Upcoming Consultant Projects
- Consultant Performance Feedback.

The next meeting will be sometime in late spring or early summer of 2023. To see the complete minutes from this meeting, [click here](#). You can also see minutes from the most recent meetings posted on [ACEC/MO's website](#).

**St. Louis County Liaison Committee Meeting**

The St. Louis County / ACECMO Liaison Committee met on



ACEC/MO Transportation Committee members met and heard from Jeff Glenn, Missourians for Transportation Investment, on MFTI's transportation infrastructure funding policy for 2023.



The ACEC/MO QBS Award was established to recognize outstanding support of the Qualifications-Based Selection (QBS) procedures. The award this year was presented to the City of Nixa, MO, Department of Public Works. **Neil Brady** (right) presented the award to **Stephanie Ewing** (left), Purchasing Manager, City of Nixa, MO.



Members attended the CEO Roundtables, and they were again highly informative with a large list of items for discussion for small and large firms.

February 2, 2023. Committee members in attendance were: Nick Correnti, Brian Eads, Darrell Eilers, Ryan Hagerty, Tyson King, Travis Pfeiffer, Steve Stirnemann, and Don Wichern. Items discussed during the meeting included:

- Deputy Director Update
- Consultant QC/QA / Turn-Key Delivery
- 6 Month Outlook for Consultant Solicitations
- M/WBE Program Rules and Regulations – County funded projects
- Plan Review Checklists Discussion
- CAD Workspace Update – MoDOT MicroStation Workspace
- Procurement Changes - Process Improvement
- Construction Costs / Bidding Updates
- Looking at Programming of Projects
- Open Discussion.

The next meeting is tentatively set for Tuesday, April 25, 2023. To see the complete minutes from this meeting, [click here](#). You can also see minutes from the most recent meetings posted on [ACEC/MO's website](#).

## INDUSTRY NEWS



Water Protection  
Program

### Missouri Clean Water Commission Notice of Open Meeting

The Missouri Clean Water Commission will meet at **10 a.m.** on **April 12, 2023**, at the Lewis and Clark State Office Building, LaCharrette/Nightingale conference rooms, 1101 Riverside Drive, Jefferson City, MO, with a Webex option being offered. Information on how to join the meeting remotely is listed below.



Members had a chance to network during the design excellence reception as well as review the winning EEA project display panels.



Those Guys provided great entertainment during our awards reception and after the banquet.



**Dave Bender**, ACEC Vice President of Political Affairs, gave an overview of the new 2023-2024 Congress and discussed challenges at the federal level for engineering issues.

### [Join Webex Meeting](#)

Enter the event password: CWC  
Click "Join Now".  
Follow the instructions that appear on your screen to join the teleconference.

**-or-**

Call-in toll number (US/Canada):  
1-650-479-3207  
Access code: 2464 906 5856  
Meeting Password: CWC

People with disabilities requiring special services to attend the meeting may make arrangements by calling the commission's secretary at 573-751-6721 or 800-361-4827. They also may write two weeks in advance of the meeting to the following address: MDNR, Missouri Clean Water Commission, Attn: Krista Welschmeyer, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, MO 65102. Hearing impaired individuals may contact the program through Relay Missouri at 1-800-735-2966.



## Resources for Small & Startup Engineering Firms

The ACEC Business Insurance Trust is committed to providing insurance solutions and information to ACEC member firms, offering a range of exclusive benefits and organizational support. Here are few of the resources that can help answer your insurance related questions or provide solutions for your insurance needs:

- Download Guide: [Typical Insurance Coverages for Small Design Firms](#)
- Professional Liability Insurance: [Get a quote and bind instantly](#)
- Cyber Risk Assessment: [Evaluate your firm's cyber readiness](#)



**Greg Coker**, Greg Coker Development Inc., presented a seminar on "I Want a New Drug: Tapping Into the Flow State."



Members met during the Board of Directors / Membership Meeting, which was led by Buddy Desai, Board Chair, and discussed important items of interest.

## **DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS**



**CBB - 50 Years of Service:** (Representative: Srinu Yanamanamanda - left). **EDM Incorporated - 50 Years of Service:** (Representative: Len Madalon - right).

- Webinar - Live, Interactive Contract Negotiation: [Register to attend.](#)

Contact us at (833) 223-2248 to learn how much your firm will benefit by joining the ACEC BIT Program.



## **Why Large Engineering Firms Join the ACEC BIT**

Our members receive exclusive benefits, organizational support, and access to a team of legal and risk management experts through the Trust's relationship with Greyling, the broker and program administrator. Contact us at (833) 223-2248 to learn how much your firm will benefit by joining the ACEC BIT Program. To learn more, [click here.](#)

### **WHO IS GREYLING**

Greyling is America's premier A&E risk management brokerage firm, serving 14% of the ENR Top 300 design firms. Our approach to specialization delivers measurably better results – lower premiums, better coverage, and more insightful risk management advice – that improve your bottom line. To learn more about Greyling, [click here.](#)

### **WHAT WE DO:**

- Complex and international insurance placements
- Peer benchmarks for limits and premium
- Risk management consulting and claims advice tailored to design professionals
- Captive insurance programs (alternative risk solutions)

# EFK Moen

## Civil Engineering Design

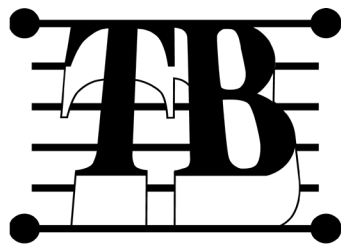
EFK Moen, LLC - 25 Years of Service (Not available for photo.)



**S.H. Smith & Company, Inc. - 55 Years of Service:**  
Representatives (l to r): Steve Hicks and Bob McDonald.



**SCI Engineering, Inc. - 45 Years of Service:** Representative:  
Shawna Erter (left) and Morgan Mundell, ACEC/MO (right).



## Taliaferro & Browne

Taliaferro & Browne, Inc. - 55 Years of Service (Not available for photo.)

- Project-specific professional liability insurance policies

### Benefits of the ACEC Business Insurance Trust

- **ACEC Coalitions Annual Credit:** ACEC Business Insurance Trust members receive an annual \$250 credit towards coalition dues.
- **Auto & Property Deductible Assistance:** Member firms can request reimbursement of up to \$1,000 of their deductible for property and automobile losses, up to a \$10,000 annual maximum for all applicable policies.
- **Annual Convention Reimbursement:** Member firms can request a reimbursement for the registration cost to attend the Annual Convention. One registration per firm.
- **Hartford Royalty:** Member firms that are placed with the Hartford may receive a royalty payment based on the cost of premium. Minimum premium required to qualify.

### **AAA: New Statewide Competition Rewards Missouri Businesses for Curbing Employee Cell Phone Use While Driving**

Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of work-related deaths and cost employers billions of dollars each year. Missouri businesses are invited to compete for cash prizes and help make our roadways safer in the inaugural [Buckle Up Phone Down \(BUPD\) Business](#)

## ACEC/MO 2023 Engineering Excellence Awards Announced

ACEC/MO member firms recently entered projects in the 2023 Engineering Excellence Awards Competition. The winners were announced during ACEC/MO's Awards Banquet on March 2, 2023. Below is a list of the winning project entries. To see more details on each project entry, go to [ACEC/MO's website](#).



### **GRAND CONCEPTOR AWARD**

**TranSystems**

Project: Merchants Bridge Main Span Trusses & East Approach Replacement



### **GRAND AWARD** **Burns & McDonnell**

Project: South/Central Terminal Baggage Handling Program

[Showdown](#), sponsored by AAA Missouri and the Missouri Coalition for Roadway Safety, in collaboration with Missouri Employers Mutual, the Governors Highway Safety Association, and General Motors. The BUPD Business Showdown is a new, FREE distracted driving prevention training course that provides participating businesses with cash incentives for employee participation. The goal of the program is to educate drivers on the dangers of cell phone-use while driving and offer solutions for preventing distraction behind the wheel.

### **B-ROLL VIDEO FOR NEWS MEDIA**

*(click link to view and download)*

[Missouri Distracted Driving Impact Video](#)

### **How to Participate and Win**

**Cash Prizes:** BUPD Business Showdown educational resources, employer communications, and registration information can be found [here](#). Missouri businesses with five (5) or more employees are eligible to participate. There are four easy steps for businesses to compete in the BUPD Business Showdown contest and be eligible to win cash prizes:

1. [Register your business](#)
2. Adopt a safe driving cell phone policy (sample policy available under 'Employer Toolkit')
3. Have employees complete the 20-minute, online distracted driving prevention training video
4. Once completed, have employees submit the online Buckle Up, Phone Down pledge

Cash prizes, provided by AAA Missouri, funded through grants from the Governors Highway Safety Association and General Motors, will be awarded to three businesses with the highest



**GRAND AWARD**  
**EFK Moen, LLC**

Project: MSD HQ Sustainable Entrance Improvements



**GRAND AWARD**  
**Horner & Shifrin, Inc.**  
 Project: Oglesby Park



**GRAND AWARD**  
**Jacobs Engineering Group Inc.**

Project: I-44 Over Meramec River & I-270 Interchange Improvements

percentage of employees who complete the training video and submit the online safe driving pledge.

- 1st Place - \$7,500**
- 2nd Place - \$6,000**
- 3rd Place - \$5,000**

The contest period runs from January 9 to March 31, 2023. Winners will be announced and invited to an awards presentation at the Missouri State Capitol in April. Complete contest rules can be found [here](#).

**MEMBER  
 INFORMATION  
 & CALENDAR**

**ACEC Coalitions for  
 Members to Join**

ACEC/MO members are eligible to join the specialty groups known as ACEC Coalitions — dedicated communities of ACEC members organized by practice area or firm size. The coalitions provide a range of practical, day-to-day resources to enhance the operation of your business and make it more profitable by sharing knowledge and best practices with peers in your area of specialization. Over the next several issues of our Weekly Update, we will be highlighting some of the coalitions in each issue. This issue highlights CAMEE and CASE. See below for information on these coalitions.

**Council of American Mechanical  
 and Electrical Engineers  
 (CAMEE)**

CAMEE membership helps firms improve their business practices, reduce professional liability, and increase profitability. Members gain access to comprehensive business practice documents, latest research/trends in the field, and other learning/networking opportunities with colleagues from other M/E associations and client





**GRAND AWARD**  
**Walter P Moore and Associates, Inc.**  
 Project: GEODIS Park



**HONOR AWARD**  
**ABNA Engineering, Inc.**  
 Project: Ameren Access Bridge Structure



**HONOR AWARD**  
**Bartlett & West, Inc.**  
 Project: Bicentennial Bridge to Adrian's Island

groups. To learn more information on this coalition, [click here](#).

**Council of American Structural Engineers (CASE)**

CASE membership provides access to detailed and thorough contract documents, guidelines, and members-only programs designed to improve business practices, minimize project risk, and enhance work product quality. To learn more information on this coalition, [click here](#).

**Calendar of Events**

**March 2023**

**March 27-28 - ACEC/MO DC Fly-In, Washington, DC**

**April 2023**

**April 5-6 - ACEC/MO & PSMJ A/E/C Project Management Bootcamp, Columbia**

**April 12 - ACEC/MO & SMPS Maximizing Your Business Development Return-on-Investment Workshop, St. Louis**

**April 14 - ACEC/MO Environmental & Energy Conference, Jefferson City**

**May 2023**

**May 1 - ACEC/MO 2nd Annual CECMO/PAC Golf Tournament, Sunrise Beach**

**May 15-16 - ACEC/MO Future Leaders Academy, Kansas City**

**June 2023**

**June 7-9 - ACEC Midwest States Conference, Springfield**

**June 11-14 - ACEC Annual Convention & Legislative Summit, Washington, DC**

**June 15-16 - ACEC/MO Future Leaders Academy, St. Charles**

**July 2023**

**July 19-20 - ACEC/MO Future Leaders Academy, Columbia**

**August 2023**

**August 23-24 - ACEC/MO Future Leaders Academy, Osage Beach**



**HONOR AWARD**  
**Bartlett & West, Inc.**

Project: I-49 Missouri-Arkansas Connector (Bella Vista Bypass)



**HONOR AWARD**  
**CFS Engineers**

Project: Briarcliff Greenway Trail



**HONOR AWARD**  
**CFS Engineers**

Project: T.B. Hanna Station

**August 24** - 7th Annual  
 ACEC/PAC Golf Tournament,  
 Osage Beach

**August 24-25** - ACEC/MO  
 Summer Mtg. & Working Cmte.  
 Session, Osage Beach

**October 2023**

**October 15-18** - ACEC Fall  
 Conference, Austin, TX

**November 2023**

**November 2** - 2nd Annual  
 ACEC/PAC Sporting Clays  
 Tournament, Columbia

**November 2-3** - ACEC/MO Fall  
 Mtg., Columbia

Newly added events are italicized.  
 To see a complete calendar of  
 events, go to [ACEC/MO's  
 website](http://ACEC/MO's website).



**New Members  
 Welcomed**

We want to welcome the following  
 new member firms and associate  
 member to the Council and hope  
 you will too.

**ASSOCIATE MEMBER:**

**H R Quadri Contractors, LLC**  
 73039 Highway 21  
 (573) 945-2224  
 Van Buren, MO 63965  
 Contact: Stephen Bubanovich

**MEMBER FIRMS:**

**Counsilman-Hunsaker &  
 Associates, Inc.**  
 3636 S. Geyer Road, Suite 100  
 St. Louis, MO 63127  
 (314) 894-1245  
 Contact: Chris Moran

**Surveying and Mapping, LLC  
 (SAM, LLC)**  
 1224 Fern Ridge Pkwy., Ste. 105  
 St. Louis, MO 63141  
 (314) 576-9878  
 Contact: Mark Johnson

**Member News**

**Allstate Consultants, LLC** is pleased to introduce **Brian Robben, PE, RG**, Senior Geotechnical Engineer.

**Anderson Engineering, Inc.** is thrilled to announce the addition of **Kent Monter, PE**, to their team as Public Infrastructure Department Leader. Kent is based in Kansas City and brings 35+ years of experience reviewing and designing public and private infrastructure improvements.

**Engineering Design Source, Inc. (EDSI)** is growing! Introducing their newest staff members: **Nichole Jordan**, Invoicing Specialist; **John Taylor**, Professional Land Surveyor; **Bryan Vorwerk**, Professional Land Surveyor; and **Kyle Weinhold**, Survey Technician.

*Change of address, email, or any information? You will need to login to your profile in our member portal through our website.*



**HONOR AWARD**  
**Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc.**

Project: Joplin Regional Airport Runway 18/36 Reconstruction



**HONOR AWARD**  
**Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc.**

Project: Route 160 Safety & Capacity Improvements



**HONOR AWARD**  
**Lochmueller Group**

Project: North Lafayette Street Reconstruction for the City of Florissant



**HONOR AWARD**

**Oates Associates, Inc.**

Project: Lake Saint Louis Boulevard Roundabout

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

**Upcoming ACEC/MO Meetings**

**SMPS St. Louis & ACEC/MO Present: Maximizing Your Business Development Return-on-Investment**

Date/Location: April 12, 2023 / Webster Groves

Registration/Agenda: In this workshop, participants will learn which business development strategies and tactics yield the biggest “bang for the buck” so that the time one invests in business development will have the biggest payoff. For more information or to register, [click here](#). The deadline to register is *Wednesday, April 5, 2023*.

**ACEC/MO's 1st Annual Environmental & Energy Conference**

Date/Location: April 14, 2023 / Jefferson City

Registration/Agenda: This conference will be held from 9:45 AM to 3:15 PM. Topics include: The Future of Alternative Energy in Missouri; The Road Ahead: Electrifying Transportation; Lunch Speaker: Dru Buntin, Director, MDNR; PFAS: Challenges on the Horizon; ACEC/MO Environmental Committee Meeting. [Click here](#) for the detailed agenda or to register. The deadline to register is *Friday, April 7, 2023*.

**2nd Annual ACECMO/PAC Golf Tournament**

Date/Location: May 1, 2023 / Sunrise Beach

Registration/Agenda: ACEC/MO is hosting the 2nd Annual ACECMO/PAC Golf Tournament scheduled for Monday, May 1, 2023.

It will be held at the The Club at Porto Cima, 133 Club House Drive, Sunrise Beach, MO 65079. Registration begins at 10:00 AM followed by a shotgun start at 10:30 AM. ACEC/MO members can bring clients and guests to play in the tournament. There is a maximum of 60 players available. The cost is \$200 per person, which includes green fees, cart, lunch, prizes and more. You can register as an individual or you can register up to 8 people. The deadline to register is *Friday, April 14, 2023*. Registration information is available on our [website](#).

### **ACEC Midwest States Conference**

Date/Location: **June 7-9, 2023 / Springfield**

Agenda: ACEC/MO is finalizing the details but here is a preview of what is to come: Site Visit of the Lake Springfield Master Plan; ACEC/PAC Fundraiser at BigShots Golf; Reception/Dinner with Springfield Improv as entertainment; Thirsty Thursday at Springfield Cardinals Baseball Game; CEO Roundtable Discussions; Why Engineers Need to Show Up Panel Discussion; ACEC Members Filling the Engineering Pipeline Panel Discussion; ACEC State Meetings; and additional speakers and seminars. The conference will be held at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel, 2431 N. Glenstone Avenue, Springfield, MO 65803. Call 417-831-3131 and refer to our group code "MSC" to get our group rate of \$119.00 single/double. You can also reserve your room [online](#). The deadline to reserve your room is *Monday, May 22, 2023*.