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"Thank you" to all who made the February ECH Meeting a Success

(ECH to return to Ponderosa for March 19th)

By: **Kevin L. Osborne, EI**
ECH Ex-Officio Director

The February meeting held at Saad's Catering house was a great success. Much appreciation is given to **Phillips** and **Mary Emmons, Wes** and **Karen Shanholtzer, Judy Dumke**, and **Sutton Epps** for providing coffee makers; to **Sandy Bush** for the delectable homemade hors d'oeuvres; and to **Denis Chabot** for all the additional labor. Finally, gratitude is provided to the many members who showed support of the club with their attendance.

The venue for the March meeting has returned to the Ponderosa Restaurant (see Meeting Notice on page 2). One change being instituted, which many will welcome, is that the social hour will no longer be upstairs; everything will take place in the downstairs meeting room.

Once again, I am looking forward to seeing each of you at another meeting of the Engineers Club of Huntington.

March Meeting Notice

ECH will meet March 19th

Program to be announced through posting on ECHonline.org by Monday

By: **Denis C. Chabot, PE**
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The deadline for the meeting announcement for March 19th has come without word of a commitment from a presenter. Nevertheless, ECH will have a program worthy of Professional Development Hours beginning at 6 PM at the Ponderosa Steakhouse.

Our Program Chair, **Simon Fet, EI**, is working on several Corps of Engineers programs; one is on the flood proofing of residential structures through raising, and the other is the recent Greenup Lock gate failure.

In lieu of a presenter, ECH will use one of the new technical videos it purchased in late 2009. Please be patient, but please plan to be there.

***ECH Endowed Scholarship
Donations on the Rise***
See the latest in article on Page 2

Marshall University's Applied Engineering Complex put on hold

By: **Denis C. Chabot, PE**
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The \$25 million in funding for a new Applied Engineering Complex at M.U. which was appropriated by the State during the summer of 2009 has been pulled back. The planned facility, which was to be built near and possibly connected to the Arthur Weisberg Family Engineering Laboratories building, was to be the premier facility for the College of Information Technology and Engineering at Marshall.

Citing Governor Manchin's desire to perform deferred maintenance over new construction, Marshall University President Stephen Kopp indicated that there is no funding for new capital projects in higher education, and that the school will

instead receive \$22 million to perform repairs, maintenance and upgrades to various buildings and the campus. Of the \$22 million, it is reported that \$15 million is to be spent in upgrades to energy efficiency and general maintenance, and the remaining \$7 million on projects to comply with the ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act).

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The Arthur Weisberg Family Engineering Laboratories at Marshall

ECH Endowed Scholarship Donations Rising in Number

By: **Denis C. Chabot, PE**
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Following extraordinarily large donations in 2007 and 2008 by ECH member **David Irvin**, the members of ECH have picked up the pace and made donations in numbers not seen since 1988, the year of the creation of the ECH Endowed Scholarship fund at Marshall University.

The member with the largest donation included with their 2009 dues was **Jim Maphet**. Although Jim maintained the same fine donation with 2010 dues, the largest donation this year came from **Eastham & Associates** – member **Lee Poplin** requested and received a large donation from his employer.

The numbers expressed below indicate an increasing number of donations, even if the totals are not records (in some years we've received \$500 in a single donation). However, record numbers of contributors is a cause for

MARCH MEETING NOTICE

Date: March 19, 2010
Speaker: *(To Be Determined)*
Program: *For latest information, consult ECHonline.org*
Place: ► **Ponderosa Steakhouse** ◀
 3100 Route 60 East
 Huntington, WV 25705
Time: Social, 6-7:00 p.m.
 Dinner, 7-8:00 p.m.
 Program, 8:00 p.m.
Cost: \$14 *(discount is applied; NO COUPONS, please)*

Reservations Required through Denis Chabot

**(NOTE: Deadline Noon Thursday, March 18th)
 at 304-399-5140 (w) or E-mail at
 Denis.C.Chabot@usace.army.mil**

celebration, as more members become involved and share the load. Please know that each of your donations, big and small, add up to scholarships, and we express gratitude to each of you who donated. **Thank you!**

Donations included with 2009 dues:

21 members donated a total of **\$481**



1. Charles F. Abbott, Jr.
2. John C. Bertram, PE
3. Denis C. Chabot, PE
4. William J. Dixon, Jr.
5. Simon Fet, EI
6. Harold H. Honaker
7. E. Wayne Horton, Jr., PE
8. David L. Houchin, PE
9. David W. Humphreys, PE
10. D.E. "Gene" Lawhun, PE
11. Jimmy G. Maphet
12. Arvie L. Maynard, PE
13. Joseph M. McCallister, PE
14. John W. Newman
15. Karen L. Newman
16. Kevin L. Osborne, EI
17. Lee R. Poplin, LS
18. Joel T. Robertson
19. Wesley L. Shanholtzer
20. Michael F. Spoor
21. Max R. Stull, Jr., PE

Interim Donations included with 2010 dues:

23 members donated a total of **\$782**



1. Brian W. Ball, PE
2. John C. Bertram, PE
3. Denis C. Chabot, PE
4. Samuel E. Clark, PE
5. William J. Dixon, Jr.
6. Phillips C. Emmons, PE
7. Simon Fet, EI
8. Harold H. Honaker
9. D.E. "Gene" Lawhun, PE
10. Arthur H. Malcom, PE
11. Jimmy G. Maphet
12. Arvie L. Maynard, PE
13. Joseph M. McCallister, PE
14. Carl E. Miller, Jr., PE
15. John W. Newman
16. Karen L. Newman
17. Kevin L. Osborne, EI
18. *Lee R. Poplin, LS
Note: Eastham & Associates
19. Joel T. Robertson
20. Michael D. Robinette, PE
21. Wesley L. Shanholtzer
22. Michael F. Spoor
23. Stephen Stack

Engineering Complex

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Kopp indicated that the Applied Engineering Complex was the school's "number one priority," and will remain at the top when new construction projects for the school are considered. He did not indicate that the \$25 million for the Complex would be reinstated, nor offer any time frames for funding for improvements to the Engineering program.

Photos from the January ECH Meeting

(All photos by **Samuel E. Clark, PE**)



Wes Shanholtzer (at left), and **Kevin Osborne** chat during the Social Hour.



Leighton "Tom" Lilly, PE (at left), speaks with **Carl E. Miller, Jr., PE**



(From left to right), **Arvie L. Maynard, PE**, **Jimmy G. Maphet**, and **Donald M. Lee**



(From left to right), **Judith D. Dumke**, **Jonathan R. Duncan, PE**, and **Simon Fet**



◀ Left photo:
Denis C. Chabot, PE on his last night as Treasurer.

Right photo:
(From L to R), **Stephen Stack**, **Richard Wilson, PE**, and **Phillips C. Emmons, PE** ▶



Photos from the January ECH Meeting (continued)

(All photos by Samuel E. Clark, PE)



Art and Iris Malcom



Candid shots of Churchill Hodges and Mary Hodges



(Left photo). New ECH Member **Mike Jannell** and his wife **Lailah**, during formal introductions at the beginning of the meeting. (Right photo). The Jannell's pose for a photo.



▲ The ECH 2010 Executive Board was sworn in at the January meeting. Space constraints in this issue preclude listing members of the Board.

◀ **Jimmy G. Maphet** (standing) joins **Maybelle Lee** (seated on left) and **Dorothy Lunsford** (seated on right) in a photo.

(Below, right) 2010 President **Jonathan R. Duncan, PE** presents a certificate of appreciation to **Bryan J. Hanft** of American Electric Power. Two of the slides from the presentation appear below left. ▼

