

TACOMA/OLYMPIA BRANCH MEMBERS MEETING



Sustainability In Our Schools

Our branch's next **MEETING** in **SEPTEMBER** will discuss sustainability in education, both from the perspective of Owner and Consultant. Individuals associated with education facility design, construction or operation are encouraged to attend.

Date: Wednesday, Sept 14, 2005
Time: 7:30 AM
Location: Tacoma Public Utilities Auditorium
3628 South 35th Street
Tacoma, WA 98402
[Continental Breakfast Served]

PRESENTATION TOPICS

WSSP & LEED

Kathleen O'Brien, president of O'Brien and Company a sustainable building consultancy, will discuss the unique characteristics of schools and how sustainability can be addressed in educational facilities. She will describe the challenges of LEED in schools and how CHPS and the Washington Sustainable Schools Protocol (WSSP) have been developed to address these challenges.

LEED—A BENCHMARKING TOOL

Peter Wall, TSD Director of Planning and Construction, has served on the WSSP development committee as CEFPI member representative. He will discuss the process of identifying, evaluating and participating in the development of sustainable standards for schools.



[Photo: Midland Elementary School, Franklin Pierce SD, GeoExchange HP Project Example, Courtesy BLRB.]

GREEN LEGISLATION FOR SCHOOLS

Carter Bagg, the Northwest region Regional Facilities Coordinator for the state Office of Public Instruction, recently served as the project manager for the Washington Sustainable Schools Pilot Project Program. He will discuss the implementation of O.S.P.I.'s Sustainable Schools protocol as it is developed in the coming 2 years, including adjustments in the funding process.

ENERGY EFFICIENT DESIGN

Paul Rising, principal at BLRB, will share their firm's experience in using geexchange (earth-linked hydronic heat pump) systems in schools. General application parameters, rules of thumb, and advantages will be discussed. Steve Fintak with Tres West Engineers and Jim Hanson with the Bethel School District, will be available to answer questions about their specific experiences.

CASCADIA

Cascadia is a chapter of the US Green Building Council (USGBC), the building industry's only balanced, nonprofit, consensus coalition promoting the understanding, development and accelerated implementation of "green building." Cascadia serves its members by striving to fulfill the USGBC's mission, realize its vision, and accomplish its goals in the Pacific Northwest region.

CASCADIA MISSION

Promote the design, construction and operation of buildings that are environmentally responsible, profitable and healthy places to live and work, in Oregon, Washington and British Columbia.

BRANCH MISSION

"Through education and outreach opportunities, the Tacoma/Olympia Branch of the USGBC Cascadia Chapter exists to promote greater awareness of sustainable building strategies, centered on integrated design and the LEED Rating System."

BRANCH GOALS

1. Conduct Branch meetings, presentations, and educational seminars.
2. Promote local/regional design/construction industry members.
3. Promote local/regional government agencies.
4. Raise general awareness of sustainability.

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