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Basic Canons

Canon #1 - Professional estimators shall perform services in areas of their discipline and competence.

Canon #2 - Professional estimators shall continue to expand their professional capabilities through continuing education programs to better enable them to serve clients, employers and the industry.

Canon #3 - Professional estimators shall conduct themselves in a manner, which will promote cooperation and good relations among members of our profession and those directly related to our profession.

*** ASPE COOKOUT ***

Date: Saturday, September 19th

Time: 4:00 PM

Location: John & Cathy Brockington's home
12 Seafields Lane
Saco, Maine

RSVP: Call (207) 286-4650 or email
jbrockington@pizzagalli.com

Details: Bring your spouse! Bring prospective members! Relax ~ make new friends and get caught up with old friends after a busy summer. \$5/person ~ BYOB.



*Humpback whale breaching at Jeffries Ledge off the coast of Southern Maine.
Photo taken by Garret Bertolini on 8/15/09*



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President's Message...

Summer seems to pass quickly in Maine and my hope is you have had time to enjoy it! In these tough economic times, it is important to reflect on the things you value most in life – your family, your job, your health or anything that keeps the right perspective on life as you know it.

I wish to thank the Maine Chapter for giving me the opportunity to experience the ASPE National Convention in St. Louis in July. I have come away from this experience with the desire to lead our organization in a dynamic, interactive and rewarding direction.

I have several ideas to share with you, but most important, I want us to establish clear goals and objectives as a group as we move forward as professionals in the construction industry. I need your help and will seek to delegate specific responsibilities that will allow for creative development and growth of the ASPE Maine Chapter.

At the cookout on September 19th, we will spend some quality time in a relaxed environment in getting to know some of our new members and sharing ideas on how we will make a positive impact on our community.

John Brockington, ASPE Chapter 37 President



*World's highest bridge in Millau, Southern France.
1,125 feet high and 8,071 feet long*

Basic Canons (cont.)

Canon #4 - Professional estimators shall safeguard and keep in confidence all knowledge of the business affairs and technical procedures of an employer or client.

Canon #5 - Professional estimators shall conduct themselves with integrity as all times and not knowingly or willingly enter into agreements that violate the laws of the United States of America or of the states in which they practice. They shall establish guidelines for setting forth prices and receiving quotations that are fair and equitable to all parties.

Canon #6 - Professional estimators shall utilize their education, years of experience and acquired skills in the preparation of each estimate or assignment gaming canon with full commitment to make each estimate or assignment as detailed and accurate as their talents and abilities allow.

Canon #7 - Professional estimators shall not engage in the practice of "bid peddling" as defined by this code. This is a breach of moral and ethical standards, and a member of this society shall not enter into this practice.

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2009 ASPE Maine Chapter Golf Outing

Our 17th Annual Golf Outing at Toddy Brook Golf Course in North Yarmouth, Maine on Friday, August 14th was a great success! Proceeds from this event will help fund our scholarship program for students in the construction programs at Southern Maine Community College (SMCC) and Central Maine Community College (CMCC).

The ASPE Maine Chapter would like to thank Toddy Brook and all of the sponsors, participants and organizers of the annual golf outing to make it a success once again. Specifically, we would like to thank Nelson & Small, Mancini Electric, Dirigo Drywall, Cianbro Corp. and Damon Mechanical for their sponsorship contributions.

It was a perfect day and the scores were low so people must be spending more time golfing than bidding new work these days!



CALENDAR

Sept. 19, 2009 ~ Saturday ~ 4:00 PM	*** ASPE COOKOUT ***
Oct. 7, 2009 ~ Wednesday ~ 5:00 PM	Social Hour / Dinner / Program
Dec. 2, 2009 ~ Wednesday ~ 5:00 PM	Social Hour / Dinner / Program
Feb. 3, 2010 ~ Wednesday ~ 5:00 PM	Social Hour / Dinner / Program
April 7, 2010 ~ Wednesday ~ 5:00 PM	Social Hour / Dinner / Program
June 2, 2010 ~ Wednesday ~ 5:00 PM	Social Hour / Dinner / Program
(Date to Be Determined) ~ 2010	ASPE Maine Golf Outing

Basic Canons (cont.)

Canon #8 - Professional estimators and those in training to be estimators shall not enter into any agreement that may be considered acts of collusion or conspiracy (bid rigging) with the implied or express purpose of defrauding clients. Acts of this type are in direct violation of the Code of Ethics of the American Society of Professional Estimators.

Canon #9 - Professional estimators and those in training to be estimators shall not participate in acts, such as the giving or receiving of gifts, that are intended to be or may be construed as being unlawful acts of bribery.

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