

# Engineers Club of Columbus, Ohio Member Benefits

# What is the Engineers Club of Columbus?

The Engineers Club of Columbus is a social organization where engineers can meet and talk about the engineering profession. Membership in the club has grown to 525 members. Many of these members are civil and other types of engineers, contractors, sales representatives, marketing professionals, and City, County and State officials from Columbus and central Ohio. The club includes active members who are registered professional engineers and associate members who are affiliated with the profession of engineering.

## **Networking**

The biggest benefit of joining the Engineers Club is the many people you meet while participating in the activities. The club is one of the best places in town to network with other central Ohio engineers and engineering professionals. The more involved in the club you are, the more people you meet.

## Social Events

The Engineers Club has great social functions and activities. Most of the money that we receive in dues is spent on the member activities. These activities include a spring and fall golf outing, a spring dinner dance, five luncheons, a large annual Christmas party and other special social activities such as happy hours.

## Golf Outings

The golf outings are held at some of the better golf courses in central Ohio including Bent Tree, Royal American and this year at the Hickory Hills Golf Club. Typical attendance at an Engineers Club golf outing is about 140 persons. Our outings are usually a four-person scramble and include a lunch, skill prizes and door prizes.

## Club Luncheons

Club luncheons have varied in location over the years and many have included tours and technical presentations. The luncheons are open to members and guests and include social time, lunch and a speaker on an engineering topic. We have had joint luncheons with the local chapters of the Ohio Society of Professional Engineers, Engineers Without Borders, the American Society of Civil Engineers, and the Women's Transportation Seminar.

#### Spring Dinner Dance

In addition to the annual officer induction ceremony this event has included a variety of events such as a dinner and dance, casino games, prizes, and a silent auction. Each year the officers enjoy the challenge of making this event more fun than the last.

#### Annual Christmas Party

Each year the club has a large Christmas party with approximately 600 persons in attendance. This year the party will be held at the Hilton at Easton Towne Center. have a live band or disc jockey for dancing and a cash bar. The highlight of the evening is the door prizes that are given to those in attendance. We usually give away more than 100 prizes.

#### **Engineers Week**

The Engineers Club also participates in Engineers Week. We are on the Engineers Week committee with other central Ohio engineering organizations. Our members attend the luncheon each year and participate in other events held during the week. The luncheon has been held at the Villa Milano banquet facility on Schrock Road over the past few years. Average attendance at the Engineers Week luncheon is about 300 persons.

## Charitable Involvement

Engineering firms, contractors and other organizations sponsor many of our activities including the Christmas party. Their assistance allows us to make annual donations to several charities on behalf of the club. In the past donations have been made to the Mid-Ohio Food Bank, Engineers Without Borders- Central Ohio Professionals Chapter, Charity Newsies, and the Stephanie Spielman fund to name a few.