

# SOUTHERN NEVADA BRANCH (LAS VEGAS) YMF FY2010 ANNUAL REPORT



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**2010-2011 OFFICERS:** Each officer's term lasts one year, and begins in mid-September in conjunction with Section and Branch transitions.

* Juan Rosales	President	4 years
* Samantha Chilton	President-Elect	3 years
* Kimberly Lowe	Treasurer	4 years
* Maylinn Rosales	Past-President	7 years

\*2011 YM Council Meeting Attendee

**2010-2011 COMMITTEE CHAIRS:**

Michael Baca	Social/Technical Tour	6 years
Andre Garces	Social/Technical Tour	2 years
Willard Pack	Website	8 years
Juan Rosales	Website	4 years
Kimberly Lowe	P.E. Review	4 years
Ernie Mejia	P.E. Review	1 year
Brian Herting	Student Liaison	1 year
Angela Pinley	Awards	2 years
Jarah Parke	Community Outreach	2 years
Keli Callahan	Website Sponsor/Career Center	8 years
Samantha Chilton	Meetings/Speakers	3 years
Courtney Warren	Historian	2 years
Christopher Luquette	SNB Liaison	11 years

**MEMBERSHIP:** Total YMG Membership: 179      Number of Active Members: 25

**GENERAL MEETING STRUCTURE:** The Southern Nevada Branch Las Vegas YMF meets approximately every 6 weeks. Our meetings are held at the Las Vegas Valley Water District (LVVWD), a centrally located agency that donates the use of their conference rooms. On average we've had about 20-25 people attend the meetings. Our agenda includes introductions, officer reports, lunch, and a 20-30 minute presentation by a guest speaker typically on an engineering related subject.

**MOST SUCCESSFUL MEETING:** The June 1, 2010 meeting with Gina Neilson from SNWA when she spoke to our group about Water Resources in Southern Nevada. We had about 20 people attend this meeting. This meeting was held at the LVVWD, with lunch served for \$5 a person.

**GROUP ACTIVITIES:** Spring PE Review, **Technical Tour of the Bellagio Fountains (best group activity)**, Student/SNB/YMF Joint tailgate social, AME Church community project, Nevada Solar One Facility Technical Tour.

**IMPROVEMENTS FOR NEXT YEAR:** For the upcoming year, we plan to focus on getting our attendance up to meetings and events. We have experienced a decline in attendance that can be attributed to the state of the economy.

**TECHNOLOGY:** Our YMF group keeps an email list of our members and we use this mailing list to distribute information about all upcoming events and meetings. Our webmasters have recently added an RSVP online feature to our website which is very convenient.

**FUNDING INFORMATION:** The Las Vegas YMF funding comes from two main sources: our website and the P.E. Review courses. Our website sponsorship activity has been a great source of income for us. The fall and spring P.E. Review Courses generate our other source of funding.

**NEW MEMBER RECRUITMENT:** During the past year, we experienced a big decline but still consistent attendance and participation in events and meetings. The best method for recruiting still seems to be by word of mouth (and/or e-mail forwarding) by active members.

**SECTION/BRANCH INTERACTION:** The Las Vegas YMF has a close relationship and positive interaction with the Nevada Section and Southern Nevada Branch leadership. The YMF President is invited and encouraged to attend the monthly NV Section and SNB board meetings to report current events and express opinions on local ASCE affairs.

**STUDENT INTERACTION:** Our Student Liaison Chair attends all of the UNLV Student Chapter meetings. We try to provide mentoring when needed, assistance with job placement and student internships, technical assistance with the Steel Bridge and Concrete Canoe teams, and supported the effort of hosting the 2010 Pacific Southwest Conference.

**MULTI-REGION AND NATIONAL YOUNGER MEMBER MEETINGS:** 2010 WRYMC: Maylinn Rosales, Christina Cazares, Michael Baca, Juan Rosales and Christopher Luquette. 2009 Annual Conference/Younger Member Leadership Symposium: Maylinn Rosales, Jason Blair, Julia Izzolo and Keli Callahan.

**UPCOMING ACTIVITIES:**

- Tailgate with Southern Nevada Branch and UNLV Student Chapter members
- Technical Tour of Hoover Dam Bypass Bridge
- Joint Christmas Charity Event with other engineering organizations in Las Vegas
- Lunch meetings approximately every six weeks
- Volunteer at the Rescue Mission
- Las Vegas Wash Green-Up
- Las Vegas 51s Game with Child Haven
- Spring Meet and Greet BBQ
- 2011 Spring P.E. Review Course
- 2011 Spring California Seismic Review Course
- 2011 Fall P.E. Review Course

**COMMENTS & SUGGESTIONS:** For the other YMGs, the Las Vegas YMF would love to do a joint group event with any other YMF that is interested in meeting up.

**OTHER:** We received a letter of commendation for the 2010 Younger Member Group Website Award, Small Group. Visit our awesome website: [www.lasvegasymf.com](http://www.lasvegasymf.com)!!