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1. Inter-School Quiz Competition based on IITK-BMTPC Earthquake Tips 2011-12

The invite to schools for quiz competition have been sent. Members are requested to encourage the schools in their area to participate in the competition during 2011-12. A brief about the previous competitions can be viewed at http://www.nicee.org/Quiz/. Members willing to conduct the preliminary round of quiz in their city of residence may please contact: Suresh Ailawadi at Tele - 0512 – 259 7749, Fax – 0512 – 259 7794 or E-mail: asuresh@iitk.ac.in

2. Open House of NICEE

The annual Earthquake Engineering Open House of NICEE is scheduled to be held at IIT Kanpur during Dec 07 – 11, 2011. The open house is held with the aim to enable postgraduate students to conduct literature survey for their thesis related to earthquake engineering issues and interact with the faculty and professionals. The Open House also welcomes professional engineers and architects to help them familiarize themselves with enormous literature available at NICEE on design and construction of safe habitat.

You can apply online for the Open House on our website http://www.nicee.org/Open_House/index.php

3. Publication - Seismic Isolation for Designers and Structural Engineers

National Information Centre of Earthquake Engineering (NICEE) has recently published "Seismic Isolation for Designers and Structural Engineers" which is authored by Trevor E. Kelly of Holmes Consulting Group, R. Ivan Skinner and Bill (W. H.) Robinson of Robinson Seismic Limited. The book provides both theory and practical aspects of seismic isolation technique, which is an extract of more than three decades of in-hand experience on the seismic isolation systems by the authors. It contains the necessary mathematical tools and introduces the empirical methods with detailed design and documentation material of type that a structural engineer would need to implement isolation technique. The book has been nominally priced at Rs. 600/- (overseas order to add Rs. 1000/- to cover air-mail postage and handling). We have had an excellent response from NICEE fraternity. To view the contents of the book and/or order please visit http://www.nicee.org/New_Releases.htm

4. 8th International Conference on Earthquake Resistant Engineering Structures, September 7-9, 2011, Chianciano Terme, Italy

8th International Conference on Earthquake Resistant Engineering Structures is scheduled to be held during September 7-9, 2011 at Chianciano Terme, Italy. For further details please visit http://www.wessex.ac.uk/11-conferences/eres-2011.html

5. 12th World Conference on Seismic Isolation, Energy Dissipation and Active Vibration Control of Structures September 20 – 23, 2011, Sochi, Russia

12th World Conference on Seismic Isolation, Energy Dissipation and Active Vibration Control of Structures is scheduled to be held at Sochi, Russia during September 20 – 23, 2011. For further details please visit http://www.12wcsi.com/

6. Short Course on Advances in Earthquake Engineering, October 28-29, 2011, Delhi

A short course on Advances in Earthquake Engineering is being conducted at Indian Institute of Technology Delhi during October 28-29, 2011. For further details please visit http://www.iitd.ac.in/events/Brochure-_Advances_in_Earthquake_Engineering-2011.pdf

7. International Conference on Earthquake Analysis and Design of Structures, December 01-03, 2011, Coimbatore

International Conference on Earthquake Analysis and Design of Structures is scheduled to be held during December 01-03, 2011 at Coimbatore. For further details please visit http://www.psgtech.edu/eqads2011/index.htm

8. 4th International Conference on Structural Stability and Dynamics, January 04-06, 2012, Jaipur

4th International Conference on Structural Stability and Dynamics is scheduled to be held during January 04-06, 2012 at Jaipur. For further details please visit http://www.tamu.edu/faculty/jnreddy/acml/icssd2012/

9. The International Conference on Earthquake Geotechnical Engineering, January 23 – 25, 2012, Luxor-Aswan, Egypt

The International Conference on Earthquake Geotechnical Engineering is scheduled to be held at Luxor-Aswan, Egypt during January 23 – 25, 2012. For further details please contact Prof. Mohamed A. Sakr, Conference Chairman at mamsakr@yahoo.com

10. 15th World Conference on Earthquake Engineering, September 24 – 28, 2012, Lisbon, Portugal

15th World Conference on Earthquake Engineering is scheduled to be held at Lisbon, Portugal during September 24 – 28, 2012. For further details please visit http://www.15wcee.org/

11. Newsletter of Earthquake Engineering Research Institute (EERI), USA

The August 2011 issue of the *EERI Newsletter* is now available online at:

http://www.eeri.org/site/news/newsletter

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8: Publications: TCLEE Report on Japan Earthquake

12. Earthquake Hazard Centre Newsletter

The July 2011 issue of Earthquake Hazard Centre Newsletter of the School of Architecture, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand can be read or downloaded from http://www.victoria.ac.nz/architecture/research/ehc/#newsletters.

The contents comprise of:

Editorial: Doing more than protecting lives

Virtual Site Visit No. 25. A unique timber multi-storey building

Summary of: EERI Special Report - The M6.3 Christchurch, Earthquake of February 22,

2011.

Summary of: General Observations of Effects of 30 September 2009 Padang Earthquake,

Indonesia.

13. Recent Donors to NICEE

NICEE thanks the recent donors for their generous contribution:

Rs. 4,000/- to Rs. 19,999/-

Sandeep Joshi, Indore

14. Obituary

With deep remorse we inform our readers the sad demise of Dr. Bill (W.H.) Robinson. Dr. Robinson, a renowned figure in the field of Earthquake Engineering, started his career at New Zealand's Department of Scientific and Industrial Research. Since the 1970's he has invented and developed a number of seismic protection devices, including the Lead Rubber Bearing now used throughout the world. NICEE has recently published the revised edition of his co-authored book "Seismic Isolation for Designers and Structural Engineers". To view the contents of the book please visit http://www.nicee.org/New_Releases.htm .

We would like to request NICEE family to join us in our prayers for his soul to rest in peace.