

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **February 18, 2020: Engineer Week Dinner, Holiday Inn Arena, Binghamton, 5:30 pm**
- February 28, 2020: Deadline for submitting comments on the new Code of Ethics*
- **March 9, 2020: Contact Your Legislator Day***
- March 11-12, 2020: Legislative Fly-In
- March 20, 2020: NYS Council meeting, Hilton Garden Inn, Glastonbury, CT
- March 21-22, 2020: Region 1 Assembly meeting, Hilton Garden Inn, Glastonbury, CT
- May 1 – June 1, 2020: ASCE National Elections*

*See information below

STILL TIME TO REGISTER: ENGINEERS WEEK DINNER

The annual Southern Tier Engineers Week Dinner is being held at the Holiday Inn Arena, 2 Hawley Street, Binghamton on Tuesday, February 18. The event starts at 5:30 pm with cash bar and poster presentations,



with dinner at 6:30 pm and awards/speaker presentations at 7:30 pm. The guest speaker at this event will be 2019 Nobel Prize Laureate in Chemistry M. Stanley Whittingham, Distinguished Professor of Chemistry and Material Science at Binghamton University. For menu and registration information, click [here](#) for event flyer. ***Deadline to register is February 14.***

AWARD NOMINATIONS DUE SOON

The New York State Council of ASCE annually recognizes commendable achievements and remarkable accomplishments of the civil engineering profession through its Awards program with 7 NYS Council awards. The awards recognize exemplary service, performance, and projects performed by ASCE members within New York State.

The full descriptions and nomination forms can be found at the [Awards page of the NYS Council website](#). Please send nomination forms for the 2019 awards to the Ithaca Section at ASCE.Ithaca@gmail.com by February 15, 2020.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY AT UNION ENDICOTT HIGH SCHOOL

Benjamin Girtain Plowe, Secretary of our Section, has been in touch with Corey Munn, engineering teacher at U-E High School. Mr. Munn is looking for volunteers to share their experiences with his students, particularly guest speakers who can talk about their day-to-day job, experiences and what their companies do on a daily basis. If enough interest is shown, an “interview an engineer” night may be scheduled. If you can help, please contact Ben at bdg55@cornell.edu for more information.

MARCH 9 IS CONTACT YOUR LEGISLATOR DAY

(The following information is extracted from a campaign included in the ASCE President's Note included in the October 2019 issue of Civil Engineering magazine). ASCE National is asking members to send electronic communications to their state and federal legislators highlighting the critical need for investment in our infrastructure. ASCE is hoping to engage at least 3,000 members to participate in this effort on the same day: March 9, 2020. This strategy is intended to maximize impact and garner the attention of mainstream media in advance of the Legislative Fly-In being held on March 11-12. The first step is to become a Key Contact; you can do this easily online at www.asce.org/keycontacts/ or email KeyContact@asce.org with the subject line "Sign Me Up!". Include your name, city and state or your company information. You will receive a template you can tailor for your March 9 email. On social media, the hashtag to use is #InfrastructureNow. **All members are encouraged to participate.**

NEW WEBSITE IS LAUNCHED

Our new website was launched on January 27. Our new URL is <http://sections.asce.org/ithaca/>. The website features:

- Information about the Ithaca Section
- Upcoming Events
- Links to NYS Council, Region 1 and ASCE headquarter websites and resources
- Contact information
- A repository for newsletters
- Award categories and links to nomination forms



NATIONAL ELECTIONS BEING HELD FROM MAY 1 TO JUNE 1, 2020

Candidates for Society President-Elect for 2021 have been announced. They are Maria Lehman, P.E., ENV SP, F.ASCE from the Buffalo (NY) Section and Dennis D. Truax, Ph.D., P.E., DEE, D.WRE, F.ASCE from the Mississippi Section. [Click here](#) for more information on these candidates. The election winner will go on to serve as Society President in 2022.

Also on the ballot this year will be changes to the Society Constitution. Quite a few changes have been proposed with a goal to make the document more condensed and easier to read. Many existing provisions are being moved to the bylaws. [Click here](#) for more information and a link to the proposed changes.

All members are urged to vote this year!

CODE OF ETHICS REVISIONS UNDER REVIEW

ASCE's Task Committee on the Code of Ethics is soliciting comments from members on the proposed new Code of Ethics. Comments on the Draft Code of Ethics can be submitted [here](#).

Comment deadline is February 28, 2020. If you haven't already done so, please review the proposed changes and provide any comments.

OPEN POSITIONS

We still need to fill open positions for Section Officers. Positions are President-Elect and Vice President. Please consider becoming an officer; engagement provides not only networking opportunities, but enhances professional development and comes with the personal satisfaction from knowing you are promoting the profession of civil engineering. You can contact us at ASCE.lthaca@gmail.com if interested in being an officer.

HOW TO CONTACT US

Send your ideas, suggestions or other correspondence via email to ASCE.lthaca@gmail.com.