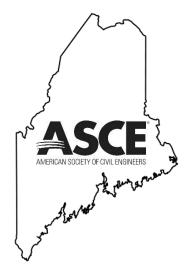
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NEWSLETTER OF THE MAINE SECTION ASCE

March 2020



From the Editor:

Happy March Everyone!

This month's issue of The Informant is full! The Maine Section has been busy planning out the rest of our calendar year, and as usual March kicks off celebrating E-Week and the Engineering Expo. The annual Technical Seminar resilience program has come together nicely and we are excited to offer 6 PDH's to attendees. Along the lines of celebration, if you know of an outstanding young engineer, engineer who gives back to the community, or a seasoned engineer with amazing projects under their hard hat, please nominate them for an ASCE Award!

If you have ideas, suggestions, questions, etc. please feel free to contact us at informant.ascemaine@gmail.com.

I hope to see you soon!

Heather

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President's Message

March is a busy month for the Maine Section ASCE. To start off we are a sponsor of E-Week being held at the University of Maine. This is a great event every year where kids of all ages get to see demonstrations of engineering and to meet practicing engineers. With increased sponsorships to the Maine Engineering Promotion Council, the entrance fee has been eliminated.

Later this month we will be having the ASCE Technical Seminar. This all day event is a great way to pick up a few PDHs and to network with other attendees. This will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn in Auburn. I hope to see you there.

Maine is also sending two delegates to the ASCE Fly-in. This event is sponsored by ASCE where members from Sections and Branches from all over the country converge on Washington DC to discuss infrastructure needs to our elected Representatives and Senators.

The Student Section at UMaine is coordinating to have students Job Shadow at Maine companies to see how things are done in the real world. This is a great way to introduce these students to engineering practice. Please contact Cece Walton at cwalton@vhb.com if you are interested in hosting a student for a day or even a few hours. Thanks again for all you do to support civil engineering and the Maine Section.

John Kuchinski, PE Maine Section President





Maine Section American Society of Civil Engineers Technical Seminar

Hilton Garden Inn, Auburn March 19th, 2020

Come join the Maine Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers at our annual Technical Seminar!

Location:

Hilton Garden Inn Riverwatch 14 Great Falls Plaza Auburn, ME 04210

Schedule:

7:30 - 8:00 AM Registration 8:00 - 12:00 PM Speakers 12:00 - 1:00 PM Lunch 1:00 - 4:00 PM Speakers

This year's topics include:

Resiliency and Maine's Future

- Resiliency Methods
- South Portland 's Climate Tool
- Stonington Vulnerability Study
- Maine's Living Shoreline
- ...and much more!

RSVP By March 12th!

Price:

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\$150 Maine ASCE Member

_ \$175 Non-Members and Members/Government/Municipal after Thursday March 12th

__ \$60 Students, Retirees, Life Members, and Unemployed Members

Send Registration to:

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AGENDA:





Maine Section ASCE Annual Technical Seminar Thursday, March 19th, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Hilton Garden Inn, Auburn, Maine

7:30 – 8:00 Registration, Coffee/breakfast	
8:00 – 8:05 Welcome Remarks	
8:05 – 9:10 Using Engineering and Technology to Solve our Waste Management Issues Where does it go and what happens to it all?? Presented by: Katrina Bussiere-Venhuizen, ecomaine	-
9:10 – 10:15 Municipal Flood Vulnerability Study: Stonington, ME Presented by: Leila Pike, P.E., GEI Consultants, Inc	
10:15 - 10:25 Break	
10:45 – 11:50 Extending the Service Life of Bridges in Maine Presented by: Robert Blunt, P.E. and Mackenzie Bowe, P.E., VHB	
11:50 – 1:00 Lunch	
1:00 – 1:45 Community Mapping for Coastal Resilience Presented by: Gayle Bowness, GMRI and Lucy Perkins, City of South Portland	
1:45 – 2:50 Integrating Resilient Infrastructure and Energy Transition Projects to Sup Maine's Climate Action Goals Presented by: Peter Hall, Wood.	port
2:50 – 3:15 Break	
3:15 – 4:20 Furthering Living Shoreline Approaches in Casco Bay, Maine Presented by: Peter Slovinsky, Maine Geological Survey, Department of Agricult Conservation and Forestry	ure,
4:20 – 4:30 Closing Remarks and Adjourn	









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Thursday, March 12, 2020

6:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Custom House Hall 312 Fore Street, Portland, Maine



TICKETS: \$30 in advance online at ewbportlandmaine.org or \$35 at the door.

All proceeds support EWB's current project in Ecuador as well as work within our local communities.

Member Testifies before House Small Business Subcommittee



Lynn Frazier, P.E., A.M.ASCE, testified before the House Small Business Subcommittee on Contracting and Infrastructure about the connection between reliable infrastructure and economic growth. Ms. Frazier shared ASCE's 2017 Report Card for America's Infrastructure, the Failure to Act series, and recommendations for how Congress can "raise the grades." The hearing follows last month's unveiling of the House Democrats' proposed \$760 billion, five-year, framework for infrastructure investment and the House Republicans' proposed infrastructure principles. Read more>>



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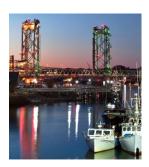
April 2020 ASCE-ME/NH Section Joint Meeting

WHEN: Wednesday, April 8, 2020

WHERE: Sheraton Portsmouth Harborside (250 Market Street – Portsmouth, NH 03801)

PRESENTATION: Bridging the Piscataqua River - Maintaining the Portsmouth Harbor Bridges

The Portsmouth Harbor is a unique waterbody that connects ME and NH with three bridges (Memorial, Sarah Mildred Long, and Piscataqua River (I-95)). As with any structure spanning water proper maintenance is a critical component to ensuring the Design Service Life is met (and hopefully exceeded). The NHDOT Bureau of Bridge Maintenance is responsible for these three bridges as well as the maintenance of the state's system of highway bridges, including bridge repair and rehabilitation. We will be treated to a behind-the-scenes look at how these three bridges are cared for while spanning one the fastest flowing tidal waterways in the Continental United States.



SPEAKER'S BIO: Steve Johnson, P.E. is the NHDOT Bureau of Bridge Maintenance Administrator. Steve is a graduate of Iowa State University and worked for consultants designing bridges and buildings in New York and New Hampshire for 26-year's prior to working for the NHDOT for the past 13-year's.

AGENDA: 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Registration/Social Hour (cash bar)

> 6:30 pm - 7:15 pm Dinner 7:15 pm – 8:15 pm Presentation 8:15 pm - 8:30 pm Closing Remarks

FOOD: Minestrone Soup, Classic Caesar Salad, Baked Ricotta Cheese Manicotti, Italian Meatballs w/ Penne

Pasta, Chicken Marsala, Sausage & Peppers, & Warm Garlic Bread and White Chocolate Mousse

Cannoli, Italian Cookies, and Coffee/Tea.

Please include any food allergies or dietary restrictions to be accommodated.

Member/Non-Member: \$55.00 & State/Municipal Employee: \$45.00 COST:

RSVP: By Friday, April 3, 2020 to avoid late fee (\$5.00).

Registration and payments can be completed using the following registration webpage:

http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=nfvkd8kab&oeidk=a07egxz2sca5616839f

NOTE: 1.0-PDH has been assigned for attending this event









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- Recognition from the podium at E-Week Banquet Opportunity to speak at E-Week Banquet
- 8 complimentary tickets to E-Week Banquet
- Premium exhibit space at the EXPO

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- Logo/Link on MEPC website homepage

- Logo on event t-shirt distributed at EXPO
 Listing on signage at EXPO & Banquet
 Recognition from podium at E-Week Banquet
 4 complimentary tickets to E-Week Banquet
- Priority exhibit space at the EXPO

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- Exhibit space at EXPO

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- Recognition from podium at E-Week Banquet
- Exhibit Space at EXPO

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Maine Section ASCE Awards!

Our Section continues to win national awards because of all of our great members! To help say thank you, each year, the Maine Section ASCE recognizes an Engineer of the Year, a Young Engineer of the Year, and a Citizen Engineer. Many of our colleagues often go unrecognized for their contributions, and this is the opportunity to express gratitude for the good work and service to the community that they provide. Please consider submitting a nomination for one or more of the awards this year. The award forms are attached to the email.

Civil Engineer of the Year – presented annually to an individual who is a P.E. in Maine, has demonstrated noteworthy engineering skills, and commendable contribution of their time to the betterment of society.

Young Civil Engineer of the Year – recognize the professional contributions of younger civil engineers. The recognition is made to an engineer who is an EIT or PE in Maine and is 35 years of age or less on May 1st of the year of the award and has attained professional achievement.

Maine Section Citizen Engineer – This award is to recognize Civil Engineers who are known for volunteering their expertise to help in their community or at a national level. These individuals have contributed significant personal energy to enhance the recognition of civil engineering as a respected profession through their involvement.

Submit your nomination forms and supporting information to the chair of the awards committee chair, Philip Dunn at the following mailing address: University of Maine, School of Engineering Technology, 5711 Boardman Hall, Room 119, Orono, ME 04469-5711 or through email at philip.dunnjr@maine.edu.

Kitty Breskin Project Award -

Maine ASCE has instituted the project award in honor of the late Kitty Breskin, P.E., a Maine Department of Transportation engineer and a past-president of Maine ASCE. The inaugural winner of the Kitty Breskin Project Award, presented at the May 14, 2015 annual meeting, was in fact the MaineDOT's Kitty Breskin-Muscongus Bridge Project. The project was honored for its innovative use of technology and important contribution to infrastructure in Maine.

In order for other projects to be considered for the award they will have to show the same innovation and contribution to the community as the inaugural award. The Maine Section Award committee will review nominations and notify the winner by May 1. The award presentation will be made and the project will be featured at the Maine Section annual meeting typically held the third week in May. Nominations are to be submitted via mail to the ASCE President and received by 5 p.m on April 10. This year's projects will be submitted to John Kuchinski, Maine Section ASCE President, 2019-2020. President.ASCEmaine@gmail.com

The nomination material should provide information on the project and its features. Examples to include would be how the project provided safety improvements, environmental benefits, was cost effective, had a shortened schedule, charitable aspect, unique design for Maine, or was first of its kind in Maine. Every project nomination does not need to have all of these mentioned but should showcase if applicable as they will be weighed heavily. Nominations should be limited to 6 pages total not including pictures (3 pages double sided or 6 single sided pages). Pictures need to be provided on a cd or memory stick and become the property of Maine Section ASCE to display as part of the award process. The project must be substantially built by April 1 of the year being nominated for and the design team and/or the project must be based in Maine.

Nominations will be received until **April 10, 2020.** Forms attached with the email.





Student Chapter Update

New Officers

The spring semester is in full swing at the University of Maine! We have four new officers settling in and two old ones returning. Maeve Shea (that's me!), a sophomore, is the new president. Alden Burns (sophomore) is reprising his role as Vice President, and Samantha Grice (sophomore) has moved up from Social Media chair to Secretary. Kettie Cormier, also a sophomore, is the new treasurer. Claire Klaus and Tanner Binette, both juniors, are the new Social Media and Outreach chairs, respectively.

WSCL

At the very end of January, the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer travelled to Philadelphia to attend the Workshop for Student Chapter Leaders as part of the Eastern Region Younger Member Conference. This was an excellent chance for us to see the wide influence of ASCE as an international organization, hone our leadership skills, swap ideas with other student chapter leaders, and spend time with the Maine Section leadership.

Remodeling The Chez

We certainly came back from the WSCL feeling fired up, and although we came back with pages full of ideas, we've narrowed them down to a few that we can try to accomplish during our tenure. Perhaps the most significant of these is our desire to give The Chez, the civil engineering student lounge, a makeover. We're planning to repaint, declutter, add some additional study spaces, and better memorialize the things that have been left behind in the space. There's a beautiful bridge, house, and boat all made out of wood, a cardinal painting, and tons of trophies. If you attended UMaine and know the story behind any of these objects (or have another story about The Chez you'd like to share), please contact me at maeve.shea@maine.edu.

P3: Practitioner Presentations and Pizza

Our tradition of weekly presentations from practitioners with pizza lunch has continued! We would like to thank the speakers who have come up to present in January and February:

- Scott Tomlinson spoke on January 29th about his research at the Advanced Structures and Composites Center.
- Chris Daubert (a recent UMaine graduate) and Don Ettinger spoke on February 12th about their work at Gorrill Palmer, as well as the exciting job opportunities available there.
- Craig Douglas from the Brunswick Topsham Water District spoke on February 19th about the decade-long process to build a new water distribution center, and shared some lessons he's learned along the way.

We are seeking three additional speakers for the remainder of the semester. We have a lot of fourth-year students attending meetings this semester, and these presentations are an excellent opportunity to expose them to your firm and let them know about job opportunities. If you would like to speak, please contact Alden Burns at alden.burns@maine.edu to get on the schedule.

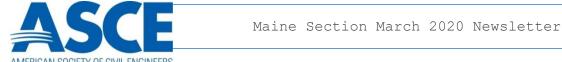
Social Events

This February, several student members joined the Maine Section for Ski Day at Sugarloaf and had a blast! Here on campus, we participated in a snow sculpture competition. We won second place with a wildly out of scale, but structurally sound, suspension bridge--complete with a two-lane road and an arch underneath.

Our Snow Bridge

Sincerely, Maeve Shea **UMaine ASCE Student Chapter President**







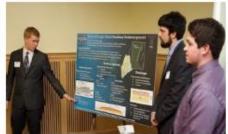








The American Society of Civil Engineers Maine Section Presents:







2020 Senior Capstone Project Gallery & Presentation

When: Thursday, April 23, 2020 from 5:00pm to 8:00pm

Where: Wells Conference Center, University of Maine in Orono

What: The senior civil engineering students will be displaying their capstone posters during the social hour. Each of the capstone teams will present their posters to a team of judges while competing for the coveted Gala Cup and cash prizes. This is your chance to see what the seniors have learned over the past four years at the University of Maine!

After the judging is complete, dinner will be served and the raffle will be drawn. Following dinner, we will enjoy a presentation by Joyce Taylor, P.E., Chief Engineer for MaineDOT. Prizes will then be awarded to the winning teams to wrap up the evening!

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Nu	mber of Attendees:
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	\$40 ASCE Members Before RSVP Deadline
COL	\$45 Non-Members and Members After RSVP Deadline
3	\$30 Parents, Retirees, and Unemployed Members
33	\$10 Students*

Make checks payable to: Maine Section ASCE *Parents - you do not need to pay for your senior students!

Schedule of Events:

5:00-6:15 Registration, Social, and Judging 6:15-7:00 Dinner and Raffle 7:00-7:30 Presentation 7:30-7:45 Awards

Contact:

Mail or email your RSVP by April 10 to: Sam Grice UMaine ASCE Student Chapter Secretary 5711 Boardman Hall Orono, ME 04469 samantha.grice@maine.edu





Judges and Sponsors Needed For 2020 Senior Capstone **Project Gallery & Presentation**







The Maine Section of the ASCE is currently looking for sponsors and judges for the 2020 University of Maine Senior Capstone Project Gallery & Presentation taking place on Thursday, April 23 at the Wells Conference Center on the University of Maine campus from 5:00pm to 8:00pm.

We are looking for people to judge the senior civil engineering student's capstone posters to determine which capstone team will win the coveted Gala Cup and cash prizes! All judges will get half off the registration fee for the dinner and presentation after the judging is complete.

We are also looking for company sponsorships! We are asking that that each firm interested donate \$200 and provide at least one small gift to be used as a raffle item for the seniors. The cash donation is intended to help offset the cost of the students' dinner and registration fees. It also includes registration for one representative from your company for this event. The raffle item does not have to be expensive and we suggest anything from a gift card to something as simple as donating some of your company's branded gear (could be a company logo shirt or similar).

If you are interested in being a judge or sponsor, or if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Cecelia Walton at cwalton@vhb.com by April 10. Checks for sponsorships can be made out to Maine Section ASCE and can be sent to the Maine Section Treasurer, Esther Bizier, at the following address: 26 Beckler Rd, Livermore, ME 04253.









STEM Camp Scholarships

The Maine Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) is happy to announce the continuation of our **SUMMER STEM CAMP SCHOLARSHIP** program!

- ✓ **Who?** Maine Students currently enrolled in Grades K-8.
- ✓ What? To attend Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) oriented camps.
- ✓ Where? Any STEM camp you choose!
- ✓ When? Applications must be received by April 30th
- ✓ **How much?** Up to \$350 to cover the cost of camp!

The fine print: To help those who may need assistance with camp fees we will be providing an undetermined number of scholarships to winners statewide. The selection criteria will be based on financial need and the camper's statement about why they would like to attend a STEM camp.

The payment will be sent as a reimbursement to the parent once the camp is complete and proof of attendance/cost is received. If for any reason your camper cannot attend the camp as intended the scholarship will be given to the next eligible applicant on our list. Each camper will be asked to send us pictures and write a letter about their experience to share with the board and membership as a "thank you". This isn't meant to be homework we're just very excited to hear about your adventure!

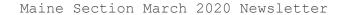
To apply for a scholarship please fill out the following form and mail or email to:

Don LeBlanc 12 Sokokis Road Biddeford, ME 04005 don@dlvews.com

You can also call if you have any questions: 207-992-3080

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SUMMER STEM CAMP SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

About the Student	
Name:	
School:	
Age & Grade:	
About the Parent(s)	
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Ages of children:	
Expected annual income (approximately):	
Name and Mailing Address:	
About the Summer Camp	
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- \$500 for 1 year (9 issues)

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