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President's Message

By Matthew D. Millias, P.E.

Constitution and Bylaws – Every ASCE Section, including Syracuse, is required to adopt the ASCE National Constitution and Bylaws. The sections are allowed to revise the Constitution and Bylaws to appropriately meet their needs. The last revision to our Constitution and Bylaws was done over twenty years ago (1982). Although not my idea of fun, I think it is important to review and revise these documents, as appropriate, to keep the Syracuse Section in compliance but also allow some flexibility. There are several issues that require attention, some more critical than others. The following are issues I'd like to get some feedback from section members:

- **Quarterly/Annual Section Meetings:** Although required in the current Constitution and Bylaws, I haven't been aware of a section meeting being conducted in the past 5 years that I've been active as an officer. Note that Section Meetings differ from Board Meetings, which are held monthly from September to May and are attended by the Board of Directors. Please consider the following questions: 1) Are they necessary? 2) Who would be interested in attending? 3) Should they be made optional or removed completely from the Constitution and Bylaws?
- **Board Member Responsibility:** Currently, the responsibilities of board members are very specific. Given the changing schedules, time constraints, and interests of the board members, it may make sense to allow some flexibility with regard to assignments and responsibilities. Any thoughts?
- **Committee Formation and Procedures:** The requirements for forming and operating a section committee needs to be modified to allow more flexibility. Is there interest out there regarding forming an ASCE committee that could benefit our members?
- Contact me at Matt.Millias@Parsons.com with feedback.

Events – ASCE has some exciting and worthwhile events coming up this winter:

- The West Point Bridge Design Contest for U.S. Students age 13 through Grade 12. This nationwide internet-based competition promotes civil engineering in schools. Participation is free [Go to <http://bridgecontest.usma.edu> between January 11, 2003 and April 10, 2003]. ASCE members are encouraged to promote the competition within local schools.

- The Celebration of Technology is in its 5th year on March 20, 2003 at the Holiday Inn, Liverpool, NY. Habitat for Humanity will be involved and local technology enthusiasts are encouraged to demonstrate innovative building materials/techniques. An expo, awards dinner, and presentation will be part of the celebration.
- New York State will implement a mandatory Continued Education program in 2004 that requires professional engineers to obtain appropriate education units to gain or retain licensure. ASCE Syracuse Section plans to offer a class in April 2003.
- The Syracuse Section will be scheduling a joint event with the Clarkson University ASCE Chapter this winter/spring. Especially members located in the north portion of our section, let me know if you could attend an event in Potsdam or Watertown. Topic suggestions?

Awards – The Syracuse Section offers awards throughout the year:

- Lifetime achievement awards. Several awards will be given this year at the Celebration of technology.
- Fellow member awards. This year, Gordon Batson, PhD, P.E. has been named a Fellow Member...Congrats Gordon.
- Syracuse University student award. One student active in the SU ASCE Chapter will be awarded a monetary prize.
- Clarkson University student award. One student active in the CU ASCE Chapter will be awarded a monetary prize.
- One student active in the SU ASCE Chapter will be awarded a monetary prize.

Website – Please visit our new website at <http://sections.asce.org/syracuse/> to gain valuable information on ASCE Syracuse Section or to link to other important sites. We will be rolling out a new recruiting page soon. If your firm or organization is interested in placing a link on our website for recruiting purposes, contact John Haberer at 315-457-5200. The cost is only \$100/year we will notify college students, consulting firms, local/state/federal engineering departments, and many other technical employees of this recruiting tool.

2003 ASCE Syracuse Section

Program Schedule

ASCE Event	Tentative Date/Time	Description
Building Big	February 2003	ASCE will judge local student's bridge and team oriented engineering contests at OCC
Technology Alliance Banquet	March 2003	ASCE will participate in the dinner/awards banquet
Continued Education Course	April 2003	ASCE will sponsor a continued education course
Joint Dinner Meeting with the ASCE Ithaca Section	May 2003	Syracuse/Ithaca will team up for a dinner/technical presentation
Syracuse Chiefs Baseball Game	June 2003	Picnic and ballgame
Adopt-A-Highway	April 2003 – September 2003	4 patrols will be schedule to keep ASCE's portion of I81 clean
Board Meetings	2 nd Tuesday of each month; 6:00PM at the Parsons Liverpool Office	The ASCE Syracuse Section Board will meet. ASCE members are welcome

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