

THE

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NEWSLETTER OF THE MAINE SECTION ASCE

May 2023



From the Editor:

May is here, and after a seemingly unending stretch of gray days I am grateful for this sun. Our biggest upcoming events are the Annual Meeting on Thursday, May 18th and the Scholarship Golf Tournament Friday, June 2nd. Please join us to celebrate a great year and the accomplishments of our award winners and section over the 2022-2023 year. We can still use a few hole sponsorships and teams!

We are also planning a joint summer meeting in June with WTS in Portsmouth, so keep an eye out for a save the date for that!

We hope to see you soon,

Heather

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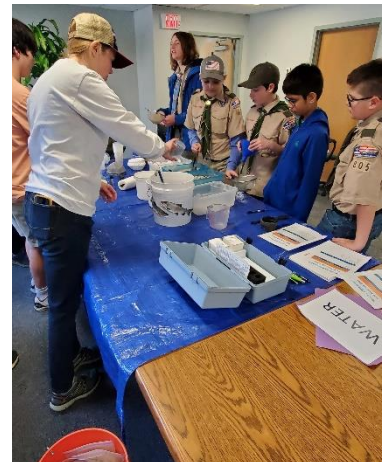
President's Message

Hello Maine ASCE –

It may not feel quite like spring yet with these cooler temperatures, but I sure am glad that the grass is turning green! This year has absolutely flown by. We certainly have had a busy April as a board.

We held the Technical Seminar on April 13th up in Auburn at the Hilton Garden Inn. It was great weather that day too – we should have held it outside with the view of the water coming down over the rocks, haha. The event was well attended with upwards of 50 folks in the room. We had excellent presentations on aquatic life in streams, the new Jordan lift @ Sunday River, and much more. The board would like to thank all of the folks who presented and who were in attendance. A special thanks to Jayson Haskell for setting it all up.

On April 22nd we were able to hold our first Boy Scout Badge Day in 3 years; which seems crazy to me that it has been that long since we have been able to host the kids and their troop leaders. Again, a very well attended event with over 30 scouts. In my opinion, the bridge building exercise is the most challenging to complete in 30 minutes. It is fun to watch the kids collaborate and try to think of ways to accomplish their tasks. Thank you so much to everyone who volunteered. Nate Powelson, who really stepped up this year and organized the event. Lauren Swett - for always being so great and helpful with ASCE events (she practically had the rooms all set up for us when we arrived in the morning). Thanks to Woodard & Curran for letting us use their current building one last time 😊.



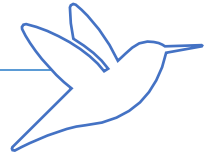
We will have our Golf Tournament coming up this summer. Heather is coordinating that event and we invite you to attend and come have fun with us.

It has been an absolute pleasure and honor to serve you as president this year. We were able to do a lot of in-person monthly meetings and events which helped us get to know each other better. At the beginning of the year, I mentioned that I would need the support of the board and my peers, and I certainly received it. Thank you to everyone for being so gracious with their time and energies. I look forward to continuing next year in some capacity. Mr. Dunn and I have already started discussing a barbecue at the UMaine campus in early fall. If you know me well enough, you know cooking is a passion. Thanks again and I hope to see everyone at the Annual Meeting on May 18th at the Spring Meadows Golf Resort in Gray.

Thanks,

Don LeBlanc, P.E.

Maine Section ASCE President



Maine Section ASCE Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet

Thursday, May 18, 2023 5PM



Spring Meadows Golf Course
59 Lewiston Road, Gray, ME

Join us as we unwind from another busy year at the Maine Section ASCE Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet.

Come socialize and network with your engineering colleagues and meet aspiring high school students. Make sure to bring your competitive side to outwit those around you in the annual Younger Member Trivia challenge. **Prizes to be award** so make sure to pick your teammates carefully!

The meeting will feature award presentations, high school scholarship presentations, honoring of life members and the induction of the new section officers.

Email Nate Strout Nate.Strout@swcole.com or register online here:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/maine-section-asce-annual-meeting-awards-banquet-tickets-632399994407>





MAINE SECTION ASCE

30TH ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP GOLF TOURNAMENT

2 JUNE 2023

Registration at 7:30/ Tee Off 8:30 AM

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To register email heather.hayes@sewall.com or,

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MAINE SECTION YOUNGER MEMBERS VIEWS AND BREWS



The Views!

Get outside and meet some of your fellow young professionals. Join us at Mount Pisgah in Winthrop, ME. The parking space is limited, so please consider carpooling if possible!

The Brews!

Afterwards, come have food and drinks with your fellow younger members at Cushnoc Brewing Company in Augusta, ME!

10 June 2:00 PM

Meet at Summit Trailhead

[Mt Pisgah Road, Winthrop, ME 04364](#)

After at Cushnoc Brewing Company

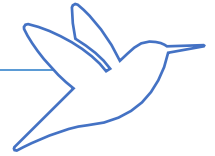
243 Water Street, Augusta, ME 04330

Please RSVP by June 7th!

E-mail Chris Daubert at

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Life Member & Past President Breakfast

The Maine Section celebrated our Life Members and Past Presidents on Wednesday, March 29th with a breakfast at TIQA and a tour of the International Marine Terminal (IMT) on the Portland waterfront. The Section is very grateful for this group's contributions to Civil Engineering and the public's quality of life in Maine. We had some great discussions over breakfast about other potential Life Member and Past President events and how the Section can better leverage the vast experience of this combined group which represents many of the past and current leaders of our industry. We also lucked out with some great early spring weather on the waterfront for the great tour from the IMT and Eimskip staff. Their cargo container crane was an impressive piece of machinery, as was the volume of freight they move through this facility which will be supplemented by a new cold storage building.

We had 28 attendees, including 15 Past Presidents and 7 Life Members dating back to 1991. 2 attendees, Mike Moreau and Steve Bradstreet, are among the select few Section members that are on both these lists. Dana Humphrey also joined Mike and Steve as the 3 attendees that also attended the last Past President formal meeting in 2000 as part of the Section's 50th Anniversary (see included 2000 photo). It was great for us all to reconnect with folks that we haven't worked with or seen in many years.

To build on the momentum and ideas shared at the meeting, the Section is considering having a Life Member/Past President & Younger Member cribbage tournament at a southern Maine venue in September. Intent would be to randomly pair up a LM/PP with a YM as a team to play a double elimination cribbage tournament over some appetizers and drinks, with breaks in play for some informal 1-on-1 mentoring discussions.

We plan to have another breakfast/tour type LM/PP event next spring sometime after the Section Annual Meeting in May as well.

We'll be soliciting other LM bios to further populate our Section web page LM roster. Any LMs who haven't submitted a bio can reach out to Tim Merritt (timothy.merritt@dot.gov) for access to our online fillable form.

At the meeting, we discussed other ways that Life Members and Past Presidents can get more involved with Section needs. Here's a partial list:

1. Life Member committee (need volunteers)
2. Help with the History & Heritage committee by visiting/logging existing landmarks or assisting with new applications.
3. Write articles on CE history, rewarding career moments, interpersonal development/skills, career lessons learned, past Section activities, etc. for the Informant, could have a regular "LL/PP Corner" if you will.
4. Volunteer judges at UMaine Senior Gala or other events.
5. Boy Scout badge day
6. E-week booth activities
7. Infrastructure Report Card – participate in a sector briefing/letter grade or do peer review





Looking for Employment?

Engineering Associate

Full time position available in Portland, ME area for Civil or Environmental Engineering Graduate (other engineering majors will be considered) with Company involved with the design and sales of engineered products for stormwater management.

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Candidate Qualifications:

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Respond with resume to kmckee@stormcrete.com

Ski Day Recap!

We had 44 ASCE members, students and their families attend, including 16 student members from UMaine.





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Cost: Quarter Page (3.75"x5") - \$35
Half Page (7.5"x5") - \$75 for 1 month
- \$500 for 1 year (9 issues)
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The deadline for submissions is the 20th of each month prior to publication.