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## January News and Updates

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### Upcoming Events

#### ASCE – LSAW Joint Meeting – January 22, 2020 at 630PM

National Geodetic Survey is replacing the North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83) and the North American Vertical Datum of 1988 (NAVD 88) with a new geometric reference frame and [geopotential datum in 2022](#). The change in Washington is nearly 1 meter lower. Pat Beehler with WA Department of Natural Resources will provide an overview of what these changes mean for civil engineers and land surveyors. This joint meeting with the Land Surveyors Association of Washington will be held at Pellegrino's event center in Tumwater. [Click here](#) to register for the meeting. The cost is \$20. for a delicious pasta and salad buffet.

#### Happy Hour and Networking on January 16 at Rhein Haus in Tacoma 630:830PM.

Join our young members for networking and a round or two of bocce ball. Enjoy appetizers and meet some other engineers to start the new year of with fun. Bocce ball action starts at 7PM. Need more information contact [Amy Anderson](#).

#### St. Martin's University Engineers Dinner Meeting - February 21, 2020

[Engineers Week](#) is February 16-22 and St. Martin' University hosts a dinner meeting for local engineers and students to recognize our amazing profession and raise money for scholarships. This is a great time to meet students and discuss our work. More details on the meeting will be available by the middle of January. Save the date, plan on attending and sponsor a student.

### Other News

#### UW HOSTING ASCE PACIFIC NORTHWEST STUDENT CONFERENCE

The University of Washington will be hosting the 2020 Pacific Northwest Student Conference next April. The UW Students are in the middle of Fundraising, and need some help. They are looking to fundraise about \$25,000!

Please [click here to donate](#) and learn about their crowdfunding campaign, and feel free to share this with friends, colleagues, etc.



If you have any questions, please let Nicki Peden (Conference Chair) and Emma Van Orden (UW ASCE President).

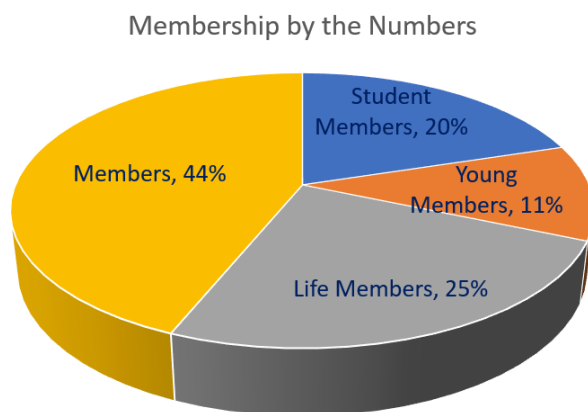
Students will appreciate the help!

### SKI TRIP FOR YOUNG MEMBERS

This February we are having our annual weekend or day long ski retreat at Snoqualmie Pass with members from the Seattle, Oregon, and Tacoma/Olympia sections. Activities not just skiing but also snowboarding, snowshoeing, tubing, and group ice breakers. Lodging and food will be provided. People can participate in many activities or just one. This event usually fills up with 20-30 people so please click the link for more information. <https://forms.gle/bi6sFWhykpVoWbae9>



### Membership by the Numbers! Looking for New Members!!



We have 436 members in our section and we are growing. The d chart on the left shows that we have a about 25 % life members and 20% students. The board made a goal this year to add forty new members and get more people involved in our section. Are you interested in hosting a meeting for us? We will bring the pizza and discuss some of the opportunities of joining ASCE.

Contact [Tom Szymoniak](#) if you have some ideas for increasing our membership.

## Volunteers NEEDED!!

### Want To Help Your Section?

Over the past couple of months, we have traveled to Olympia, Tacoma and Gig Harbor to meet with you in your community to learn how we can increase our presence and elevate our profession. We had some great ideas come out of these informal meetings. We are also reaching out to engineering companies and discussing ways that our section can assist with training, leadership development, advocacy and recruitment. We are also actively seeking volunteers to help with our student



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