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## VTASCE Monthly News and Updates

Good evening members of the Vermont Section of ASCE! We enjoyed seeing you at the UVM Hockey Night, Engineers Banquet, and the Younger Member Bowling Night. We have more exciting events coming up including the Transportation Design Build Project in Syracuse, NY Lunch and Learn this Wednesday March 27th. Be sure to register below!

*Note - We are in the process of transitioning our communications platform from Constant Contact to ASCE Thrive/Informz. Stay tuned for more information on this!*

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Reminder that we are now on Instagram! Follow us at [@vtasce](#)

For more information about Vermont ASCE you can always visit our website using the link below. Also see **job postings** and a list of our **sponsors** below. If you have any questions about the many benefits of being a Vermont ASCE member, please don't hesitate to contact us using the button below or visit the ASCE Website [Member Benefits](#). If you would like to become a member or renew your membership, please use the links below.

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## **President's Message**

Hello All!

Happy spring! It feels good saying that after this winter of crazy weather and multiple mud seasons. Bring on the sunshine and longer days.

With the arrival of spring, we are gearing up to fill four voting-member board positions that will open in May as the terms come to an end including President-Elect, Secretary, New England Delegate, and Younger Member Chair. The Vermont Section of ASCE is run by an all-volunteer board and the continued success of the organization relies on members stepping up to fill these critical board positions. It is a great opportunity to help shape our engineering community, build professional networks, and develop leadership skills. If you have any interest in joining the board, either running for one of the open positions, or filling one of our many non-voting member positions, please reach out to me directly. Within the next couple of weeks, we will be sending out a ballot to vote on the new board members. Inductions will take place at our annual meeting in May.



In the short term, we have some really great events coming up including a technical lunch and learn presentation on a transportation design build project in Syracuse, NY on Wednesday March 27th. We're also planning another technical lunch and learn presentation for April and our annual in-person meeting in May. Stay tuned for more details and feel free to reach out if you have any questions about ASCE, would like to become more involved, or even if you would just like to connect.

Hope to see you soon!

Thank you,

Matt Estabrooks

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## **Join the VT ASCE Board - Call for Nominees**

Are you interested in becoming more involved in ASCE? We have four Voting Member positions that will be open in May, and we are very interested in hearing from eager Vermont Engineers that are willing to join the board and contribute to Vermont's engineering community. We also have openings for several Non-Voting Member positions. If you would like to learn more about any position, or just want to get more involved, please reach out to Matt Estabrooks ([mestabrooks@sanbornhead.com](mailto:mestabrooks@sanbornhead.com)).

We are currently seeking nominees for the following Voting Member positions:

- President-Elect
- Secretary
- Younger Member Chair

- New England Delegate

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## **Calling all ASCE Younger Members**

Calling all ASCE Younger Members! We are seeking volunteers (particularly in structural, geotechnical, and transportation engineering) to serve as panelists at our Younger Member Panel event on April 10th at UVM. The event aims to bridge the gap between academia and industry, focusing on subjects like graduation-to-career paths, engineering ethics, and project highlights. Use this chance to bolster your professional profile while inspiring tomorrow's engineers! To volunteer, email our Younger Member Chair, Zelda Dively, at [zdively@vhb.com](mailto:zdively@vhb.com)

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## **2024 Vermont ASCE Sponsorship Request**

We are seeking sponsorships to help support several great ASCE Vermont Section programs and events that are planned for 2024. With your support, VT ASCE provides undergraduate funding to civil engineering students at the University of Vermont and Norwich University and contributes to the VSE scholarship program, Engineers Week, and MathCounts. Sponsorships also allow us to offer a reduced rate to engineering students to attend our events which provide fun and educational opportunities for students to engage with professional members and learn what ASCE is all about.




As part of a VT-ASCE Sponsorship, your Logo will be featured on the VT-ASCE website and our monthly newsletter for the 2024 calendar year. Our Black Diamond Sponsors will also receive two 2-month job postings in 2024 (a \$300 value!). If you would like to sponsor the ASCE Vermont Section, please fill out the sponsorship form below and return to Andrea Ameden, VT Section Treasurer.

Thank you for your support!

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Black Diamond Sponsor		Includes logo on Website, logo on Newsletter, two free job Postings, and recognition at the annual Ski Day on January 26, 2024.	\$300	<input type="checkbox"/>

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## **Engineers Week Recap**

Thank you to everyone who came out to our E-week banquet! We would like to send a big congratulations out to the winner of this year's Engineer of the Year award, Jeffrey Tucker, PE, and Young Engineer of the Year award, Jordan Duffy, PE, both pictured below receiving their awards. Both award recipients are well deserving of this recognition. We would also like to congratulate the recipients of all the student of the year awards. In addition, Manon Belzile gave a great presentation about BETA's ALIA Design and Engineering Considerations. Check out pictures of all the award recipients here: <https://www.nspe-vt.org/eweek/photo-gallery>





## **ASCE 2024 Legislative Fly-in Recap**

Every year the ASCE Legislative Fly-In brings together 225+ ASCE members from across the country to share their everyday engineering experiences with Congress and advocate for current and future bills that directly impact the engineering community. This year the conference was held February 28th to March 1st and the Vermont Section of ASCE was represented by Tyler Barnard (New England Council Delegate) and Jessica Louisos, PE (Government Relations). Tyler and Jessica met with representatives of Vermont's Members of Congress to highlight and discuss some of the most pressing issues impacting Vermont's infrastructure including the recent historical flooding events and the resulting financial impacts. This was also a great professional development opportunity for attendees to hone their skills in public policy and advocacy networking. Check out the photos below of Tyler and Jessica in action at the Capital.



## Upcoming Events

### **Transportation Design Build Project in Syracuse, NY Lunch and Learn – March 27th at Noon**

Join us to discuss a large design build project in Syracuse NY. This is a small piece of an overall much larger project to move I-81 onto existing 481 to remove I-81 traffic out of the heart of downtown Syracuse. We will look at an overview of widening two 15 span bridges on existing 481 to support an additional lane of traffic on both the northbound and southbound bridges. We will dive into the retrofit of existing bridge elements and the complications involved along with scheduling and time constraints the come along with a design build project on this scale. Stay tuned for an invitation with registration information.



[Register here!](#)

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### **Other Upcoming Events**

We have begun planning several meetings and events for the upcoming spring months including both virtual Lunch and Learn opportunities and in-person site tours/presentations. Stay tuned for more information as these events continue to develop.

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### **Other Announcements**

There are no other announcements at this time.

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### **Job Postings**

Does your organization have job openings and internship opportunities? Consider UVM civil and environmental engineering students. Reach out to Mandar Dewoolkar ([mdewoolk@uvm.edu](mailto:mdewoolk@uvm.edu)) and Holly Foshier ([Holly.Foshier@uvm.edu](mailto:Holly.Foshier@uvm.edu)) today for more information.

[Email Mandar](#)

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If you're interested in posting a career opportunity here, please fill out [this form](#) or reach out our treasurer [Andrea Ameden](#). These newsletters go out to nearly 400 of our Vermont ASCE members made up of practicing civil engineers.

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### **10 Free PDH's for ASCE Members**

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