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## Letter from the Chair

This has been an exciting year for the Order of the Engineer and I am happy to share the accomplishments with you.

- The number of Active Links has increased to 305 Links and we inducted 18,000 individuals into the Order.
- We have a new logo and have updated our publications to reflect this new look.
- We revised both our Obligation Statement and our Certificate; and they are available for use in your Induction Ceremonies.
- We have increased our visibility with the universities by having had exhibits at both the 2016 ASEE Annual Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana and at the 2017 ASEE Engineering Deans Institute in Coral Gables, Florida.
- We had three of the members of our Board of Governors retire: Don Rathbone, Clark Beck and Mel Anderson. Each of these individuals is being recognized for his contributions to the Order of the Engineer.
- The Board of Governors has elected three new members to the Board: Tom Roberts, P.E., F.NSPE, F.ASEE, Michelle Rambo-Roddenberry, Ph.D, P.E., and Gregory Bucks, Ph.D.
- The 2017 Recipients of the Outstanding Link Coordinator Award are Jerry Bayless, Missouri University of Science and Technology (Link #13) and Charlina Daitouah, The College of New Jersey (Link #261).

Sincerely,

Paul N. Hale, Jr., Ph.D., P.E. Chair, Board of Governors

#### USA Today Magazine OE Full Page Ad

The Order has been contacted by USA Today about our placing an ad in one of their annual publications. This article is to give active links advanced notice that they will be receiving 30-50 copies of the USA Today Magazine for distribution. This was seen as a great opportunity for the Order, as the publication highlights the accomplishments of the Corps of Engineers over the past year, describes current and future projects, and has interviews with Corps leadership. The publication is distributed to all divisional/district Corps of Engineers offices, military bases, and the Pentagon. It is expected that this will help promote the importance of the Order relative to the ethical practice of engineering.

USA Today will ship out paper copies of the circulars directly to links for free so that links can provide them to participants at upcoming events as they see fit.

#### Order Leadership Attends ASEE Conference

Governors Steven Schreiner and David Hayhurst, and retired Governor Mel Anderson attended the ASEE Deans meeting held April 3 - 4. The Order hosted a booth with table top displays created for last year's event.



#### **New Governors Elected to the Order**

New Governors recently elected to the Order of the Engineers Board of Governors:

- Michelle Rambo-Roddenberry, Ph.D., P.E.,
  Associate Professor of FAMU-FSU College of Engineering
- Gregory Bucks, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Department of Engineering Education at the University of Cincinnati
- Tom Roberts, P.E. F.NSPE, F.ASEE, Associate Professor and Assistant Dean Emeritus, College of Engineering, Kansas State University, and Chairman-Elect of the National Society of Professional

#### **Governor Retirements**

The following Order of the Engineers' Governors retired effectively falling the Fall 2016 Board of Governors meeting:

- Mel Anderson, P.E., Ph.D. he served on the Board since 2001
- Donald Rathbone, P.E., Ph.D. he served on the Board since 1997
- Clark Beck, P.E. he served on the Board since 1995

#### 2017 Outstanding Link Coordinators

In March, 2017, the Order's Recognition Committee selected two individuals for our Outstanding Link Coordinator Award. These selections were made from a group of distinguished nominees each deserving of this prestigious recognition. This award was developed by the Order in 2013 to recognize the outstanding efforts of Link Coordinators throughout the Nation who have provided exemplary service to the Order in the development, organization, and administration of a Regional Link and their Ring Ceremonies. Every year, up to four individual awards are to be presented to eligible candidates representing each of the US Regions including the Northeast (Region I), Southeast (Region II), Midwest (Region III), and the West (Region VI).

We are proud to present the following individuals as the Outstanding Link Coordinator recipients in 2017:



Professor Jerry Bayless, P.E. Associate Professor of Civil, Architectural and Environmental Engineering, Missouri University of Science and Technology, Link #13 (Region III) Professor Bayless has served Link 13 from the early days of its establishment by Kent Roberts an early member of the Board of Governors. He has made sure that a ceremony is carried out every year and most years at least 2 ceremonies one in the Spring and one in the Fall. He

has been in most instances the first coordinator to submit link reports to the Governor that handles this link ever since the Board of Governors started the process of connecting with reports. Jerry is essential in coordinating the ordering of rings and ceremonial materials for the induction of member at the annual MSPE meeting. This year he will be helping with a ceremony at the Capitol, where the new licensed engineers will be recognized and inducted.



Ms. Charlina Daitouah, Program Assistant, The College of New Jersey, Link #261 (Region I) Ms. Charlina Daitouah has provided exemplary service to Link #261 at the College of New Jersey for four years as Link Coordinator and two years prior as an assistant to the Link Coordinator. Charlina performs her duties flawlessly and with great attention to detail. Her care and concern for the students is evident in how she meticulously plans the

ceremony. For example, due to scheduling constraints she has modified the logistics of the ceremony for at least three different venues on campus. In each new location, she demonstrated her clear understanding of the importance and nature of the ceremony by not only preserving, but amplifying key elements including the public signing of the certificate by the students. Her interaction with the students starts early each year as she determines eligibility, communicates logistics, and begins the sizing for the rings. Charlina mobilizes a small army of staff and student workers to transform the venue, ensuring a dignified and professional experience for everyone. An important feature of the ceremony is the inclusion of the parents and families. Charlina also puts significant effort in making special arrangements for family and guest requests.

# Roll out of New Logo & Distribution of New Materials



The new logo reflected in this newsletter is part of a much needed branding effort. New obligation certificated, pocket cards, inspirational cards, and ceremony programs have been produced with this new logo.

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