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GSPE News and Events

June 2007

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Dear GSPE Member,

It is time to wrap up a successful GSPE year with the annual Georgia Engineers Summer Conference and Annual Meeting. The Annual Meeting will also include an Order of the Engineer Ceremony. I encourage you participate in these important events.

It is also time to elect the new officers that will lead us in 2007-08, and to honor the GSPE Engineers of the Year.

And there is the NSPE 2007 Conference in July. If you have never before attended an NSPE national conference, why put it off another year?

In your service,

Jerry Kahn, P.E., F.NSPE - GSPE President

GSPE State Elections

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Nominating Committee
Ed Fiegle, P.E.
Chair

An Opportunity to Choose the GSPE Leadership for 2007-08

The slate of officers for 2007-08 is:

- President - Pat Rhodes, P.E.
- President-Elect - Scott Godefroy, P.E.
- Secretary - Gordon Terwillegar, P.E., F.NSPE
- Treasurer - Steve Skalko, P.E.
- Vice President Region I - Rick Galpin, P.E.
- Vice President Region II - Luther Cox, P.E.
- Vice President Region III - Jason Cooper, P.E.
- Vice President at Large - Tim Baumgartner, P.E.
- State Delegate - Gale Sights, P.E. F.NSPE
- Past President - Jerry Kahn, P.E., F.NSPE

The assumption of Pat Rhodes to President and Jerry Kahn to Past President is automatic under the GSPE Constitution. All terms are for one year, except for office of State Delegate to the NSPE House of Delegates, which is a two- year term.

Download the ballot , vote and return your ballot by (1) email to info@gspe.org, or (2) FAX to 404-521-0283 ,or (3) mail to the GSPE sate office.
The completed ballot must be received at the GSPE State Office by June 14, 2007.

Download the GSPE Ballot and Vote

GSPE Engineer of the Year Awards

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Awards Committee
Betty Jean Jordan, P.E.
Chair

An Opportunity to Recognize Deserving Engineers

The GSPE Engineers of the Year have been selected. Congratulations to:

- Engineer of the Year - Larry Genn, P.E.
- Engineer of the Year in Government - Rick Powers
- Engineer of the Year in Industry - Roger Grabman, P.E.
- Engineer of the Year in Private Practice - Luther Cox, P.E.

Recipients will be presented with their awards at the GSPE Annual Meeting on June 15 in Callaway Gardens.

Register for the Summer Meeting

GSPE Annual Meeting - Georgia Engineers Summer Conference

GSPE Annual Meeting & Summer Conference

Southern Pine Conference Center
Callaway Gardens
Pine Mountain, Georgia

June 14-17, 2007

An Opportunity to Convene, Learn and Enjoy

Make plans to attend the GSPE Annual Meeting at noon on Friday, June 15 in Callaway Gardens. The meeting will be held in conjunction with the 2007 Georgia Engineer's Summer Conference. The state officers for 2007-08 will be installed, and the Engineer of the Year Awards will be presented. Don't miss this once a year event.

Download the **Georgia Engineers Summer Conference 2007 brochure** and explore the abundant opportunities to earn PDHs at the continuing education seminars, workshops,training courses and tours. And the event will be an opportunity to relax and have fun, with a gala dinner, picnic, fun-run and golf tournament. Mark your calendar and register with the link below. There are still opportunities for sponsors and exhibitors to participate. Interested parties should download the **Sponsorship Letter and Registration Form** to select from the different sponsorship levels.

Register for the Conference and Download a Brochure

Order of the Engineer Ceremony

Order of the Engineer

GSPE Link
Luther Cox, P.E.

An Opportunity to Reaffirm Your Engineering Commitment

The Order of the Engineer ceremony is to publicly recognize the engineering principle of service to the public that is the common bond of all members of the profession. That professional commitment is symbolized in the acceptance of a stainless steel ring presented to each initiate upon accepting the oath of the Order of the Engineer. Originally established in 1925 in Canada, the Order was started after the collapse of a bridge in Quebec as it neared completion. The engineering community salvaged some of the cast iron from the bridge and fashioned rings to symbolize their commitment to accuracy and protecting the society they serve. In 1972, Georgia engineers brought the organization to the state.

As part of the GSPE Annual Meeting, the Order of the Engineer will hold an induction ceremony. You may sign-up to become a member at the registration desk at Callaway Gardens prior to the luncheon, or pre-register by downloading, completing and mailing the Order of the Engineer registration form to the GSPE state office. As Order of the Engineer Chairman, Luther Cox, P.E., says: "Volunteers are needed, but only those who are committed to the high standards of Professional Engineering need apply." The cost is $15, which covers the ceremony, the ring, and a lifetime contract with professional responsibility. No annual dues and no meetings; just a commitment to ethical practice. Join those who wear the ring to symbolize this commitment.

Download the Order of the Engineer Registration Form

NSPE Annual Conference

NSPE 2007 Annual Conference

Denver Marriott City Center Hotel
1701 California Street
Denver, Colorado

July 26-29, 2007

An Opportunity to Learn and Network with Fellow Engineers

Join fellow engineers from other state societies in Denver at the NSPE 2007 Annual Conference, July 26- 29, 2007. NSPE has arranged a stellar lineup of topnotch speakers and informative seminars, plus an array of special events to get you out and about this beautiful city. Participants can earn up to 19 PDHs at this year's conference education sessions. Conference education session topics cover team building, profitability, forensic engineering, sustainable design, risk management, stress management, and other current professional topics. In addition, you'll find countless opportunities to network with engineering leaders, make important business connections, and be brought up-to-date on issues impacting our profession and our Society.

Detailed information on the program, venue and registration is available on the NSPE Website.

Register for the NSPE 2007 Annual Conference

GSPE Members Honored

NSPE Fellows

Two GSPE members were nominated for and received the distinction of NSPE Fellow: Jerry D. Kahn, P.E., F.NSPE, the GSPE President and Gordon H. Terwillegar, P.E., F.NSPE, the GSPE Vice President of Region II and a past president of the Atlanta Metro chapter. The NSPE Board established the Fellow program to honor those active NSPE members who have demonstrated exemplary service to the profession, the Society, and the community.

NSBE Golden Torch Award

GSPE member Birdel F. Jackson III, P.E., M. ASCE received the 2007 Golden Torch Award for Entrepreneur of the Year from the National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE). The Golden Torch Awards honor those whose work demonstrates the highest commitment to the ideals set forth in NSBE's mission: to increase the numbers of culturally responsible black engineers who excel academically, succeed professionally and positively impact the community. Birdel is a member of the Atlanta Metro chapter, and also serves as President of the Georgia Minority Consulting Engineers Association (GMCEA).

Chapter Activities

Chapters Serve Members Locally

The Chapter is the local unit that carries out the purposes and programs of the State and National Society. If you are a member of the NSPE, you are a member of a local Chapter. It is at the Chapter meetings and Chapter sponsored events that networking, programs, and community evolvement occur.

Each Chapter has its own web page on the GSPE web site, where you can find out the who to contact in the Chapter Leadership for more information, Chapter meeting dates and locations, and opportunities for you to become involved.

Get Involved with Your Local Chapter

GSPE is the state society of engineering professionals from all disciplines that promotes the ethical and competent practice of engineering, advocates licensure, and enhances the image and well being of its members.

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