

**CENTRAL CHAPTER
NY STATE SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS**

NEWSLETTER

May 2005

President's Message - Mike Hayes, PE

Of many issues discussed at the NYSSPE Strategic Planning meeting in Rensselaerville, early in April, the overriding one was membership. NYSSPE membership has been declining for quite some time, although it appears to have stabilized. NYSSPE President-Elect Jack Naylor, P.E. has been very active in this area and encourages all of us to do likewise.

The percentage of P.E.s in the Central New York area that belong to NSPE is somewhat below the state average (about 12% vs. 16%). Encouraging people to become members may help a little. However, the critical factor, in my opinion, is that we have to offer services that members perceive to have value. To that end, our goal is to offer sufficient continuing education opportunities so that P.E.s can meet their education requirements by attending meetings and seminars sponsored by our Chapter. Since we haven't had much luck with dinner meetings, we are planning lunch meetings offering one PDH for each meeting, starting in either June or September. Our goal is to have six meetings a year that qualify for a PDH.

As I've mentioned before, we will have the 2005 Central New York Engineering Expo on Monday, November 14, 2005 at the Holiday Inn in Liverpool. We'll start putting information on our web site as it becomes available. Six PDHs will be offered again this year.

Finally, the Celebration of Technology Banquet will probably move from March to May in 2006. It is likely that we will offer a multi-track seminar similar to the Expo with 3 or 4 PDHs available. Assuming all of our plans come to fruition, 15 or 16 PDHs will be available each year from events sponsored by the Central NY Chapter of NYSSPE. We also post other continuing education opportunities that are available as soon as we learn about them. So, please check our web site, <http://www.cnype.org> frequently.

OFFICER ELECTIONS AND BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Ballots for a slate of officers for the coming year will be tallied and results announced Thursday May 19, 2005 at 12:15 p.m. at Microwave Filter Company, Inc, 6743 Kinne Street East Syracuse, New York. In addition, there are several Director and committee chair vacancies. WE NEED NEW PEOPLE! If you are interested, or know of someone who is, you are most cordially invited to attend. For any additional information call Secretary Carl Fahrenkrug, P.E. - 438 4722

ANY LICENSED PE, LS, INTERN OR GRADUATE ENGINEER WHO IS A MEMBER OF THE CENTRAL CHAPTER OF NYSSPE IS ELIGIBLE TO VOTE.

MAILED BALLOTS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE May 18. ADDITIONAL BALLOTS WILL BE RECEIVED AT THE May 19 BOARD MEETING COMMENCING AT NOON.

Please complete the following ballot and make sure either your name or membership number is shown on the return address. Mail to Carl Fahrenkrug, c/o Microwave Filter Company, Inc, 6743 Kinne Street East Syracuse, New York 13057 - ATTN: Nancy Young (carl-f@microwavefilter.com, 438 4722).

OFFICIAL NOMINEES ARE SHOWN: WRITE-INS ARE ENCOURAGED; MARK ONE FOR EACH POSITION.

OFFICE	TERM	CANDIDATE
President	1 YEAR	Nominee - Mike Hayes P.E. Write-in -
1st Vice President	1 YEAR	Nominee – Andy Watkins, P.E. Write-in -
2nd Vice President	1 YEAR	Nominee – Don Geiser P.E. Write-in -
Secretary	1 YEAR	Nominee - Carl Fahrenkrug P.E. Write-in -
Treasurer	1 YEAR	Nominee - John Knox P.E. Write-in

CALENDAR

Date/	Topic	Speaker	Location	Cost	Contact
6/27/05* 5:30 PM (Joint with CSI & AIA)	Last Hour Before Bid Opening	Panel Discus- sion	Craftsman Inn, Fa- yetteville	\$25.00 Includes dinner	RSVP to Frank Carleo (Robson and Woese) 315-445-2650 fcarleo@robsonwoese.com
11/14/05	CNY Engi- neering Expo 2005	Various	Holiday Inn, Liver- pool	TBD	Mike Hayes 315-455-2000 mhayes@cscos.com

*Please note the revised date, which is still tentative, for the joint meeting with CSI (in June, instead of March 2005). Meetings for April and May 2005 are TBD.

WEBSITE

Check us out at <http://www.cnype.org/>. The site is kept up to date and includes the latest on meetings, continuing education and other details of our many professional activities. **IT INCLUDES A COMPLETE AND UPDATED SECTION ON CPC.** As with everything else concerning your Society, your comments are most appreciated

THANK YOU

- We are still seeking donations for our Chapter's Scholarship Fund. Please consider furthering our efforts to support future engineers. The Chapter scholarship fund is supported by contributions from firms and individuals who take an active interest in the future of our profession. Current contributors include:
 - Associated Builders & Contractors
 - Blasland, Bouck and Lee
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 - Microwave Filter
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 - Syracuse Research Corporation.
 - Syracuse Thermal Products
 - Watkins Environmental Sciences, P.E., P.C.

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MATHCOUNTS

Central NY was well represented in the statewide competition by Durgee Junior High School, Eagle Hill Middle School, Holland Patent Middle School, New Hartford Perry Jr. High, Sauquoit Valley M.S. Wellwood Middle School and a home schooled student. Eagle Hill Middle School took honors in the CNY group with a strong ranking of seventh statewide. Jihoon Yang and Vikram Nayar were first and second within the CNY group with scores of 21 and 20 respectively. Our congratulations to all of the 34 students from the area.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

NSPE members are most cordially invited to attend all board meetings. Meetings are tentatively scheduled for noon on the first Thursday of each month, However the May meeting will be on Thursday May 19. Those wishing to attend should contact Mike Hayes: (315) 455-2000 ext. 384; m.hayes@ieee.org to confirm time and date.