

News from Delaware's Licensing Council for Professional Engineers

Winter 2003

<u>PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE</u> By J. Ross Harris, Jr., P.E.

In this, DAPE's 30th year, I have been elected to serve as the 19th President of this organization, following in the footsteps of some great leadership. Immediate Past President Gregory V. Moore, P.E. is to be applauded for his many achievements during the past two years: heightening awareness of ethical practices for licensees; appointing Ad-Hoc Committees to study Continuing Professional Competency (CPC), and, an Ad-Hoc Committee to evaluate the need for Delaware law to require professional engineers to carry liability insurance; initiating legislation to clarify DAPE's use of private legal counsel; hosting the 2001 NCEES Northeast Zone meeting, to name a few. Although some of these issues are still pending, the leadership that was needed to precipitate the issues was initiated by Gregg. I look forward to bringing unfinished business to fruition and tackling other issues.

Over the past year or so, Council has held more disciplinary hearings than in the previous ten years! This is indicative of our proactive law enforcement efforts. In addition to our outreach program for building, permitting and school officials, we have contracted with an investigative firm to assist in gathering evidence to provide the Attorney General's office with sufficient information for appropriate legal proceedings.

Bob Chagnon, P.E., Chair of the Ad-Hoc Committee/CPC is drafting a proposal for Council's consideration. And, the Ad-Hoc Committee/Professional Liability Insurance, chaired by public member Edward Lewandowski, has presented its findings to the Council.

Senate Bill 312, clarifying DAPE's use of private legal counsel to expedite resolution of legal matters, passed the Senate unanimously, but the bill was withdrawn before reaching the House, to provide an opportunity for DAPE and the Attorney General's office to develop a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in this matter. After several negotiations, it was determined an MOU was not feasible, and it was agreed by both parties, to resume this cause when a specific case presented itself.

Several additional Ad-Hoc Committees have been established to tackle issues in other areas: Ad-Hoc Committee/Expedited Comity – to explore mobility among neighboring states; Ad-Hoc Committee/Medical Gas Systems – to ascertain which aspects of these systems requires the expertise of a Professional Engineer; Ad-Hoc Committee/Higher Education – to create a harmonious relationship with the faculty of the University of Delaware to address professional engineering matters of interest or concern to U/D and DAPE. And, I certainly foresee establishing even more committees in the near future to deal with the myriad of tasks before Council.

I strongly encourage the membership to provide feedback on these and any other relevant issues that we can provide counsel on, or address in future issues of our newsletter. And, I look forward to an energetic, productive, and interesting year ahead.

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NEW OFFICERS ELECTED

At its September 17, 2002 meeting, Council elected new officers to serve during the 2002/2003 Council year:

President: J. Ross Harris, P.E. Vice Pres.: Pasquale S. Canzano, P.E. **Secretary:** Larry J. Tarabicos, Esq. Treasurer: Robert Cannon, P.E. Immed. Past Pres.: Gregory V. Moore,

P.E.

These new members of the Executive Committee of the Association, determine policy for consideration of Council. direct standing committees to function as required, meet to lay the groundwork for Council meetings and assume responsibility for the management of Association property.

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THREE NEW ADDITIONS ELECTED TO COUNCIL

David Athey, P.E., Karen Maxson, P.E., and Robert W. McClure, P.E. have joined the Council in the Civil, Industry and New Castle County seats, respectively.

David Athey, P.E., currently employed by URS Corporation, and licensed for the past 13 years, has been appointed Chair of the Facilities Committee, and we look forward to Dave's contributions over the next four years.

Karen Maxson, P.E., licensed since 1998, employed by DuPont, occupies the Industry seat. Karen's input will be welcomed.

Robert W. McClure, P.E., licensed in Delaware more than 25 years ago, returns to Council after serving previously during the periods 1991-1995 and 1995-1999, to represent the constituency of New Castle County, during his "retirement era."

In addition to its regular monthly meetings, Council members serve as Chairs of standing committees, participate in committee activities, represent the Delaware engineering profession at regional and national meetings.

The contributions of all Council members are essential and important to the memberships of DAPE.

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2003 COUNCIL SEAT VACANCIES

Council seat vacancies for the 2003 Council year are as follows:

Electrical Private Consulting **Kent County**

Interested candidates must be a citizen of the United States, a resident of Delaware, a member of the Association, and be qualified to represent the constituency from which the person is elected. (A candidate's discipline shall be that shown on the official roster at the time of nomination or petition, as well as at the time of election.)

Successful candidates will serve a four-year term, expiring on August 31, 2007.

Any member of the Association interested in seeking Council membership must submit a nominating petition to the Secretary of Council by May 1st to be eligible for placement on the ballot. Interested members should contact the DAPE office for a petition.

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2003 COMMITTEE CHAIRS <u>APPOINTED/MEMBERSHIP APPROVED</u>

President Harris has appointed Council members to Chair DAPE Committees, and Council approved committee membership as follows:

Examining:

Co-Chair Carmine Balascio, P.E. Co-Chair Robert Cannon, P.E.

Robert A. Chagnon, P.E. James S. Davidson, P.E. Klas C. Haglid, P.E. Willard L. Johns, P.E.

Daniel Koffler, P.E. Hugh Mahaffy, P.E. Robert W. McClure, P.E. John Penn, P.E. Adam E. Persans, P.E. Michael Siwek, P.E. Eugene B. Snell, P.E. William T. Sperry, P.E. Lorri Volk, P.E.

External Affairs:

Chair Larry J. Tarabicos, Esq.

Daniel K. Blake, P.E. Jeffrey M. Bross, P.E. J. Paul Jones, P.E. Stephan Lehm, P.E. Gregory V. Moore, P.E. Robert W. McClure, P.E. J.Ross Harris, P.E.

Facilities:

Chair David Athey, P.E.

Arkan Say, P.E. William T. Sperry, P.E.

Finance:

Chair Pasquale S. Canzano, P.E.

Robert Cannon, P.E. Eugene B. Snell, P.E.

Government Affairs/Bylaws:

Chair J. Paul Jones, P.E.

J.G.S. Billingsley, P.E. Sen. David McBride, P.E. Robert W. McClure, P.E. Arkan Say, P.E. Larry J. Tarabicos, Esq.

Law Enforcement:

Chair Walter L. Frank, P.E. Vice-Chair Pasquale Canzano, P.E.

Joseph G. Charma, P.E. David G. Clark, P.E. James S. Davidson, P.E. Alfred S. DeLuca, P.E. Glen A. DiEleuterio, P.E. Thomas J. Kiefer, P.E. Daniel Koffler, P.E. Robert W. Laird, P.E. Guy F. Marcozzi, P.E. Eugene B. Snell, P.E. William T. Sperry, P.E.

Public Information:

Chair Edward Lewandowski

Robert A. Chagnon, P.E.

Committees are a crucial part of the Association. The various tasks accomplished by this group of dedicated DAPE members is astonishing. Managing the finances, administering exams, enforcing the law, proposing new legislation, and publishing this newsletter are some of the efforts accomplished by committees. These efforts are applauded!

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<u>LAW ENFORCEMENT/ETHICS COMMITTEE</u> ACTIVITY

Compliance Cases:

Jonas, Inc. – Firm has been issued a Certificate of Authorization.

Base Group, Inc. -- Firm has placed engineering business license in "inactive" status.

Allen & Shariff Corp. – Firm has been issued a Certificate of Authorization.

Alarm Engineering, Inc. – Firm has been issued a Certificate of Authorization.

ILC Dover, Inc. -- Firm has been issued a Certificate of Authorization.

Micropore – Erroneous publication listing. Firm does not offer engineering services.

Adams-Kemp Associates -- Erroneous publication listing. Firm does not offer engineering services.

Council Hearing: State vs. Stella, Edward V.

Council agreed to a Consent Order in the matter of DAPE vs. Edward V. Stella, P.E. at its July 10, 2002 Council meeting.

The complaint alleged violations of the law in the practice of engineering, and ethical violations. Stella is required to successfully complete a course in structural engineering and a course in ethics within one year, prior to performing any structural engineering requiring the seal/signature of a Professional Engineer.

The Law Enforcement/Ethics Committee, with the assistance of its investigative firm, continues to investigate alleged violations of the law and Code of Ethics. Upon the conclusion of investigations, cases are assigned to the Attorney General's office for prosecution.

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COUNCIL MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

License **#5619** was issued twenty years ago to **Robert Cannon**, **P.E.**, who is the DAPE Council member elected to the "Electrical Engineering" seat over three years ago.

Principal in the firm of Carew Associates, Inc., Bob has served as Secretary of DAPE, and currently holds the position of Treasurer. He has chaired and co-chaired the Examining Committee for the last couple of years and continues to be an integral member of this group that reviews all applications for licensure, and administers the examinations twice yearly.

Bob and his wife, Lorraine, enjoy motorcycle touring throughout the United States and Canada. They have traveled over 80,000 miles, through 45 states and four provinces of Canada!

"The preservation of integrity and ethics of the engineering profession" Bob sees as one of the great challenges of the profession.

"Continuing to generate interest in the professional community for individuals to become active in DAPE committee activities and to serve on Council is a constant challenge of the Council," advises Bob.

In addition to his wife, Bob has three sons, Robert, Michael and Marc, and five grandchildren.

Our fondest appreciation is extended to Bob for his dedicated service to DAPE and the engineering profession!

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<u>OCTOBER, 2002</u> EXAM ADMINISTRATION

On Friday, October 25, 2002, 117 examinees took the Principles & Practice of Engineering examination in a variety of disciplines. This was followed by 234 examinees taking the Fundamentals of Engineering examination on October 26, 2002.

A successful exam administration can only be achieved with the proctoring assistance from our membership. Acknowledgement of the dedicated commitment to the engineering profession is made to the following DAPE members:

David Athey, P.E.
Desmond Baker, P.E.
Carmine Balascio, P.E.
Ron Carpenter
Robert Chagnon, P.E.
Vincent Cichocki, P.E.
Colm DeAscanis, P.E.
Herbert Duffield, P.E.
Belknap Freeman, P.E.
Harry How, P.E.
Carl Klein
Robert Leitsch, P.E.
Hugh Mahaffy, P.E.
Will Mather, P.E.

Thaddeus Moskal, P.E. George Nagase, P.E. Gregory Pawlowski, P.E. Michael Searfass, P.E. John Traynor, P.E. Steven Seip, P.E. Lonnie Webb, P.E. Lucie Wilkens, P.E. Stacy Ziegler, P.E.

A special thanks goes to the following members who did double duty by proctoring multiple shifts:

Robert Cannon, P.E. James S. Davidson, P.E. Michael Siwek, P.E. Alex Heist

If you would like to join our proctoring team, please contact the DAPE office and we will work out an assignment with you.

THANK YOU!

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LICENSE RENEWALS

In accordance with §2806 (e) (1) of the Delaware Professional Engineers' Act, the 2002 renewal process concluded September 30, 2002. A summary of renewals indicates:

Individual licenses:

5,379 licenses renewed*

301 licenses reclassified as "Inactive"

386 licenses are now delinquent

*3,511 (or 65%) licensees participated in the voluntary professional development survey

<u>Corporate Licenses:</u> (Certificates of Authorization)

627 firms renewed

54 firms' licenses are now delinquent

Individual licenses are valid through **June 30**, **2004**.

Certificates of Authorization are valid through **June 30, 2003**.

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ROSTER REQUEST

As the 2002 renewal process has concluded, we are now ready to print a roster of all members of DAPE. This roster is available to the membership by request only.

If you would like a copy, please complete the following form and send it to us by **January 31**, **2003**:

Name:	 	
Address:	 	
License #:		

THANK YOU FOR YOUR RESPONSE BY JANUARY 31, 2003!

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WHEN IS AN ENGINEER NOT AN ENGINEER? By Robert A. Chagnon, P.E.

Who can legally be assigned the title "engineer" in Delaware and who can't? That question pops up now and again and has been the subject of confusion by many over the years. If the individuals involved are licensed PE's in this state, or any other state, then the question is mute. Most everyone recognizes that those individuals are engineers and can be so identified as such, publicly and otherwise. That doesn't mean, however, that individuals licensed as PE's in

states other than Delaware can offer their services to the general public in this state. It only means that they can work for someone and be assigned the title of "engineer." The confusion really begins to surface when the non-licensed individuals involved hold a baccalaureate degree in engineering from an ABET accredited institution, or we're dealing with individuals employed in private industry (which fall under our industrial exemption provisions) with or without baccalaureate degrees in engineering. Can they be assigned the title of "engineer" and be publicly recognized as such?

If we go by the intent of our Delaware licensure laws, the answer is an absolute NO. Individuals who fall under the industrial exemption can be called an engineer of some sort or another within the confines of their company, but not outside of it. The latter includes the passing out of business cards to other than business-related associates that identify themselves as engineers, or being referred to as engineers in newspaper articles or other forms of information intended for the general public.

What further exacerbates the confusion over this issue is that the matter is easier explained than enforced. So much so that several states have opted not to legally enforce the title of "engineer." The latest of such being the state of Nevada who did so after losing a related court challenge against Microsoft and their "software engineer" certification program. These states still protect the designation of "professional engineer," but not the public use of the title "engineer" with other than "professional" or "consulting" prefixes.

Delaware lost a somewhat related challenge back in 1995 against Engineered Systems & Design, Inc. (ES&D). The firm was not in the engineering service business, but DAPE felt that its name misled the general public into believing that they were engineers, in the professional engineering sense, and sought to prohibit them from using the term "engineered" in its trade name. ES&D, on the other hand, considered having to do so violated its federal constitutional rights to commercial free speech. It not only refused to comply with DAPE's request to discontinue use of

the word "engineered" but also refused to include a disclaimer in its business documents stating that it does not offer engineering services as an alternative to the latter. The court held, however, that ES&D's use of the term "engineered" was not actually or inherently misleading, but only potentially misleading" as those terms are used in the commercial speech jurisprudence of the United States Supreme Court. Subsequently, the court ruled that Delaware cannot plan an absolute prohibition on potentially misleading information. (The Supreme Court did rule that Delaware's law prohibiting the use of the term "engineer" or its derivatives unless licensed, is constitutional.)

To counter this dilemma in future challenges, DAPE later had an independent local and national survey conducted to determine whether or not the general public is being misled by associating the title "engineer" with one that has an advanced related education, has met a minimum amount of prescribed experience and has successfully passed a minimum competency examination. The results of the surveys were considered by many, including our Attorney General's office, to be inconclusive at best, if not leaning to their not being misled.

Not all states are such wimps. Back in July of this year, the Attorney General of Texas issued a related opinion which was summarized as follows: "The Texas Engineering Act, article 3271a of the Revised Civil Statutes, does not allow an in-house employee of a private corporation, though classified as an "engineer" or under another engineering title, to use the title of "engineer" on business cards, cover letters, or other forms of correspondence that are made available to the public."

Should Delaware continue to defend the use of the title "engineer" in light of the apparent fact that our being capable of successfully defending such in a court of law is anything but good? The disregard for the implied interpretation of the title "engineer" is not only private industry related. Many of Delaware's state agencies that advertise for engineering related positions, do so by assigning engineering titles to the positions in an effort to attract individuals that are more

interested in the title than they are the lower salaries that go with the positions. consulting engineering firms are also hard pressed to abide by the related intent of our law. How do you tell an individual with a degree in engineering that they cannot be assigned a title of "engineer" because they are not a licensed PE? We also have to deal with the fact that the use of the term "engineer" started way back before any laws were passed governing such. "Stationary engineer and operating engineer" were two such titles that were grandfathered in even when such laws did surface back in the 30's. Examination Committee continuously deals with engineering prefixes such as: project, design, plastic, quality control, software, computer, power, lubrication, biomedical, systems, sales, construction, building, maintenance, plant, air conditioning, ship design, materials, welding, and etc., only to name a few. And the odd engineering prefixes are multiplying with no end in sight.

Once again. Should Delaware continue to protect the title "engineer?" What say ye?

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SCHOOLS FOR SCANDAL By Peggy Abshagen Executive Director

Is it Columbia State University or Columbia University or Columbus University?

Columbia University, located in New York, is a prestigious institution offering a variety of excellent programs, including numerous programs in the engineering field.

Columbus University and Columbia State University, on the other hand, are "diploma mills" – in the business of selling diplomas. With the onslaught of activity on the Internet, an individual or "institution" can reach millions of potential "students" with very little cost. Records indicate that the "owner" of Columbia State University (currently a fugitive) made almost \$15 million over a 16-month period.

Such fraudulent "distance learning programs" are promoted aggressively in magazines and newspapers worldwide. Potential "students" looking to add a BS, MS, or even a PhD to their credentials, are able to obtain these credentials with little investment of time and money.

What attracts prospective "students"?

- ❖ A diploma without the interviews, classes, droning professors and annoying exams;
- No one is ever turned down:
- Receive your diploma in days;
- * \$425 will get you a bachelor's degree;
- For \$75 additional, you'll earn summa cum laude;
- Get both a bachelor's degree and a master's degree for \$1,200!

Distance learning programs have been around since the 1980's, some even earlier. However, not all distance learning programs are created equal, or even close for that matter. Legitimate distance learning programs do exist. We need to be aware, however, of those looked upon as "diploma mills."

DAPE relies on the expertise of a professional education evaluating service to authenticate educational documents from abroad. Approximately 43% of documents reviewed by the evaluating service meet the accepted criteria; 50% do not meet the criteria; 6% are unable to be authenticated; and 1% are withdrawn for whatever reason. This evaluating service is very adept at detecting fraudulent documents from Board alerts offices diploma mills and immediately.

How can we protect ourselves against such deception?

Watch for any of the following:

- The name of the school is similar to a well-known, reputable university;
- The address for the school is a post office box or contains a suite number:
- ❖ A heavy emphasis is placed in offering college credits for lifetime or real world experience;

- School tells you that you can receive a degree and a transcript without doing any work;
- Tuition is paid on a per-degree basis;
- You can buy your GPA, as well as academic honors (magna cum laude?);
- The price of tuition is negotiable, with discounts offered for enrolling in multiple degree programs;
- You are requested for full payment up front;
- Vague language is used to describe the school's faculty. Names and credentials never seem to be available.
- Classes offer little or no interaction with professors;
- When you mention accreditation, you are advised accreditation is unimportant;

Again, there are some very good distance learning programs. However, you need to do a little more homework to identify quality programs that meet your needs!

(Research information on this topic was obtained from several sources on the Internet, as well as Engineering Credentials Evaluation International.)

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PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE

DAPE Past President Gregory V. Moore, P.E., charged an Ad-Hoc Committee to investigate and report on whether the DAPE Council should consider implementing its registration law to further protect the welfare and property of the general public by requiring that the engineering services provided are backed by protection of professional liability insurance.

In our previous issue of the newsletter we presented opposing views on mandatory professional liability insurance. We would now like to solicit comments from our membership. Please contact our office in writing, electronically, etc. to express your views on this issue. Your voice counts!

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<u>NEW KENT COUNTY (DELAWARE)</u> REQUIREMENTS AND REVIEW PROCESS

Effective January 15, 2003, Kent County Division of Inspections & Enforcement will be revising its plan requirements and review process. The department will require that a **Code Summary** be provided as a part of the plans that are submitted for any commercial projects. This summary should include all the requirements that pertain to the building's design, i.e., construction type, use group, required egress widths, etc. The Permits Coordinator will be using a **BOCA/IBC Plans Review checklist** to assist in assuring that all code requirements are met!

PLEASE TAKE NOTE!

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EXAMINATION CORNER

Fundamentals of Engineering Exam:

The October 26, 2002 Fundamentals of Engineering examination has added 140 Engineer Interns to the ranks.

Our congratulations are extended to:

Ali, Kasim K. Aloi, Nicole Amalfitano, Alissa Arters, James Bailey, Daniel Banks, Kristen Battipaglia, Karen Blazowski, Jr., Stanley Brown, Vanessa Bruns, Susan M. Bryant, III, Kenneth D. Buckley, Matthew Bukenya, Julian Capparuccini, David M. Castro, Carlos Cedro, Stephanie Clulow, Brian Colakoglu, Ahmet Collins, Michael Conner, Candace

Conway, Alison Cosden, Ian Cross, Neal Dales, Harry J. Dean, Peter K. DePalma, John

DiMarco, Paul Dombrowski, Richard Doughty, James R.

Doyer, Leo

Drobotij, Erin Quinn

Dubey, Jyotika Eitelman, Douglas Erby, David N. Feser, Joseph Fitch, Nicholas Fonda, Janene

Frayne, Benjamin J.

Gallo, Keith D. Gass, Jarron J. Gee, Christopher Gencarelli, Mike Gianos, Stephanie Gleeson, Daniel J. Grabowski, Casey

Grossman, Nicholas L. Guttridge, Christopher

Haag, Bryan

Hammond, Gregory D.

Hams, Anna

Hartley, Raymond M. Hazel, Harrington M. Henriques, Everton

Henzel, Justin Herbein, Kyle R. Herje, Mary E. Hill, Erin Michelle Hill, Karen C.

Jaworski, Jason

Jenkins, Jr., Timothy L.

Jiang, Ping

Kaighin III, Kenneth M.

Karimi, Salman Kelly, Michael Kevgas, George J. Kirn, Lucas

Kirn, Lucas Kiss, Lawrence

Kohli, Narinder Singh

Kuehne, Karin Lane, Timothy LaRocque, Christopher

Lee, Edward W. Lindell, Kevin R.

Long, Eric Lubitz, David Lukachik, Allison Lyon, Mary L. Lyons, Andrew Mace, Duane Machemer, Lee Maldonado, Roberto

Marschhauser, Christopher

Martell, Jeffrey A.
Martin, Peter J.
McIntosh, Sean
McLeod, Eric
Meagher, Janelle
Mehta, Smita D.
Miller, Ian
Mirza, Majid R.

Morse, Derrick Motyka, Mark Nenna, Michelle

Nichols, Daniel Nykorczuk, Nick Peacock, Kristina Perdick, Garrett

Perricone, Jonathan Probert, Alastair Quick, Stephen

Richers, Michael J. Riggs, Andrew Rogers, Justin Rourke, Erik J. Rowland, Jonathan

Rowland, Jonathan Ryan, Jr., Ralph J. Saloman, Adrien Savarese, Michael Scholz, Donald P. Schroeder, Kurt Sells, Patrick

Shah, Ankit G. Smith, Kerrie Smith, Tory G. Sonstrom, Karen Sopin, Alex

Stevens, Craig Storey, James Strogen, Bret Sturniolo, Frank

Szwarc, Dariusz Tang, Benjamin Taylor, Jeffery D. Tilson, John Turgut, Altan Turner, Brian G.
Unger, John K.
Vanderslice, David
Vasilevitskiy, Grigoriy
Ventresca, Amy L.
Waibel, Brian J.
Warren, Calissa
Weiser, Adam S.
Wood, Karin
Woods, James
Yakubic, John
Yohe, Jacob R.
Zaino, Michael A.
Zajac, Michael D.
Zemskov, Aleksey A.

Again, our congratulations to these 140 Engineer Interns who are now on the path towards licensure!

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<u>52 NEW PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS IN</u> <u>DELAWARE!</u>

At its January 8, 2003 meeting, the DAPE Council approved licensure for the following 52 successful candidates of the October 25, 2002 Principles & Practice of Engineering examination:

Aaby, Mark	#12377
Ahmed, Atef	#11157
Akinjide, Olusegun	#9378
Alas, Linovic	#9910
Ambroise, Garry	#10671
Anderson, Erik	#12754
Baker, Gregory	#12249
Beckett, Barry	#9813
Brown, Michael	#12558
Caucci, Eugene	#12572
Cham, Isabel	#12544
Chambers, William R.	#12244
Chomat, Catherine	#12627
Cocking, Orville	#12414

Costello, Timothy	#12422
Derr, Michael	#12431
Dommaraju, Udaya K.	#12239
Galloway, John R.	#11593
Garner, Sr., Rickey C.	#12753
Girandola, Phillip	#13091
Gordon, Walter	#12599
Hroblak, Allyson	#12043
Huss, Jr., Edward J.	#12608
Jagasics, Andrew	#12390
Josler, William	#12234
Lennon, Bryan	#12594
Lesley, Matthew P.	#12764
Linus, Thomas	#12243
Machemer, Lee	#12596
Maher, Thomas	#11176
Minichiello, Vincent J.	#12680
Minker, Richard	#12435
Newton, Nigel	#12410
Peirson, Christopher	#12573
Perdue, Kevin	#12586
Poirier, Joseph	#12556
Pokorny, Michael J.	#12757
Polaski, Jennifer	#12712
Ronan, Timothy	#13087
Sanchez, Prado, Aitor I.	#12746
Sedwick, Stanley	#11869
Setzer, Thomas C.	#12665
Shapley, David	#11468
Shirley, Frank	#12735
Standish, Benjamin	#12550
Steinebach, Pamela	#12562
Sutula, Jason A.	#12773
Underwood, Christopher	#12759
Watson, Sabine	#12442
Wilder, Darrell S.	#12747
Yin, Gang	#11664
Zern, Jason P.	#12761

CONGRATULATIONS!

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2003 ENGINEERS' WEEK BANQUET

The Delaware Council of Engineering Societies is hosting the 2003 Engineers' Week Banquet on Thursday, February 20, 2003, at the DuPont Country Club. Social hour begins at 5:30 p.m.,

followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m., and the awards program at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$40/person, and are available at the DAPE office.

Please arrange to attend this annual event to support the engineering community and share in the excitement of awarding the 2003 Engineer of the Year and the 2003 Young Engineer of the Year!

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AND, THE 2003 ENGINEER OF THE YEAR IS.

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DAPE is extremely proud to announce that the 2003 Engineer of the Year has been selected, and the award will go to Robert A. Chagnon, P.E., a current member of the DAPE Board, a Past-President of this Board, and a member of numerous DAPE Committees, as well as an active participant in NCEES activities.

Licensed since 1974, Bob's professional accomplishments are numerous as a private consultant, teacher, mentor, evaluator, trainer, and the list continues.

His community involvement is just as impressive.

Bob's term on the DAPE Council will end on August 31, 2003, after eight years of dedicated service. Never backing down from a challenge; never hesitating to elicit feedback from our membership on controversial issues, this newsletter has published many articles authored by Bob, which have resulted in our membership expressing their viewpoints.

We salute Bob for his endless list of accomplishments, both professionally and personally, and feel honored to have had the privilege of his service on this Board.

Congratulations, Bob!

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THE 2003 YOUNG ENGINEER OF THE YEAR

Mark Parker, P.E. has been selected by the Delaware Council of Engineering Societies as its 2003 Young Engineer of the Year.

Licensed since 2000, Parker is an associate of Landmark Engineering, Inc. of New Castle, Delaware.

Mark is active in the engineering community, both locally and nationally, serving on the Board of Directors of the Delaware Engineering Society as Senior Vice President, and in the near future, as President-elect; and serves on the Licensure for Qualifications for Practices Committee, as the young engineer representative of the National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE).

Congratulations, Mark!

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