

Middle School “Mathletes” Compete

The State MathCOUNTS competition was held on March 27, 2007 (after being postponed due to a snow day). 73 middle school students from 12 different schools attended. This was a great turnout and we hope that even more students from more schools participate in the coming years.

The day-long competition consisted of individual and team rounds, with students answering math questions. The top scoring students then compete in a head-to-head round of solving problems to see who will come out as the overall State winners.

This year, the winning team was from HB Dupont Middle School.

The top individual scorers were as follows:

- 1st place – Aaron Gertler – Springer Middle School
- 2nd place – William Facciolo – St. Edmonds Academy
- 3rd place – Thomas Carlson – HB Dupont Middle
- 4th place – Charles Zhang – Shue-Medill Middle

These 4 “mathletes” will be traveling to the National MathCOUNTS competition held May 10 - 13, 2007 in Fort Worth, Texas.

Many thanks go out to John Traynor and Linda Whiteford of Tetra Tech, who coordinated the program, and to the 20 professional and U of D student volunteers who helped to make the events run smoothly.

If you are interested in participating as a volunteer in next year’s program, or if you know of a middle school that would like to get involved, please contact Stacy Ziegler at sziegler@duffnet.com or Meghan Lester at mlester@mragta.com.

Upcoming Events

DES is planning several activities in the coming months! Following is a list of upcoming events... watch the website and future newsletters for more details!

- June 20, 2007 – DES Annual Meeting and Recognition of
“Government Engineer of the Year”
- July 2007 – DES / ACEC Golf Tournament
- September 2007 – Professional Development Series Seminar



“100 Years of Licensure”

NSPE Partners with NCEES to Promote 100 Years of Licensure

As part of its “100 Years of Licensure” celebration activities, the National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE) has partnered with the National Council of Engineering Examiners and Surveyors (NCEES) to continue the promotion of licensure and its importance to the engineering profession and the public health, safety, and welfare.

“This partnership brings together the two associations vitally concerned with professional licensure issues,” said NSPE Acting Executive Director Arthur Schwartz. “Working with NCEES will strengthen NSPE’s core goal of raising awareness of the professional engineering license and its impact on society not only in the past 100 years, but also well into the future.”

A key component of the partnership will be a joint issue of *PE* magazine in June 2007, dedicated to all issues surrounding licensure. Some of the topics to be covered include:

- Facts and figures about licensure;
- Feature story on the history of engineering licensure;
- “What the PE Means to Me” – a feature of short articles from prominent PEs who tell the licensure story from their own experiences;
- A look at the next 100 years of licensure; and
- A special edition of the “PEople” section, focusing on interesting PEs throughout history.

In addition to the partnership with NCEES, NSPE is planning to celebrate the “100 Years of Licensure” with prominent features regarding licensure on its website, a special event at the annual convention in Denver, Colorado, and other various special events and contests throughout the year.

NSPE 2007 Conference

The NSPE 2007 Annual Conference will be held in Denver, Colorado on July 26-29, 2007. The event includes a stellar lineup of topnotch speakers and informative seminars, plus an array of special events to get you out and about this beautiful city.

Conference education session topics cover teambuilding, profitability, forensic engineering, sustainable design, risk management, stress management, and other current professional topics. In addition, you will find opportunities to network with engineering leaders, make important business connections and be brought up-to-date on issues impacting our profession and the NSPE.

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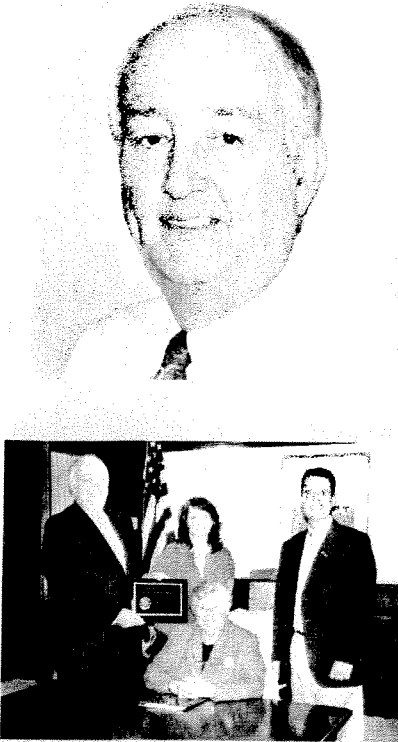
Engineer of the Year Nominations

In February 2007, the Delaware Engineering Society had the pleasure of honoring Thomas Pruzsak, P.E. of Landmark Engineering as the *2007 Engineer of the Year*. In June 2007, we will be honoring the *2007 Government Engineer of the Year*.

Each year, the Delaware Engineering Society recognizes individuals for their contributions to the engineering community and the community at large. These awards include the Engineer of the Year, the Young Engineer of the Year, and the Government Engineer of the Year.

Nomination forms and eligibility requirements for these awards are available on the DES website (www.desonline.us). If you know of someone who you feel has made a significant contribution to the engineering community in Delaware, please nominate them for consideration for one of these awards.

For more information, contact Mark Parker at mark.parker@landmarkengineering.com.



Interesting Reading ...

Learn how to turn the love of sports into a lucrative engineering career, by reading "*High Tech Hot Shots: Careers in Sports*."

Primarily written for middle school, high school and pre-engineering college students, this book compiles resources, information, and stories of engineers who work passionately in the sports industry to design new and improved products for athletes and spectators, alike. Ranging from the design and construction of stadiums and courses to the design and manufacture of sporting equipment and clothes, the book reveals what you need to know to work in this industry, and find a satisfying and rewarding job as a sports engineer.

NSPE Student Chapter at the University of Delaware

Congratulations to the University of Delaware NSPE Student Chapter on their active year. Students participated in the following activities this year:

- Tours of industrial plants or construction sites;
- Events during national engineer's week, including mock interviews, job shadowing and the order of the engineer ring ceremony;
- Volunteered at engineer's week banquet;
- Several charity and social events; and
- Volunteered with MathCOUNTS program.

For more information on the NSPE student chapter, watch the website at www.desonline.us, or contact the NSPE Student Chapter President, Joseph Challburg at shmoejoe@udel.edu.



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