

CSSE Newsletter

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President's Message

Like for all organizations, CSSE activities and the calendar march together through the year. This month we began our process on charitable gifts to the wonderful organizations that work hard to show that science (and engineering) can be fun to young people. Youth Sciences Canada is the first to be done this year, as reported below. More information regarding YSC and the other organizations CSSE supports can be found by following the links under "youth" on the CSSE web pages at <http://www.seniorengineers.ca/>.



Andy Jones

Thinking about YSC, each year they provide CSSE with the opportunity to present the awards that our grants sponsor at their Canada-wide fair, to be held in Lethbridge this year. They are also always looking for assistance in judging. If you are interested in either of these activities drop a note to the editor and Arnold will provide you with the details.

Upcoming events are the spring board meeting, the AGM and the awards banquet, that will be held in Quebec City this year. Your Eastern Vice President Frank Corbett and his committee are finalizing details for this, more information below. I have attended several of these events and as I get to meet CSSE members I continually am impressed on how much they have contributed to Canada's engineering activities over their working careers.

This past month I was in Victoria and able to attend the VIB luncheon to meet some of you and listen to an interesting talk. Colin Smith and his group put on an excellent event and for any members in the Victoria area or visiting there. I recommend that you try to attend a luncheon.

In discussions with our administrator I am happy to note that most of you have paid your 2013 dues and many have also included a charitable donation. To you, thank you. To the rest of you, please stop procrastinating and either mail your cheque or use the simple Pay Pal format on the web site.

Members in the News

Michael Ball of Ottawa also has received the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

Colin Smith represented the professional engineering associations of British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Yukon and Northwest Territories as their delegate to the Pacific North West Economic Region (PNWER) in a series of capital visits to Helena, MT; Boise, ID; Olympia, WA and Juneau, AK.



Coming to Lethbridge: The Canada-Wide Science Fair!

One of the CSSE's ongoing charities is Youth Science Canada (YSC), best known for its showcase event, the annual Canada-Wide Science Fair (CWSF), which hosts the top 500 young scientists from across the country.

In 2012 the CWSF was held in Charlottetown, PEI. The CSSE was represented by **Frank Corbett** of Pointe Claire, Que., for the customary presentations of the two "CSSE Engineering Innovation Awards".

This year the CWSF will be held in Lethbridge, Alta.

Who of you in the Calgary area is/are prepared to volunteer to attend on May 14 (to help judge) and/or on May 16 (to present the two awards)?

For 50 years, YSC has been Canada's leading organization for the promotion of innovation and celebration of excellence in science, engineering and technology among our nation's youth.

YSC provides or partners in programs to increase awareness and involvement of youth in science, engineering and technology, to engage, mentor and recognize Canada's young scientists, to set standards for scientific experimentation by young people, to promote the creation and support of science and technology fairs, and to engage scientists, engineers, educators, parents and leading public and private sector organizations in the development of a national science, engineering and technology network of Canadian youth. Find out more at <http://www.youthscience.ca/>.

In the Branches ...

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR (Contact: **John Evans**, 13jgevens@gmail.com)

On January 30, **John Evans** and **Madan Rana** assembled a group of senior engineers (Thanks to PEG-NL for the space.) and discussed (over coffee and donuts) what the CSSE could do to enhance the well being of local members. There was general interest in contributing to the preparation of advocacy papers of the CSSE. Follow-on activity is planned.

MARITIMES (Contact: **Rod Desborough**, rdesborough@ns.sympatico.ca)

QUEBEC (Contact: **Frank Corbett**, corbf@videotron.ca)

Montreal (Contact: **Tom Madanda**, TMadanda@bell.net)

The **2013 Board Meeting, AGM and Awards Banquet** will take place in The Clarendon Hotel on **Saturday, May 25, 2013** in Quebec City. High-interest programme in the works. Reserve your room. Rates reduced. Quote CSSE, #353743, at reservations@hotelclarendon.com, or by calling toll free 1-888-554 6001.

Those members who are unable to attend the AGM, but wish to be represented, may do so by submitting a Proxy to the Corporate Secretary for inclusion in the list of delegates participating. A copy of the proxy form can be obtained by contacting the Secretary at pmmcrichtie@shaw.ca. Completed proxy forms can be returned to the same email address where they will be retained for the record. Our President, Andy Jones, has kindly offered to act on your behalf, so his name can be included on the form to that end.

ONTARIO (Contact: **Jon Jennekens**, jonorah@rogers.com)

The Greater Ottawa Area (Contact: **Gerrie Kautz**, gwkautz@rogers.com)

February 19 **Drew Wilson** spoke regarding "Entrepreneurs Behind the Engineers".

March 19 **Ruth Brinston** speaks regarding "Food Irradiation in Canada".

April 16 **Jon Jennekens**, "50 Years of Nuclear-Electric Power in Canada".

May 21 **Drew Wilson**, The Knights of Engineering.

The Greater Toronto Area (Contact: **Jerry Cuttler**, jerrycuttler@rogers.com)

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MANITOBA (Contact: Fred Stock, festus3@shaw.ca)

Winnipeg (Contact: Ron Britton, britton@cc.umanitoba.ca)

SASKATCHEWAN (Contact: Pieter Van Vliet, p.vanvliet@sasktel.net)

ALBERTA (Contact: Andy Jones, andyjones@explornet.com)

Calgary (Contact: Tony Howard, tonyhoward@shaw.ca)

The Calgary Branch meets 9 times a year at the Danish Canadian Club on the second Monday of each month with the exception January, July and August. Meetings start at 11:30 a.m. and end at 1:00 p.m.

Edmonton (Contact: Nick Malychuk, nmaly@telus.net)

Edmonton branch meetings are held at the Best Western Cedar Park Inn, 5116 Gateway Boulevard at 5:30 p.m. with a buffet dinner at 6:00 followed by a speaker, when speakers are available, usually on the third Thursday of the month.

February 21 David Law, Schlumberger, Technical Director, Heavy Oil, North America spoke on "Development of Alberta Oil Sands - A Reservoir Engineer's Perspective".

March 21 Susan Ancel, Director Water Distribution and Transmission, EPCOR Water Services, speaks re: "25 Plus Years of Water Main Renewal and GIS Development in Edmonton".

April 25 Jacob Masliyah, Distinguished University Professor Emeritus (Chemical Engineering). "The Responsible Development of The Oil Sands".

BRITISH COLUMBIA (Contact: Ken Putt, kwputt@shaw.ca)

Vancouver (Contact: Gordon Lindsay, cgordon_lindsay@telus.net)

The branch normally meets on the first Thursday each month at the Sutton Place Hotel, Burrard Street, Vancouver.

February 6 The presenter was CORIX: "Smart Meters".

March 7 Hadi Dowlatabadi, Canada Research Chairman, UBC: "Energy in Remote Communities".

April 4 Engineers Without Borders: "Engineers Without Borders".

May 2 CSSE Member Al Imrie: "Ituango Hydro, Columbia".

Vancouver Island (Contact: Gerry Buydens gbuydens@shaw.ca)

The branch gathers for lunch at 11:30 a.m. on the first Friday at The Oak Bay Recreation Centre, Victoria.

February 1 Paul Manson, CEO Sea Breeze Power Corp. spoke re: "Cape Scott Wind Farm and Undersea Cable Projects".

March 1 Afzal Suleman, "UVIC Aerospace Research Program".

April 5 Capt. (N) Donald Smith, "New Developments in Pacific Fleet Maintenance".

The CSSE is LinkedIn. Are You?

John Plant has announced the formation of the EIC-ICI LinkedIn group at <http://www.linkedin.com/groups/EIC-Engineering-Institute-Canada-ICI-4818149/about>, on a trial basis, to increase public awareness of the EIC and member societies, Engineering Careers.ca, The Climate Change Technology Conference, etc.

Ken Putt reports that the CSSE is the first EIC member society to be linked at the new EIC-ICI LinkedIn group. Ken advises current CSSE LinkedIn members to re-join the CSSE subgroup at the link noted herein, as we will be shutting down our original CSSE LinkedIn site. To join, go to <http://www.linkedin.com/groups/Canadian-Society-Senior-Engineers-4844216/about>. Members are urged to join, and have an even greater voice.



Welcome New Members

- Eric Chappell (Victoria, B.C.)
- Denzil Doyle (Ottawa, Ont.)

Call to Action

Director **Colin Smith**, who chairs the CSSE Advocacy Committee, is looking to members to identify issues that significantly affect the well being of Canadians, issues on which the CSSE could well advocate public policy apolitically, issues on which members are willing to spend time preparing a CSSE advocacy paper. This is an opportunity to "sell" your ideas to your fellow Canadians, with the weight of the CSSE backing you up! Colin can be reached through the CSSE Administration Office.

Archive Your Papers!

The library of the University of Ontario Institute of Technology ("UOIT") is now processing the professional papers of a CSSE member and has agreed to do the same for any other member of an EIC Society. Those wishing to take advantage should contact the Archivist (**Brenda.Jackson@uoit.ca**) directly.

Don't Forget Your Acquaintances!

If you have a senior professional colleague, friend, relative or other acquaintance who is not a Member or Associate Member, who supports what the CSSE does, who should be a CSSE Member or Associate Member*, you can direct him/her to our website (**www.seniorengineers.ca**) and/or pass him/her one of the new CSSE "business cards" that Director Gerrie Kautz has designed, available at the CSSE Administration Office. If he/she is not an emailer, an application form can be mailed to him/her from the CSSE Administration Office. (* Please check with the Administration Office first, in the case of a prospective Associate Member.)

The CSSE Administration Office

All "snail-mail" correspondence, including cheques, should be sent to:

The Canadian Society for Senior Engineers
1717 Lakeshore Drive
Ottawa, Ontario K4P 1H1

Emails to **info@seniorengineers.ca**. Faxes to 613-821-0179. Phone calls: 613-821-5273.

Dues and donations also can now be paid securely by credit card by going to the "Members" page at the CSSE website **www.seniorengineers.ca**.

Changed Your Coordinates?

If you have a new mailing (or emailing) address, please inform the CSSE Administration Office.

Editorial Corner

Letters to the Editor

Email your letters (100 words or less, please) to **arnoldeyre@hotmail.com** or mail or fax them to the CSSE Administration Office.

