



CSSE Newsletter

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The President's Remarks

As I write this issue's President's remarks, I am sitting in a hotel room in Estevan, Saskatchewan. I am currently travelling the province facilitating Town Hall meetings with APEGS members to discuss some proposed bylaw changes that our members will have to vote on at the APEGS annual meeting. Thus, I am titling this month's submission - "Thoughts from the Road".

Thought #1 - Importance of Consultation

Meeting with our members in rural locations has reminded me of the importance of consultation. The APEGS members in these locations have been so thrilled to see us



President Shawna Argue

in their home towns and have been very engaged in the discussions that follow the presentations. So, to link this to CSSE - I wanted to thank those members that have sent me their thoughts over the past year on ideas for CSSE pursuits, or those for the larger Canadian engineering community. Some of these proposals have been presented to the Officers' Group and/or the Board of Directors for consideration and to report back to the appropriate group with recommendations.

Thought #2 - Importance of Visibility

As noted above, the APEGS members in the remote locations that we have been visiting have been very grateful that we made the effort to come to them, and not hold the meetings in Regina and Saskatoon only. This reinforces the need for CSSE to hold our annual meeting in varied locations across the country. By doing so, we are giving members in different areas the opportunity to attend the meetings and it also provides us with exposure locally that can be used as a marketing tool to attract potential new members. The Board of Directors has supported the concept of holding the meeting in proximity to the Canada Wide Science Fair as many of our members participate in the science fair as judges and can make a trip dual purpose. This occurred coincidentally in 2017 in Regina. We were hoping to hold the 2018 meeting in Ottawa to coincide with this year's science fair. Unfortunately we were not able to make that happen, but are pleased to be going to Calgary. The Canada Wide Science Fair is being held in Fredericton in 2019 and NB member and Fellow, Brent Smith, has enthusiastically agreed to lead a host committee for the 2019 CSSE annual meeting. The Officers' Group approved this location at its last meeting and will be taking this recommendation to the May Board of Directors Meeting for confirmation.



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Thought #3 - Importance of Transportation Engineering

This past week, our travels had us on the highways during one of the worst, multi-day snow storms that Saskatchewan has experienced in several years. As we drove, we reflected on all the various components of transportation engineering that we were grateful for in these adverse conditions, in particular: roadway design, winter road maintenance (e.g. snow plows, salt, sand) and most importantly the stability of the SUV in which we travelled including the traction of the tire design. How did the pioneers ever cross the winter prairies with horse and wagon???

Final Thought

While not "from the road", it is heartfelt. I wanted to thank Calgary member and CSSE Fellow, Leo Flaman for his hard work in organizing the 2018 annual meeting. We are looking forward to convening in Calgary on May 12. As noted later in this newsletter, registration for the annual meeting and awards gala is now open and accessible through the CSSE website. We look forward to seeing you all there.

New & Returning Members

In Memoriam

Dan Meneley

(Lakefield, Ontario)

Bryan Purdy (Winnipeg)

Douglas Chapman (Winnipeg)

James Graham (Winnipeg)

Will Tishinski (Winnipeg)

George Rempel (Winnipeg)

Leo Broks (Edmonton)

David Cross (Winnipeg)

Bryan Donald Norrie (Winnipeg)

David Grant (Winnipeg)

Christopher James Goodwin (Winnipeg)

Ernest (Ernie) Armitt (Winnipeg)

Members in the News

Del Fredlund of Saskatoon has been awarded the K.Y.LO medal by the Engineering Institute of Canada.

Alan Winter of Victoria has been appointed as B.C.'s first Innovation Commissioner, and is assuming the newly created role as the province's technology advocate in Ottawa and overseas.

Kay Nasser of Saskatoon has become a Member of the Order of Canada.

The 2018 AGM and Awards Dinner

The CSSE 2018 Annual Meeting and Awards dinner will be held in Calgary on May 12, 2018. A varied program of activities is being planned by the host committee under the leadership of the Leo Flaman. Details of the program can be viewed at the CSSE Website www.seniorengineers.ca.

This is the second CSSE Annual Meeting being held in Calgary.

On Saturday, May 12, 2018 the Annual Meetings will be held, at the APEGA offices. During the luncheon break, **Darin Watson**, Vice President, Engineering, Construction and Operations at Berkshire Hathaway Energy-Canada, and previously at AltaLink leading the Western Alberta Transmission Line project, will give a presentation on WATL (Western Alberta Transmission Line), Alberta's first in-service HVDC (High Voltage Direct Current) line. At the Awards Banquet, which will be held at the Calgary Golf and Country Club, 12 engineers from Canada will be receiving Fellowship Awards. Also at the dinner we will hear from **Jeff Gaulin**, Vice President Communications, Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers (CAPP) on the future of energy in Alberta, Canada, and the world.

From Sea to Sea to Sea ... Current and Coming Events

MARITIMES (Contact: Dan MacDonald, danm@cbcl.ca)

QUEBEC PROVINCE (Contact: Jean-Guy René, ja.rene@sympatico.ca)

MONTREAL (Contact: Bill Altimas, waltimas@hotmail.com or Bill Matthews,

williammatthews777@me.com) The Montreal group meets at the Manoir Resto in Pointe Claire on the first Monday of each month for lunch. There also will be two technical presentation luncheons at The Royal Saint Lawrence Yacht Club (The RSLYC) in Dorval, Quebec, at lunch, as follows: Wed., Apr. 18. Integrated Water and Power Resource Planning in Saudi Arabia, The Technical, The Techniques, The Institutional, The Practical and The Politics. (Willy Kotiuga, Director at SNC Lavalin and Power System Planning and Strategy Expert)

Wed., Jun. 13. The International Joint Commission (IJC), Its History and Selected Cases of Trans-boundary Canada/US Water Issues. (Murray Clamen, Adjunct Professor, McGill University)

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

THE GREATER OTTAWA AREA (Contact: Tony Thatcher, jathat@rogers.com)

The Ottawa Chapter (known to several members as "The Old Farts") meets at The KS Restaurant on Daze Ave., south of Southgate Shopping Mall, usually on the 3rd Monday of the month, at 11:30 for lunch at 12:00 and a speaker.

- Mar. 19. A New Mini Ice Age -- Is it Possible? (Michael King)
- Apr. 16. A Canadian Success Story (Bob Mather)
- May 21. The Silk Road (Drew Wilson)
- Jun. 18. I-900 Submarine (Mike Taylor)

THE GREATER TORONTO AREA (Contact: Jon Jennekens, jonorah@rogers.com)

MANITOBA (Contact: Dave Ennis, ns2@mymts.net)

The Manitoba chapter meets in the "Engineers Geoscientists Manitoba" offices

- Mar. 12. Road to Top of the World: Overcoming Engineering Challenges (Dr. Mario Alfaro, U. of M.)
- Apr. 16. Lean Manufacturing (Ian Marshall, LEAN Champion, Canadian Manufacturers and Exporter-Manitoba)

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

ALBERTA (Contact: Fred Otto, fotto@interbaun.com)

CALGARY (Contact: Chan Wirasinghe, wirasing@ucalgary.ca) The Calgary chapter met at The Schulich School of Engineering on January 29, for the first time. The event, including lunch and a tour of the new wing, was hosted by Dean Bill Rosehart of the school. Leo Flaman led a discussion about the coming CSSE AGM and associated events.

Recruit a New Member!

If you have a friend who is not a CSSE member, simply refer her or him to the CSSE website at www.seniorengineers.ca



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

The Edmonton Chapter meets at Chateau Louis Conference Centre, 11727 Kingsway on the 3rd Thursday of the month, at 11:30 a.m., with a buffet lunch at 12:00, followed by a speaker.

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

VANCOUVER (Contact: Aidan Gordon, aidan@gordoncrane.com)

The Vancouver chapter normally meets at 11:45, on the first Thursday each month at the Sutton Place Hotel, Burrard Street. (3-course lunch.

Cost: Members \$45.00, quests \$50.00.)

VANCOUVER ISLAND (now known as the Vancouver Island Engineering Society - VIES)

(Contact: Robin Black, robincblack@shaw.ca)

The Vancouver Island chapter gathers for lunch at 11:30 A.M., on the first Friday (adjusted for holidays) September through June, at The Oak Bay Recreation Centre, Victoria. Please link to www.viengsoc.ca for current activities and events, or secretary@viengsoc.ca for specific enquiries.

The CSSE Website: www.seniorengineers.ca

By Andy Jones

The CSSE web site continues to grow and improve. However, it is only as successful as the information that is placed there. If you have a photo of a project you worked on and think it would be of interest to others send it to andyjones@xplornet.com. The same with if you know of something a CSSE member has done that can be entered into "members spotlight". The French version is now available at http://seniorengineers.ca/scis/ and I'm looking for edits and corrections.

Correspondence with the CSSE Administration Office

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

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

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If you have a new mailing (or emailing) address, please inform the CSSE Administration Office and the CSSE Newsletter Editor Arnold Eyre arnoldeyre@outlook.com