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WSPE President’s Message July 2016
Greetings! To introduce myself, my name is Angela Hanz (amhanz@fs.fed.us) and I am honored to serve as the WSPE President for 2016-2017. I have been a member of WSPE for the past ten years and previously served as the Secretary on the WSPE State Board. I am currently employed as the Facilities Engineer at USDA, US Forest Service, Forest Products Laboratory which is the national research facility for wood utilization located in Madison, WI. I have been a federal employee for the past 12 years and was employed in the private sector for 8 years prior to my federal engineering career.

My goals for this year are to increase government participation in professional organizations such as
public; and increase awareness of the importance of mentorships and the path to licensure for student engineers.

I am just returning from the NSPE National Conference in Dallas, TX where the conference theme was “Innovate, Lead, and Change the World.” Highlights of the conference include the presentation from the keynote speaker, Dr. Nancy Currie-Gregg, a veteran of four space shuttle missions, who gave an update from the NASA Engineering and Safety Center; learning more about the challenges and developments of autonomous vehicles; networking with professional engineers from across the country; and attending numerous presentations on leadership. I encourage everyone to try to attend a national event sometime in your career to broaden your perspectives and grow in your profession.

I look forward to serving you in 2016/2017!

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2. KL Engineering Announcement

By: Erin Starks

KL Engineering congratulates Scott Cramer on his promotion to Chief Operating Officer and Ryan Schanhofer, PE on his promotion to Vice President – Construction Services Manager.

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3. Professional Engineers Day

By: Jordan Rasmussen

Professional Engineers Day 2016 is Upon Us!

It's time to spread the word about Professional Engineers Day which is **August 3rd, 2016.** This is a day to recognize licensed PEs around the world, educate others about what it means to be a PE, and get to know more about fellow PEs and why they decided to get licensed!

**NSPE is officially celebrating its first annual Professional Engineers Day this year, and it's important to get the word out about this significant day so we can successfully celebrate the achievements and accomplishments of our PEs!**

NSPE describes how you can be part of the virtual event through social media:

Use the hashtag #LicensedPEDay on either Instagram, Twitter, or Facebook along with one or all of the following:

- Upload a photo or video of yourself and tell us why you decided to become a PE
- Post photos or videos of your team of PEs
- Share your reasons for hiring PEs
- Give special recognition to your PEs in the workplace or on the job
- Educate your colleagues about the importance of the PE license
For more information about PE Day and licensure, click here: https://www.nspe.org/resources/professional-engineers-day

Take a look at the official WI proclamation for Professional Engineers Day from Gov Scott Walker HERE.

4. Other Important Information

ARE YOU ACTIVE ON TWITTER?

If so, we encourage you to follow our new Twitter account @WISPE_Comm for information about WSPE and our upcoming events & conferences!

FREE 6-Month Trial Membership!

Interested in WSPE but not sure if you want to join? Try a 6-month FREE trial membership, courtesy of WSPE.

Click here: www.wspe.org/WI%206%20months%20Free%20Membership%20Application.pdf to download an application. Contact Ed Rodden, WSPE Executive Director, at ExecDir@wspe.org for details.

We Need Your News!

Is your chapter hosting an event? Did your chapter get some new members? Have you started your own business? Is your company taking on a really challenging project? If you said "yes" to any one of these questions, or would like to share anything even remotely newsworthy with the rest of WSPE, let us know! We'd also like to include an article in the next eNews summarizing any recent changes or accomplishments to inform your fellow WSPE members.

Please contact Jordan Rasmussen, WSPE Communications Intern, at communications@wspe.org to share any news. We look forward to including your news in our monthly updates!
Update Your Information with WSPE!

Did you... get a new job? ...get promoted? ...get a new phone number or email address? ...get your PE license? You can update your information yourself on the NSPE website!

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**WSPE Mission Statement**

WSPE is an organization of licensed Professional Engineers (PEs) and Engineering Interns/Engineers in Training (EIs/EITs). WSPE enhances the image of its members and their ability to ethically and professionally practice engineering through education, licensure advocacy, leadership training, multi-disciplinary networking, and outreach.

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