

State News for NSPE Members

President's Message

By Keith R. Nikolay, P.E.



As my time as your president winds down, I look back and see how much the Executive Committee has accomplished over the past year. We have continued to host our Virtual Discovery Conference, which has become a staple for numerous individuals to maintain their PDHs. We reviewed and updated our bylaws, which has been in the works for a couple years.

I am excited about our incoming president, John Brome. His wealth of knowledge about our organization, his dedication to the engineering profession, and his unending commitment will benefit all of us. I have leaned on him throughout my tenure and am confident he will keep NSPE-WI moving forward.

Finally, please plan to attend our NSPE Executive Annual Meeting on Thursday, June 25, starting at 3:00 p.m. CST. This will be held virtually and Aurea Rivera, P.E., F.NSPE, from NSPE National will preside over the new officer installation ceremony.

We Need Your News!



Is your Chapter hosting an event? Did your Chapter gain new members? Have you started your own business? Is your company taking on a really challenging project? If you said yes to any of these questions, or would like to share extracurricular activities, please email these articles to Keith Nikolay (knikolay@coleman-engineering.com) and we will post these on the website and in PE Matters. We look forward to including your news in our quarterly updates!



NSPE-WI Mission Statement: NSPE-WI is an organization of licensed Professional Engineers (PEs) and Engineering Interns/Engineers in Training (EIs/EITs). NSPE-WI 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.

Engineers Foundation of Wisconsin, Inc.

Every year, the Engineers Foundation of Wisconsin, Inc. (EFW) pours through countless scholarship applications from high school seniors entering and is excited to award the following scholarships based on academic achievement, community involvement, and extracurricular activities:

EFW Scholarship A—\$3,000:

Jonah Paglini (Western)

EFW Scholarship B—\$3,000:

Aubrey Halverson (Southwest)

EFW Scholarship C—\$3,000:

Michael Samundsen (Wis Valley)

EFW Scholarship D—\$3,000:

Ryan Lai (Fox River Valley)

Louis Geiger Scholarship A—\$3,000:
Brady Youngstrom (Metro)

Louis Geiger Scholarship B—\$3,000:
Nathan Scarmon (Southwest)

Louis Geiger Scholarship C—\$3,000:
Justin Wynne (Northwest)

Robert G Cooper Scholarship—\$3,000:
Caleb Scheller (Fox River Valley)

Harold D Kobbervig Memorial Scholarship A—\$5,000:
Caroline Salley (Southeast)

Harold D Kobbervig Memorial Scholarship B—\$5,000:
Jackson Kaesermann (Southeast)

Harold D Kobbervig Memorial Scholarship C—\$5,000:
Jack Bozych (Southeast)

Harold D Kobbervig Memorial Scholarship D—\$5,000:
Sarah Lescher (Southeast)

Harold D Kobbervig Memorial Scholarship E—\$5,000:
Lillian Nickolai (Southeast)

Harold D Kobbervig Memorial Scholarship F—\$3,000:
Samuel Koepnick (Southeast)

Harold D Kobbervig Memorial Scholarship G—\$3,000:
Stephanie Compean (Southeast)

Harold D Kobbervig Memorial Scholarship H—\$3,000:
Kylie Schultz (Southeast)

Terry Ni Engineering Scholarship A—\$4,000:
Keira Petersen (Metro)

Terry Ni Engineering Scholarship B—\$4,000:
Aditi Muduganti (Western)

Terry Ni Engineering Scholarship C—\$3,000:
Rylen Hinckley (Fox River Valley)

Terry Ni Engineering Scholarship D—\$3,000:
Archer Utke (Northwest)

Terry Ni Engineering Scholarship E—\$3,000:
Isabella Ayres-Wilhelm (Southwest)

Terry Ni Engineering Scholarship F—\$3,000:
Neel Gonugunta (Wisconsin Valley)

Terry Ni Engineering Scholarship G in memory of Heather Cotey—\$3,000:
Preston Olsen (Wisconsin Valley)

Charles H Bennett Memorial Scholarship—\$1,000:
Jack DeMenter (Fox River Valley)

2026 – 2027 NSPE-WI Executive Committee



Congratulations to your incoming Executive Committee!

President – John Brome, P.E.
President Elect – John Mika, P.E.
Past President – Keith Nikolay, P.E.
VP Education – Phil O’Leary, P.E.
VP Membership – Norm Arendt, Ph.D., FFL
VP Government – Glen Schwalbach, P.E., F. NSPE
VP Technology – Yisak Dereje Asefa
State Delegate – Fred Groth, P.E., SE
Treasurer – Elizabeth Regier, P.E.
Secretary – Colleen Scholl, P.E.
NSPE-WI Historian – Keith Nikolay, P.E.

2026 Annual Meeting

By John Brome, P.E.

Every year, NSPE-WI holds an annual meeting which is primarily for officially inducting our new state and chapter officers into their newly elected NSPE-WI

office. Most terms are for one year although there are two offices whose terms are 2 years: State Treasurer and the HoD National Delegate.

This year, we have the privilege of having the NSPE Central Region Director Aurea Rivera as our conference host, who will officiate the induction process. Even our President of the United States goes through a similar procedure after each presidential election, to promise to do their very best and uphold the highest of ethical standards.

If you have been elected to a chapter or state office, please make every effort to attend our Zoom meeting (est. 2 hours long). If you're not an elected officer but an NSPE-WI member, please attend as well to better understand what our officers and state society have accomplished over the last fiscal year. Please contact me (bromej@yahoo.com) or Keith Nikolay, our current president, (knikolay@coleman-engineering.com) if you are not an elected chapter or state officer and wish to attend our annual meeting on Thursday, June 25, at 3:00 p.m. CST. We hope to see you there!

2026 RTX MATHCOUNTS National Competition

Congratulations to the following individuals representing the Wisconsin at the RTX National MATHCOUNTS Competition in Orlando, Florida, on May 9 – 12.

Becky Scozzafave

Milwaukee
Whitefish Bay Middle School
Coach

Arthur Wang

Fitchburg
Kromrey Middle (Middleton)
Student

Junhao Feng

Milwaukee
Whitefish Bay Middle School
Student

Eric Zhang

Fitchburg
EAGLE School of Madison
Student

Jiyan Singh

River Hills

University School of Milwaukee
Student



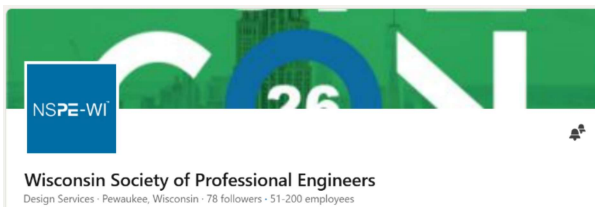
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Employers understand the importance of hiring and retaining high-caliber engineering talent. NSPE helps them create a supportive, growth-focused work environment through its innovative Enterprise Membership program – an easy way for an employer to provide NSPE (national, state, and chapter) membership to five or more employees. Your employees will gain access to career advancement resources, professional growth, discounts on continuing education offerings, and meaningful engagement across the profession. A gain for your employee is a gain for your organization! How it works:

- Join with five or more employees by contacting NSPE Membership.
- Add new members to your group at any time.
- Get a single consolidated bill and access to a dedicated Members Service team.

<https://www.nspe.org/resources/enterprise-membership>

NSPE-WI on LinkedIn



Are you on LinkedIn? Do you want to grow your professional audience? Then search “Wisconsin Society of Professional Engineers”, and click *Follow!* We are actively trying to increase our followers so do your part and share with your co-workers.

Calendar of Events

NSPE-WI Executive Annual Meeting

Zoom Meeting (3:00 – 5:00 PM CST)

June 25

Independence Day

Happy 250 Years!

July 4

NSPECon 2026

New York, NY

August 5 – 7, 2026

Professional Engineers Day

August 5

In-Person Discovery Conference

Green Bay

September

Labor Day

September 7

National STEM Day

Celebrating Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics

November 8

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The NSPE Exchange Launches Leadership Brief Series



The [NSPE Exchange](#)—a community for PEs, by PEs—kicked off a Leadership Brief series with NSPE Executive Director & CEO Christina Lewellen, CAE, on Friday, June 12. During this 30-minute session, Christina shared her vision, early priorities, and key focus areas for the Federation in the upcoming fiscal year. Members were able to participate in a live Q&A. Stay tuned for upcoming Leadership Brief sessions!

Participate in the Advocacy Insights Survey

NSPE is inviting members to share feedback on advocacy priorities and policy issues affecting engineering practice. Responses to the brief survey (2-3 minutes) will help provide additional insight into issues affecting professional engineers.

[Access the survey.](#)

Get Ready to Celebrate PE Day on August 5!



The annual [Professional Engineers Day](#) will be celebrated on August 5, 2026. Save the date and get ready to share your on-site photos and selfies as part of the online virtual event using the hashtag [#LicensedPEday](#) on X (Twitter), Facebook, Instagram or LinkedIn. Share your reasons for being a PE and give special recognition to your colleagues and teams. Prepare for the celebration and e-gear up by visiting the [PE Day Logo Store](#).

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