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Looking back over the past several months, we are all faced with a question this Thanksgiving. Can we, despite the challenges around us, continue to acknowledge and celebrate positive achievement? Can we continue to be thankful for the good in our lives? Individually, as an organization, and as a profession, I believe we can. This is not to diminish the challenges faced this year and those yet to come. Rather it is a reminder that we must balance our reactions with the positive pragmatism so essential to the practice of engineering. We work the problem and we proceed on.

Just as each of you has adjusted your daily lives to carry through the past year, the Professional Engineers of Oregon continues to adapt to the conditions around us, finding ways to make the most of our situation. The state board and local chapters have increased their use of Zoom videoconferencing to stay connected. While the camaraderie of face-to-face meetings remains a bright spot on the horizon, our ability to tune in to events across the state from the convenience of home or office fosters a broader connection. As we near the completion of the PEO website update, we are prioritizing greater accessibility of online chapter-level events. An updated calendar will allow each of you to easily access to the wide range of presentations offered across the state. From all corners of Oregon, the membership of PEO will be able to connect in pursuit of continued education and professional networking.

During the upcoming Town Hall, to be held via Zoom videoconference at noon, Monday, December 14, the state leadership and I will share with you the achievements of 2020, the opportunities of 2021, and the celebration of our Legacy Charter Class of PEO Fellows. Please join us for the hour as we will be polling members throughout for ideas to cultivate membership value in the year to come.

Personally, I want to express my gratitude to each of you for your continued engagement in PEO and NSPE. I am thankful for the state and chapter leaders and the unwavering support of our Executive Director, Belinda Rasmussen. Looking forward to seeing each of you for the December Town Hall!

Wishing each of you a warm Holiday season.

Tom Headley, PE

President, Professional Engineers of Oregon

Oregon Delegate, NSPE House of Delegates



## **ATTENTION PEO MEMBERS...**



### Presenting the Legacy Charter Class of PEO Fellows

Thank you to the PEO Fellow Committee - Ralph Cohen, P.E., PEO Vice President & David Bassett, P.E., PEO Secretary. The Legacy Class will be awarded on December 14th at the Annual Town Hall Meeting.

#### These are the leaders that served as pioneers of our organization. Thank you.

- Al Aising, PE City Engineer Ashland, wonderful supportive person behind the scenes.
- X Arlen Borgen, PE PEO President 1979 Active in NSPE
- Fred Burgess, PE PEO president 1980, Dean of Engineering OSU, Supporter of students and PEO community. Ambassador of engineering profession; always there when needed.
- 👸 Edward Butts, PE PEO president 1996. Civic and Community Service. Served on the OSBEELS Board. Engineer of the Year.
- Y Paul Christerson, PE PEO president 1955, Executive Director OSBEE; as PEO president set high but fair standards. Active in education of engineers and students; good mentors and teachers.
- William Daugherty, PE, FNSPE 1981-83 National PEO Representative. Supporter of PEO Educational Foundation.
- 👸 Ralph Drewfs, PE, FASME PEO State Officer Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, FASME. Engineer of the Year
- H Chik Erzurumlu, PE, FNSPE 2005 Presidents Award 1998 Engineers of the Year. Served in PE in Education at the national level. Connection to the engineering students at Portland State University.
- Tai Funatake, PE PEO president 1976, Education Foundation President, Model Citizen, Kind and Solid Friend.
- John Gearhart, PE Supporter of PEO on the coast during early days of SW chapter growth.
- Mark Grenz, PE PEO President 1988 PEO State Sponsor
- Lincoln Groner, PE PEO President 1973, Shaker and Mover
- Mark Hampton, PE PEO President 2012 and 2013 & SW Chapter officer. Civic minded.
- Stephen Hawke, PE PEO Educational Foundation Past President. Supporter of MATHCOUNTS/Engineers Scholarship Program.
- Dave Holman, PE PEO VP and treasurer, flunked retirement 3 times. Active in the California Chapter of NSPE.
- Robert Keeney, PE PEO president 1972, Ambassador, Civic Service, Pioneer
- Koger Kuhlman, PE PEO President 2000 & Oregon MATHCOUNTS President
- Walter Marquess, PE Founder Marquess and Associates and leader in the Rogue Valley Chapter
- William "Bill" Pease, PE, FNSPE PEO President 1983 PEPP & PEO Board Member. Supporter of MATHCOUNTS and the Educational Foundation. None as the society historian!
- Ronald Polvi, PE, FNSPE PEO President 1992 and 2007. Oregon MATHCOUNTS Board member and President.
- **Ronald Stuntzner, PE** 2015 Engineer of the Year 1973-74 SW Chapter President. Lead Engineers Week for many years. Served on the OSBEELS Board.
- John Talbott, PE, FNSPE PEO President 1977. Active in NSPE.
- David Taylor, PE PEO President 1991. Ambassador of engineering profession; always there when needed. Ed Foundation Treasurer.
- William "Bill" Tye, PE PEO President 2005. Founder of the Central Oregon Chapter. Supporter and board member of the Educational Foundation and Central Oregon Scholarship Fund.
- Mark Van Duser, PE Supporter of PEO programs MATHCOUNTS. Engineers week and Columbia Chapter programs. Active in education of engineers and students; good mentor and teacher.
- John VanBladeren, PE PEO president 1975, CEO NW Natural Gas, PEO Educational Foundation; Donors and Managers
- CP Westwood, PE PEO President 1974, Major PEO Supporter, Marguess firm. Served on OSBEE and/or OSBEELS; Executive Director
- Kendell Wood, PE PEO President 1969, OSBEE Executive Director, Consummate Professional, Pioneer of registration
- William "Will" Wright, PE PEO President 1999, Mentor, Unique designs, SW chapter supporter

## **OREGON MATHCOUNTS UPDATE**

### Stephen F. Anderson, P.E. Retires from Oregon MATHCOUNTS Foundation Board

MATHCOUNTS is the only competition program of its kind for middle school students. It was developed jointly by NSPE, the National Council



of Teachers of Mathematics and CAN Insurance in 1983. The Professional Engineers of Oregon joined the program in 1984. Middle school students who love math and those who fear math do well in the program. In Oregon we have many volunteers who run the program. Steve Anderson, P.E. who has been a valuable volunteer, is retiring.

Steve has been a steadfast supporter of Oregon MATHCOUNTS (ORMC) for more than 10 years. Steve started by volunteering at ORMC competitions, he was the chief moderator at many competitions, and he joined the Board in 2011 and served as President from 2013 to 2016.

The poster of his face, in a sea of middle school Mathletes (photo), is bound to represent ORMC at public events for years to come. Steve explained that the photo came about when he was in charge of a group of Mathletes at a State Competition at OSU several years ago. When the group arrived at the test room, they found it was locked. While they waited in the hall for the room to be opened, the students told jokes and goofed around, surprising Steve with their wit, good behavior, and enthusiasm. Before the door was unlocked, the group struck a pose, and the moment was caught on camera.

Steve enjoys working with youth, and particularly enjoyed working with the Mathletes as well as the college and high school students who helped at the ORMC meets. He reminds everyone to keep it fun! Whatever you are doing.

The ORMC Board thank Steve and his wife Borgny for their dedication to the ORMC Mathletes, many of whom will go on to be the engineers, mathematicians, and scientists of our future. Ralph Cohen, PE and Wendy Coffin, PE presented Steve a plaque commemorating his years of service (photo). Even though he is retiring from the Board we plan to see him at future competitions.



Dear PEO Members, Happy December and Happy Giving!

As we enter the last month of the year, these are the final days before the end of giving season.

Money raised today will help: BUILDING A BETTER FUTURE BY SUPPORTING OREGON ENGINEERING STUDENTS!

Donate to these tax deductible foundations...

- Oregon MATHCOUNTS Middle School Math Competition Your support for Prizes and Appreciation to Coaches
- ♦ PEO Educational Foundation Supporting Oregon Engineering Students with 6 Scholarships
- ♦ Central Oregon Chapter Scholarship Fund for Local Engineering Students

THANK YOU to those that participated in Giving Tuesday!



Belinda Rasmussen, CMM, PEO Executive Director

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# JOIN US - TOWN HALL MEETING - DECEMBER 14TH



The Engineers Joint Contract Documents Committee (EJCDC) released a new document: EJCDC E-505 2020, Agreement Between Owner and Engineer for Professional Services—Task Order Edition.

https://www.nspe.org/resources/ejcdc-contract-documents

### **WELCOME NEW & RETURNING MEMBERS:**

Aashish Bhushan Anand Student University of Portland Kellen J Berthiaume Student Portland State University

Chris M Dahlen Student Oregon Tech

Paul Entzminger Student Oregon Institute of Technology
Navid Karami-chamgordani Student Portland State University

Adam Kerper, PE Electrical Engineer

Micah Joseph Morgan Student George Fox University

Garrett Oman Student Oregon Institute of Technology Adam Provost Student Portland State University Neal Michael Rose, EI/EIT Student Oregon Institute of Technology

Lauren Annarose White Student University of Portland
Jakob Lachlan White Student Portland State University

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