### State News for NSPE Members

### **Save the Date: 73rd Annual Engineers Week Awards**

In celebrating **73 years of National Engineers Week**, NSPE-NH is offering an afternoon of educational sessions and exhibition/awards banquet on **Thursday**, **February 22, 2024**, at the Grappone Conference Center in Concord. The sessions will offer three (3) professional development hours (PDHs).

### **Agenda**

**Educational Sessions** (2:00 – 5:00 pm, order TBD) One session will focus on a design build project for the US Army Corps to rehabilitate a shoreline and Fuel pier in the remote location of Shemya Island, Alaska, presented by Kyle Vandemoer from Appledore Marine Engineering. Stay tuned for updates on the additional sessions.

#### **Exhibition & Awards Banquet**

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Exhibits open/Social hour (Cash bar & Hors d'Oeurves)

6:00 p.m. Opening Comments – Governor Chris Sununu (invited)

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Dinner and Presentation of Awards

7:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Keynote Speaker TBD

If you have questions about the event, want to become a sponsor, and/or participate in the Exhibitors Social Hour, please contact Sam Fortier at (603) 897-5484 or send an email to him.

# Call for Nominations: Engineer of the Year and Young Engineer of the Year Awards

NSPE-NH is seeking nominations for the Engineer of the Year (EOY) and Young Engineer of the Year (YEOY) Awards for 2024. Nominations are due by **Wednesday, January 17, 2024**.

EOY and YEOY are the highest awards given to individuals by the New Hampshire Engineering Societies. Each award is presented to an engineer who has made outstanding contributions to the engineering profession, the public welfare, and humankind. The awards will be presented at the Engineers Week Awards Banquet. Access more information about the awards and nomination forms here.

## **New Hampshire Energy Efficiency Plans Expected to Move Forward**

NHPR reports that a new round of plans for energy efficiency programs in New Hampshire is set to take effect after two years of controversy.

The state's Public Utilities Commission approved small changes to the \$250 million program that helps Granite Staters with things like putting insulation in their home, or buying energy efficient appliances.

But two of the three commissioners, Daniel Goldner and Pradip Chattopadhyay, said in a majority opinion they were not ruling on the plan as a whole based on their interpretation of a 2022 state law that set the energy efficiency program budgets in statute.

The Public Utilities Commission has expressed skepticism of the state's energy efficiency programs, which are managed by the utility companies Eversource, Unitil and Liberty along with the New Hampshire Electric Cooperative, in the past.

Those programs are funded for the most part by a charge of a few dollars on residents' monthly energy bills called the System Benefits Charge.

The commissioners approved two changes: transitioning a pilot program to reduce demand on the grid into a full program, and creating a new name and structure for energy efficiency programs that serve municipal gas customers. Read more.

Stay up to date on legislative issues through the NSPE Advocacy Center.

**Share Your Expertise: NSPECon24 Presentations** 



NSPE seeks speakers willing to elevate the profession by providing interesting, relevant, and timely education to colleagues attending the 2024 Professional Engineers Conference (NSPECon24) August 7-9 in Raleigh, North Carolina.

Proposals may address a number of topics in three key conference tracks that include leadership, issues and trends, and career assistance. Please consider sharing your expertise and insights by **submitting a presentation proposal by midnight, January 10**.

To learn more about potential topic areas, how to prepare a submission, and the benefits of being selected to present, click on the button below.

**Submit Your Presentation** 

### **NSPE Member Benefit: On-Demand Webinars**

The WORKability Wednesdays fall series wrapped up in November. Recordings of the presentations are available in the PE Institute. Past webinars are also available for viewing in the On-Demand Webinars section of the website.

NSPE is always seeking great content and speakers. Those interested in presenting can submit ideas using the online Call for Webinars form.

**Enterprise Membership - Elevate Your Engineering Team** 



Is your organization looking to bring together a team of engineers, each committed to professional growth and staying up to date with the ever-evolving field of engineering? Consider launching your NSPE Enterprise Membership!

In today's rapidly changing engineering landscape, having a group of experts with diverse skills is essential. To rise to the challenges of this environment, engineers must commit to continuous upskilling and lifelong learning. The skills demanded by the profession in 2024 include critical thinking, problem-solving, active learning, resilience, stress tolerance, and flexibility.

"NSPE Enterprise Membership has proven to be a valuable program for our engineering team at Huitt-Zollars. It streamlines our membership process; the ability to make a single payment for multiple employees simplifies our administrative tasks and reduces time. Our engineers appreciate the continuous learning/professional development and networking opportunities provided by NSPE throughout the year." — John Ho, P.E., F.NSPE, Vice President, Huitt-Zollars

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- Unite Your Engineering Team: NSPE Enterprise Membership brings together five or more individuals from your organization into one cohesive group.
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