

State News for NSPE Members

Society Celebrates National Engineers Week and Welcomes NSPE President



The Nevada Society was honored to have NSPE President David Martini, P.E., F.NSPE, and his wife Julie as its special guests in February over the weekend of Engineers Week. President Martini attended the DiscoverE Introduce a Kid to Engineering event at University of Nevada, Las Vegas, and the National E-Week Finale Dinner hosted by NSPE-NV. He spoke at the Order of the Engineer ceremony that was part of the evening.

The National E-Week Finale Dinner on Saturday, February 22 took place at the Orleans Hotel and Casino with a 1920s theme. The ceremonies included the Order of the Engineer oath; a hosted cocktail hour; dinner; and the presentation of

scholarships, awards, door prizes, and an escape room puzzle. WTS hosted the after-party. Attendees numbered 330!

Congratulations to the award winners from NSPE-NV:

Engineer of the Year – Craig Sisco, P.E., F.NSPE, Southwest Gas Corporation

Young Engineer of the Year – Trisha Nakaura, EI, Atkins

Ramona Lesley Dedicated Service Award – Molly Marks, UNLV

Project of the Year – Starr Avenue Interchange – NDOT

[Access additional info and photos.](#)

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Kudos #TeamNDOT. The I-15 / Starr Interchange was named "Project of the Year" by the National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE), Nevada Chapter. <https://bit.ly/2vkDg7u>

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This past weekend I had the honor of being recognized at Nevada's National Society of Professional Engineers #eweek2020 Gatsby-themed banquet as a recipient of the Helene S Overlay award from WTS Nevada. This award and scholarship is given to help advance women in transportation-related fields through graduate education and research. It is so exciting to have been selected as a recipient and I look forward to growing alongside the best women in the industry. I am especially grateful for my recommenders, Mojdeh Asadollahi Pajouh, P.E. and Christopher Catlin.



New Tools Available for PE Advocates

As “occupational reform” bills spring up across the country and put professional licensing at risk, an NSPE-formed coalition has prepared a useful resource kit that can be used by PE advocates to set the record straight.

The [Alliance for Responsible Professional Licensing](#) is working to remind lawmakers that highly complex and technical professions, like engineering, rely on a rigorous system to protect the public health, safety, and welfare. It’s this rigor that clearly sets these professions apart from the vocational occupations that lawmakers often cite in defense of their efforts to weaken licensing requirements.

You can learn more about the threat in an ARPL-produced [webinar](#) covering the organization's background, its work on behalf of highly technical licensed professions, and the state advocacy tools it's created.

You'll also find advocacy and messaging resources on [the main page](#) of the public Drop Box, titled "State Partner Tools and Resources (ARPL)." On this page, you'll see folders for Key Messages and Talking Points, Lawmaker Outreach Handouts, Public Opinion Research, Sample Letters to the Editor and Op-Eds, Social Media, State Specific Folders, Video Files, and a folder for the webinar.

In addition to NSPE, alliance members include the American Institute of Architects, the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the American Society of Civil Engineers, the American Society of Landscape Architects, the Council of Landscape Architectural Registration Boards, the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy, the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards, and the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying.

If you have questions, please contact Margaret Edwards at medwards@nspe.org.

Climate Change Special Issue

As climate change effects proliferate, professional engineers are taking on the crisis. They're working to provide solutions as part of their responsibility to protect the public health, safety, and welfare.

The [March/April issue of PE magazine](#) includes three articles highlighting PEs' work in this area:

- ["Climate Changers"](#) –Young engineers feel a responsibility to take action on climate with their work—and they're increasingly choosing to work for companies that share this perspective.
- ["Harsh Realities Drive Adaptation"](#) – Cities are targeting climate-change impacts with comprehensive policies. Professional engineers and AEC firms are showing that their expertise can help bring these plans to fruition.
- ["A Grand Challenge Needs to Inspire Grand Solutions"](#) – Professional engineers have an abundance of opportunities to invent creative, innovative solutions to issues surrounding environmental sustainability and resilience.



Share Your Views on the Engineering Profession

Do you support the elimination of state licensure exemptions? Should states align their licensing requirements to help PEs easily practice in multiple jurisdictions? Does your place of employment welcome diverse perspectives?

These are just some of the issues facing the professional engineering community. NSPE encourages you to provide your perspectives on these topics and more by participating in the [2020 Engineering Outlook & Salary Survey](#).

The 15-minute survey is open to NSPE members, engineering students, and engineering professionals. Participants will be eligible to enter a drawing for one of four \$50 Amazon gift cards.

The results of the survey will be made available to participants and will also be shared in *PE* magazine and other NSPE publications.

[Access the 2020 Engineering Outlook & Salary Survey.](#)

Communication on Your Terms: Update Your Preferences

The screenshot displays the 'My Account' interface. On the left is a profile picture of Mrs. Rhoda Chari with an 'EDIT' button. The main section shows member details: Mrs Rhoda Chari, Member, MemberID: 300182816, Membership Expiration Date: 12/31/2019, 1420 King St, Alexandria, VA 22314-2794, and email zrchari@nspe.orgzz. Below this are several green buttons: 'EDIT CONTACT INFO', 'EDIT DEMOGRAPHICS', 'NSPE COMMUNITIES', 'RENEW NOW', 'CHANGE PASSWORD', 'STATE HOME', and 'ENTERPRISE ADMIN'. Red arrows point from 'Step 1: Update your profile' to the 'EDIT CONTACT INFO' and 'EDIT DEMOGRAPHICS' buttons, and from 'Step 2: Select your email preferences' to the 'NSPE COMMUNITIES' button. On the right, a blue sidebar titled 'My Account Links' contains links for 'My Degrees', 'My Donations', 'My Downloads', 'My Expertise', 'My Committees', 'Manage my Subscriptions', 'My Interest Groups', 'My Social Media', and 'My Payment Info'.

NSPE is committed to providing the best service possible. To that end, we need to verify that member profile information is accurate. This includes preferred names and titles, and employer and contact information. NSPE asks all members to [review their member profile and update their information](#).

Thanks to updates to the NSPE database, members can now also choose exactly what emails they want to receive. With new subscription management options, members can unsubscribe from some mailing lists without missing out on information of interest to them. In order to make this possible, all members' email settings have been reset to the default. Everyone will need to log into their account to manage their preferences, even if they have previously unsubscribed from a mailing list.

[Update information and preferences.](#)

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