From the President

Greetings and warm regards from the Board of the Lehigh Valley Section.

November was a very busy month for the LVASCE. We offered two excellent webinars:
• “Ultra-lightweight Foamed Glass Aggregate: Testing, Applications, and Case Studies” by Thomas Heaney, PhD, PE, of Aera Aggregates (our Featured Sponsor for November); and
• “A Virtual Discussion on Infrastructure” by U.S. Representative Chrysoula Houlahan.

A special thank you to Dr. Pratap and Phil Hart, PE, for the Reading Branch for setting up the session with Representative Houlahan. It was topnotch, engaging, and very well attended. Let’s do it again sometime!

In other news, Lane Wilder, PE has stepped into the breach as the new Chair of the Lehigh Valley Chapter of the Structural Engineering Institute (SEI). Thanks, Lane, for your leadership and for energizing us to serve our profession.

At this time of year—in a normal world—we would be busily preparing for our annual LVASCE Holiday Banquet. But the world is anything but normal right now, as our Holiday Banquet has been canceled. We look forward to rejuvenating our social gatherings as soon as the COVID-19 situation permits. There is light at the end of this long tunnel.

I wish you all a joyful and safe holiday season. If you have any ideas about how the LVASCE can serve you more effectively, please don’t hesitate to contact me at sjeslesier@gmail.com.

Steve Ressler, PE, PhD, Dist.M.ASCE

UPCOMING EVENTS

On December 9th at 7:00 p.m., Steve Ressler will present a webinar entitled “The BOARD OF DIRECTORS: As a director in your section,” presented in concert with the meetup.org group, will be led by Steve Ressler, PE. The first reading of a proposed amendment to the LVASCE Bylaws of Direction will take place at this meeting.

On December 17th at 12:00 p.m., George Horos, PE, Senior Vice President and Lehigh Valley Division Manager at Alfred Benesch and Company (our Featured Sponsor for December) will do a 1.0 PDH presentation on Berad’s Railroad Services. The registration fee will be $5.00. Watch for a registration e-mail soon.

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This has been a year few of us will likely ever forget. The COVID-19 pandemic has changed the way we live, but as an organization, we were quick to pivot to virtual platforms and digital communication so that our essential ASCE work could continue. Our October ASCE Board of Direction virtual meeting went off without a hitch, and we hosted a very productive webinar. Post and foremost, the board voted to approve the proposed update to the ASCE Code of Ethics. The new code is clearer, more concise, and organized by stakeholder priorities. The board also voted to approve an second reading a proposed amendment to the ASCE Constitution that would give votes to student members. The amendment passed unanimously by a vote of 21 to 0. The vote will be held before the Society election. A further discussion of the new Code of Ethics is provided in a separate section of this newsletter.

In the November LVASCE Board meeting, the board voted to rescind its decision to rescind the 100th Anniversary Committee,形成的 the LVASCE Centennial Committee. The “Board of Directors” will be reorganized under the chairmanship of the President and the LVASCE Centennial Committee.

In less than two years, we will celebrate the 100th Anniversary of our founding. We’d like to establish a Committee to plan this celebration.

Past Presidents of the LVASCE will be particularly welcome as members of this Committee. If interested in participating in the LVASCE 100th Anniversary Committee, please contact Steve Ressler at sjeslesier@gmail.com.

WEBSITE:

If you are interested in getting involved with the LVASCE, please contact Gary at gparry@gparry.com. If you have a project for public recognition, please contact Catherine Mathis at cjmathis90@gmail.com.

If you would like to get involved in developing ASCE’s 2022 Infrastructure Report Card for Pennsylvania, please contact Dion Campbell at dioncampbell53@gmail.com.

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