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PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE
By Paul F. Junk, PE, PS, FCC President

Next month is the highlight of the year. It is the Spring CPD Conference & Annual Members Meeting on June 2 to June 4 at Cleveland Airport Marriott. This is your chance to see your friends and make new ones with other engineers across the state. You will see what is happening at the state level and an opportunity to make a difference with the state society. If the role of leadership is not the thing for you, there is the educational aspect of the conference. The conference offers 12.5 CPD hours for two days or if you cannot spare the time then on Saturday - 7 CPD hours can be acquired. Either of these options will put a dent in the 30 hours of continuing professional development required per two years. Take this chance to have a mini-vacation with your family. There are tours to entertain the family while you are getting edified during the day. Cleveland has a lot of interesting sites to explore with the family the rest of the weekend. This could be your best chance to explore Cleveland before the Republicans takes over in July.

I hope you were able to attend two important events. The Engineers Foundation of Ohio Benefit Golf Outing was to support the EFO which fund the education and young people activities. The Ohio Engineers Legislative Day gave engineers a chance to listen to Legislators and express our concerns. It was a day to also earn CPD’s.

New officers are being selected for next year’s activates. We will need many volunteers to serve on committees and looking for a few good people to head the committees. Please be active to maintain our chapter as the best in Ohio. Ask any of the officers’ listed in this newsletter where you can help.

Look forward to the next Ohio Engineering Certificate Ceremony on Saturday, September 24, 2016. Let us welcome these new professionals.

FRANKLIN COUNTY CHAPTER OFFICER INSTALLATION & AWARDS CEREMONY

We urge Chapter members and guests to come and support the Chapter’s newly elected officers and help recognizes the Chapter Awardees.

Date: Thursday, May 19, 2016
Place: La Scala Restaurant
4199 W. Dublin Granville Rd., Dublin
Registration: 11:30 am
Welcome & Lunch: 11:40 am
Awards Presentation: 12:30 pm
Closing Remarks: 1:30 pm
Cost: Members: $20.00 & Non-Members: $30.00.
Registration: Visit fccospe.com. Pay at door or online at (www.fccospe.org). No access to computer contact Jim Arnold, 614-299-2133, to help with registration.

The chapter cannot be successful without member support. There are many areas which members can lend their support. We have monthly programs except during the summer months and in December. We currently issue 10 Columbus Engineer Newsletters during the program year.

Also during the year, we have the ”Imagine Engineering Coloring Contest” for second grade elementary students; Engineering Scholarships for graduating seniors; MATHCounts competition for 6th, 7th and 8th grade students; and Science Day grading for Engineering related projects.

You should review the committees listed in the back of the news letter and volunteer to work on any the committees that interest you by contacting the new FCC President, Kevin M Ernst, PE email: kevin.ernst@terracon.com
FCC Auxiliary May Meeting

The Auxiliary to the Franklin Co. Chapter of OSPE will meet for a noon luncheon Tuesday, May 17, at Scioto Country Club, 2196 Riverside Dr. AAUW Women’s Chorus under the direction of Laurie Hagerman will entertain.

Sharon Eifert is to give the invocation and lead the pledge of allegiance. Hostess is Barb Fuller. Guests are welcome. For reservations call Jean Mitchell, 614-262-7071.

Central District Science Day 2016 – Science Matters!

The Franklin County Chapter Sponsored Awards for the Central District Science Day. District Science Days are administered and held at 16 colleges and universities throughout Ohio. This is a golden opportunity to see our future engineers developing at a very early age.

The Central District Science Day was held at Columbus State Community College on March 19th. Projects devoted to any engineering discipline were eligible for the Chapter awards. This year the Franklin County Chapter selected the top three engineering projects from the 39 engineering student projects judged.

Grading was based on the knowledge achieved, effective use of the scientific method or engineering design process, clarity of expression, originality and creativity. Awards of $150, $100 and $50 were presented to the top three finishers.

The top three engineering projects were:
1. George Li – Ultrasonic Obstacle Avoidance Device for the Visually Impaired
3. Arctic Oil Spill Clean-up: Light vs. Heavy Oil

A special thanks to our judges who helped make this an ongoing success!
FCC Student Chapter

We need some help from chapter members in re-establishing a student chapter at OSU.

We have made several inquiries which indicate significant interest among the engineering students and faculty, including positive indication of interest from 60 engineering students and positive responses from two engineering department chairs.

The chapter needs to provide leadership, likely in the form of:

- Student Chapter Liaison: To provide some close coordination with student leadership
- Student Chapter Advisor: To provide advice and guidance.

Interested individuals should contact: Kevin Ernst, PE - FCC President Elect at kevin.ernst@terracon.com.

A Reminder from State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Surveyors

For the biennial renewal starting in November 2015, the Board would like to remind registrants Board policy allows up to a maximum of three (3) hours continuing professional development per year for the completion of correspondence courses (paper, online, or other formats) provided the course and the course provider meet the requirements of R.C. 4733.151.

Important- Do not confuse correspondence courses and online courses. Correspondence courses are courses that involve reading articles or other text and can be received by mail or online. Correspondence courses are typically self-paced and participation is not monitored by the provider. These types of courses are acceptable up to three hours per year.

Number of PDHs: 12.5, Type of Event: Conference
Topic: Business Development
Career Development
Ethics
Technical
Young Engineers
Event Location: Cleveland Airport Marriott
4277 W 150th St
Cleveland, Ohio 44135
Start Date: Friday, June 3, 2016 Start Time: 8:15 a.m.
End Date: Saturday, June 4, 2016 End Time: 5:45 p.m.
Details, see www.ohioengineer.com

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2016 CALENDAR

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May 16 5:00 p.m.  Deadline for June Columbus Engineer
May 19 6:30 p.m.  Officer Installation and Awards Program
June 2-4  OSPE Spring CPD Conference & Annual Meeting - Cleveland Airport Marriott
July (TBA)  FCC Budget Meeting  Location to be announced