President’s Message

My fellow members, I want to thank you all for an exciting year. Even with the cloud of losing our home, we still had a successful year. I especially want to thank my fellow members on the Executive Board who have worked hard to make this year happen. Engineer’s Week, the monthly lectures, running the PDC and chapter operations would not have been possible without them. I speak for all of the Executive Board when I say thank you for supporting our efforts. We are all looking forward to next year.

Bob LoPinto, PE is the current Chairman of the Professional Design Center of NY, Inc. (PDC) and has navigated the treacherous negotiations with the Parks Department. Bob has had a lot of help from many of our members and the architects to save our home. It appears that we may have a resolution to the situation and it will be discussed in detail at our June meeting.

The approach of summer also brings the NY State Society’s Annual Convention, which was held in Buffalo this year. There was opportunity for continuing education and a chance to meet our colleagues from around the state. We also had the NSPE treasurer, Russell C. Devick, P.E. talking with all. The state organization is the guardian of our license, watching and working closely with the state legislature to do just that. One action that Kelly Norris and Marc Kriss are working on is a good Samaritan law for engineers who respond to emergencies. More than 20 engineers who voluntarily responded to the World Trade Center attack are being sued for the injuries suffered by others.

The June meeting is our final meeting of the 2006/07 year before we break for summer. I wish all of you and your families a wonderful summer.
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Upcoming Meeting Information

**Our Next Chapter Meeting**

**Thursday, June 28th, 2007 – 6:30 PM**

Representatives of the Accardi Companies, a local combustion solutions company, will present a seminar which will entitle the attendee to 1 PDH credit.

**Location:**

422 Weaver Ave., Fort Totten, New York

2007 Chapter Meeting Schedule

**Mark Your Calendar**

For your convenience the Queens County Chapter NYSSPE meeting schedule is provided below.

Directors’ meetings and general meetings are held on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month except November and December meetings which will be held on the first and third Thursday of the month due to holidays. So mark your calendar. The schedule is as follows:

**Directors’ Meeting (6:30 PM)**

- September 13th
- October 11th
- November 1st
- December 6th

**Membership Meeting (6:30PM)**

- September 27th
- October 25th
- November 15th
- December 20th
Legislative Update

The Chapter along with other local engineering and design organizations and societies is supporting the reconsideration of legislation similar to New York City Council Resolution No. 0195-2006 introduced last year by Council Member Monserrate calling for the Mayor to create a Deputy Mayor for Infrastructure for the City of New York by Executive Order. This position will help bring centralized control of our entire infrastructure as well as improve the coordination of the major construction projects in the City of New York.

The Deputy Mayor of Infrastructure according to this legislation will be either a Professional Engineer (PE) or a Registered Architect (RA) and will report directly to the Mayor.

Salvatore Galletta, P.E., Legislative Committee Chair, recently made a presentation to Community Board 6 in support of a Deputy Mayor for Infrastructure. A copy of his powerpoint slides is attached in pdf format.
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