



NEWSLETTER **July 2017**

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President's Column

Hello SWEsters,

Welcome to July Newsletter of Columbia River Section! Hope everyone are enjoying the long awaited summer this year and had a good July 4th holiday!

As we begin FY18, I would like to thank the strong leadership and a successful year for our section from the FY17 Board. I myself have witnessed Professional development team and outreach teams coming together with some remarkable events past year.

July is the month of excitement, we begin with passion and energy to welcome new

members/officers; to build new relationships; set new goals, brainstorm on how to meet/beat these goals and plan a bunch of events. In each of these steps we would like to ensure we get as much feedback as possible from the members of the section. We plan on bringing accessible means of communication to encourage and plan the events in advance to facilitate active participation of the members. This Newsletter would be the primary communication to connect with all other proposed communication means for the year as they become available. I urge for each and every one of you to look out for this information and use it to reach out to inspire or be inspired from the Women Engineering community in Columbia River Section.

We will begin with a strategic planning meeting to transition the responsibilities from outgoing officers to the incoming officers for FY18 and plan for the year and beyond.

As you enjoy the summer stay connected with your SWE section and join the local SWE CRS events. I invite you to stop by the SWE booth at Washington County Fair,



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Please send articles, ideas and info for future newsletters. Comments and feedback are also appreciated.

Hillsboro on July 27th -30th. Please let us know of any events where we can be present to spread awareness on SWE or bring in an outreach or professional development event.

Also very happy to report the WE local18 (in APRIL 2018 at PORTLAND MARRIOTT) planning is going fabulously. We are closing on the call for key note speaker nomination on July 15th. Please reach out to us if you would like to self-nominate or nominate anyone you know of. Connect us with the local firms where SWE is not known for expanding the section membership across the new firms to mutually benefit each other.

It is my pleasure to welcome FY 18 Board and am honored to be art of such an amazing group. Together we will work towards another successful SWE year for Columbia River Section, as well as Society of Women Engineers.

Wish you lots of fun and family times until we meet and talk about the CRS FY18 goals in the next Newsletter.

Cheers,
Sireesha Akula
FY18 President
Columbia River Section
Society of Women Engineers.

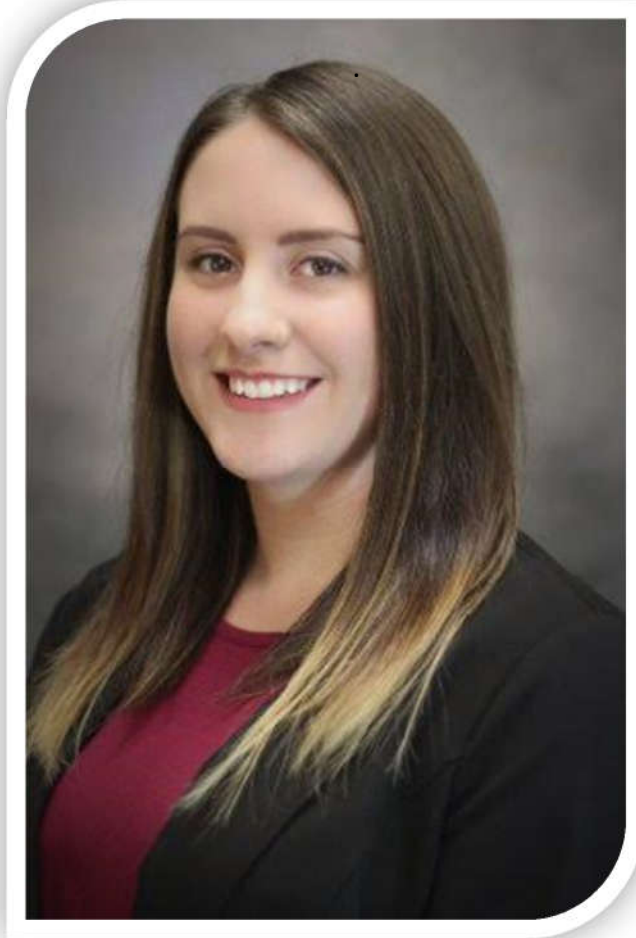
Announcements

SWE Scholarship winners

Congratulations to our two scholarship winners of the Coral Jean Cotterell Achievement Scholarship! Thank you to all who applied. Each of these successful young women will receive a \$1,000 scholarship to use towards continuing their education. The Columbia River Section is honored to help support our local community, and we look forward to getting to know these SWE members at the professional level soon!



Polina Polikakhina is a sophomore at Portland State where she studies Civil Engineering. She is passionate about transportation and long term, hopes to be a city planner. Currently, she is actively involved in SWE as the section Treasurer at her university.



Corinne DeForest, a junior in computer science at OIT Wilsonville, is focused on Health Informatics. She is actively involved in SWE and helps to plan many events such as TECHTalks, focused on “Technology, Engineering, Creativity and Health”, as well as K-12 outreach.

WE Local

It's official! Portland has been selected as one of Society of Women Engineers #WELocal host cities in 2018! The event will be held April 6-8, 2018 at the Portland Marriott Downtown Waterfront Hotel.

Stay tuned to welocal.swe.org for details on abstract submission and registration.



SWE Life Membership

Have you considered becoming a SWE Life Member? As a Life Member your SWE dues are waived in perpetuity.

To become a Life Member, you contribute \$2,000 to the SWE Endowment Fund Inc. - Headquarters Account

There are three plans available:

Plan A \$2,000 payable in cash when the contract is signed.

Plan B Readily marketable securities with a minimum value of the full life membership contract payable when the contract is signed.

Plan C Three-year contract:

\$500 payable in cash at the time the contract is signed;

\$500 payable in cash on each of the three successive contract anniversary dates.

If you are interested in checking this out, go to the SWE website:

<http://societyofwomenengineers.swe.org/index.php>

Select "Membership"

- "Types and Benefits"
- "Membership Types"
- "Life Membership"

SWE Milestone anniversaries

Years	First Nm	Last Nm	SWE Join Dt
55	Terry	Glenn	7/1/1952
35	Daria	Wightman	6/30/1982
30	Susan	McDermott	7/1/1987
25	Jane	Howell	6/30/1992
25	Nikki	Jones	7/1/1992
25	Ann	Simmons	7/1/1992
25	Anne	Wagner	7/1/1992
20	Laura	Kramer	6/30/1997
20	Ruth	Burris	7/1/1997
20	Jennifer	Kootstra	7/1/1997
15	Mary	Whalon	2/8/2002
10	Joanne	Hill	2/16/2007
10	Rachel	Dreilinger	5/10/2007
10	Stephanie	Chin	9/26/2007
10	Kerrin	Feather	10/1/2007
10	Carla	Todenhagen	11/5/2007
10	Wendy	Peterman	11/26/2007
10	Lakecia	Gunter	11/27/2007



Downtown Meet & Greet

Photo Courtesy: Nicole Zimmerman

Upcoming Meet and Greets

Vancouver, July
Wed. July 19 at 12 pm
Los Potrillos
1735 SE 192nd Ave
#101, Camas, WA 98607
<http://www.lospotrillosweb.com/lunch>
Please RSVP to
jennifer.kootstra@swe.org

Gresham, July
Wed July 26th
Bistro 23
5530 NE 122nd Ave,
Portland 97230
(503) 262-5200
Please RSVP to Ann
Simmons
ann.e.simmons@boeing.com

Gresham, August
Wed Aug 23
Applebee's
489 NW Burnside Rd.,
Gresham, OR
97030, (503) 666-2603
Please RSVP to Ann
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Collegiate Corner

Want to know about our Collegiate sections and their happenings? This is where you find out about them and how you can help! Every month we will be featuring updates and happenings from our collegiate sections so you can find out more about our SWE Collegiate sections.



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