President's Message: 2022 - Year of the Tiger

January 26, 2022

Happy New Year members, welcome to the Year of the Tiger!

As you're making and reviewing your personal, professional, and organizational goals for the year, I hope you are planning on deepening your Professional Society involvement, for you and your staff, in 2022. Involvement can start small, such as: creating your log- in on the <u>ASCE Pittsburgh website</u> to receive section emails and register for events, or attending just one ASCE section or institute event this quarter. Then keep the momentum going by becoming or renewing your ASCE membership (<u>ASCE Membership | ASCE</u>), networking with other professionals, and eventually grow your career by volunteering with an Institute or a leadership opportunity to develop your skills and expand your interests.

2022 kicked off in fine form with the Younger Member Forum Winter Banquet. Manager of Capital Projects at ALCOSAN and ASCE Pittsburgh board member Jeff Argyros gave an overview of the ALCOSAN Clean Water Plan, focusing on the plant expansion status and details. This in-person event was a long-anticipated opportunity for members to catch up face to face and dust off their networking skills while enjoying a fun night out!



YMF Winter Banquet Speaker Jeff Argyros

We are especially excited for February 19, when we'll host the much anticipated inperson Section Awards Banquet, celebrating our 2021 ASCE Pittsburgh Section Award recipients along with the Section's Student Award Foundation winners. We had numerous outstanding nominations this year for the project, people, and employer awards, and I want to thank all of those individuals who worked to put those nominations together, as well as the Nominations Committee for their tough job to whittle them down.

We are proud to recognize the amazing work and talent in this region, and I always look forward to mingling with the award winners and enjoying the meal at the Engineers' Society of Western PA. Join us for a memorable night featuring Keynote Speaker Mary Beth McGrew from the University of Pittsburgh. You'll find information about our 2021 winners in the Pittsburgh Business Times Engineers' Week Special Edition in February, and on our website. Sponsorship opportunities and registration for this year's Pittsburgh Section Awards Banquet are still open!

I'm looking forward to what 2022 will bring to the region, and I look forward to seeing you all at our upcoming events! And don't forgot when reviewing your yearly goals that the call for new ASCE Section Board and committee members will be coming in early Spring.

Thank you for your support,

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