



As Chair of the Richmond Joint Engineers' Council, I would like to take this opportunity to let you know how much we appreciate your support and membership.

As a paid member society, your delegate is entitled to attend and vote at our monthly meetings which are currently held on the 2nd Thu of every month from 6-8pm at various locations in the Richmond area (currently Positive Vibe Café – 2825 Hathaway Rd). The location may change month-to-month, so we will need to notify you by email; therefore, it is important that we have the correct email for contact. You may also check our web site www.rjec.org for updates (Facebook and Twitter are also now available). So that we can be sure the correct information is displayed on our web site, please send a reply email with your (1) local web page link and (2) the name and (3) email address of your society's RJEC delegate

Also as a paid member, we will be happy to **promote your society's events** on the RJEC web site if you will notify us 30 days in advance as to the activity, date, time, location, and contact person. These should be events which are open and you wish to promote to other technical and professional society members in the greater Richmond Area. It would also be appreciated if you arrange to link your web site to ours, just as we have linked to your web site.

We will be shortly soliciting **nominations** for our annual **Engineer of the Year** and **Community Service** Awards and would welcome any suggestions your society might wish to make.

Engineers Week next year will be held February 19-25, 2012, and as always, we will be having our banquet and awards ceremony to celebrate this event.

We also would encourage your society to begin plans for participating in the Annual **Career Day** to be held at the Science Museum of VA on Sunday, February 19th. We have found in the past that interactive displays and contests, such as the Egg Drop and Bridge Building, are most effective and would encourage your group to begin thinking what they might do to attract the youth of our region to technical and engineering professions.

I look forward to your continued active participation in the RJEC. Also, I hope to have an opportunity in the near future to attend one of your meetings and hear your members' ideas and concerns to help make RJEC even better.

Very truly yours,
Mike Howell, PE, RJEC Chair 2011-2012
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