



# NYSATE



## Section 10 Newsletter

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## Engineer of the Year

Please join the Local Board of Directors in congratulating Janine Parks for being selected as Section 10's 2010 Engineer of the Year! Janine will be our guest of honor at a luncheon on Friday, April 30 at the Irish Coffee House in Islip from 1:00pm to 4:00pm. If you would like to attend, call Margaret Conklin at 631-952-6929 (day time) or 631-669-0889 (evening), Karen Taylor (631) 952-6014, or Adam Levine at (718) 482-4588, **by April 23<sup>rd</sup>**. The cost is \$25 for members; \$35 for non-members. You may pay at the door only if you make a reservation by April 23. Janine is a finalist for Statewide EOY and will be honored at the Engineer of the Year Banquet at this year's NYSATE Conference at the Desmond Hotel in Albany on May 20.

## Conference 2010

The 70<sup>th</sup> Annual NYSATE Conference, *Heritage and Innovation*, will be held at the Desmond Hotel and Conference Center in Albany from May 18 to 21. Section 11, Main Office, has so many things planned for us. The classes (over 30) are varied in subjects including climate change, pedestrian safety, incident management, bridge projects, asset management and much more. Numerous classes will be given that have continuing education credits. The Ice Breaker will

be on Tuesday; and some social events each evening. On Thursday night, NYSATE will be honoring the Engineers of the Year at a banquet where the Statewide Engineer of the Year will be announced!

If you want up-to-the-minute information, check out Facebook "NYSATE Conference 70". This is a great way to network.

Please go to [www.nysate.org](http://www.nysate.org) under the Conference Section to find out more details.

If you would like to be a delegate and represent Section 10 at this year's conference, please contact Margaret Conklin. To be a delegate you must agree to the following: you must attend class each day you are at the conference, you must attend the Engineer of the Year Banquet and you must attend at least two days of the conference. Please note we have lifted the restriction that you must stay at the conference hotel.

## Scholarships

Applications are now available for the NYSATE Section 10 Members / Dependent Scholarship Program for 2010. Please contact Nancy O'Connell (NYMTC), Bill Thornewell (Region 10), Margaret Conklin (Region 10), Adam Levine (Region 11), or log onto the NYSATE Website under Section 10 News ([www.nysate.org](http://www.nysate.org)) for applications.

Dependent scholarships are available for children / wards of a member (active, affiliated, associate, or adjunct) of NYSATE in this local section who have an unbroken membership for a period of two years preceding the application for scholarship,

and keep their membership paid up during the tenure of the scholarship; or a child of a deceased member who would have been eligible if the parent were living. This program is for high school seniors or graduates under the age of 25 enrolled in an accredited college for the Fall 2010 semester. Selection will be based on scholastic achievements, community involvement, and other merits.

In addition we give up to ten \$100 College scholarships to NYSATE Section 10 members for the 2010 scholastic year to be used by the recipient at an accredited school for Engineering or Transportation related studies. To qualify you must be a member (active, affiliated, associate, or adjunct) of NYSATE in this local section. Such member shall be in good standing and have an unbroken membership for a period of two years preceding the application for scholarship, and keep their membership paid up during the tenure of the scholarship. Selection will be by lottery.

All applications must be submitted to the local N.Y.S.A.T.E. Screening Committee no later than Friday April 30, 2010.

## Holiday Card

The NYSATE Section 10 Holiday Card raised \$1,870 for our scholarship program. 88 members donated for the card, and a hearty thank you is given to each of you.

## Holiday Parties

195 Section 10 members attended the three holiday parties held by NYMTC, Region 10, and Region 11. Section 10 contributed \$9 to each member who attended one of the parties.

## Worker's Memorial Garden

Worker's Memorial will be Monday, April 26 at 9:30am in the Worker's Memorial Garden. We will have spring clean up Monday, April 12 through Wednesday, April 14. We'll be cleaning the garden after work, but feel free to do some during your lunch or break times!

We are also looking for donations of plants. If you are cleaning out your garden and splitting "hosta" or other plants, let Karen Taylor or Rich Gass know. We would love to transplant some of your garden material into ours. Planting day is scheduled for Earth Day (April 22).

## Bring Your Future to Work

Region 11 will once again sponsor "Bring Your Future to Work Day" on April 22, 2010 in order for our children to experience a day at their parents' workplace.

This year's program will highlight what we do here at DOT and also how we can teach our kids safety on the road when they are in their parent's vehicle, riding a school bus, or riding a bicycle. The program is geared towards children from age 7 to 15 and the children must be related to an employee. Consent forms must be returned to Judith Peter by April 16.

## Training

Section 10 is continuing its training program for P.E. and L.A. continuing education credits. If you want to be on an e-mail notification please let Margaret Conklin know.

## Digital Photography Contest



Section 10 is hosting the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Digital Photography Contest and in our first year, 47 photos were submitted by our NYSATE members (or a dependent of a NYSATE member). The Board voted for their top 10 pictures and posted them on our web site for YOU to vote on! Please visit [www.NYSATE.org](http://www.NYSATE.org), then click on Section 10 NYC/Long Island to vote for your favorite picture. Be sure to cast your vote by April 29. Winners will be announced at this year's Engineer of the Year Luncheon on Friday April 30. Remember: 1<sup>st</sup> prize is \$50, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize is \$30 and 3<sup>rd</sup> prize is \$20. Once prizes are awarded, all 47 of the submitted photos (including the top three) will be posted for viewing.

Thanks to all who submitted photos in our 1<sup>st</sup> Digital Photography Contest! We are looking forward to receiving more entries next year.