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### President's Message

#### By George Tavoulareas, P.E. President <u>gltpe@msn.com</u>

This year's Mathcounts competition was a huge success. I want to thank Past Chapter President **Bob LoPinto**, PE for all of his efforts in making the competition a success. Year in and year out Bob organizes and makes the competition a success. Thank you Bob for all of your help. I also want to thank **John Sgouros**, **Brian Flynn**, **Chris Petallides** and all the students and teachers who made the competition a huge success.

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 I attended the Metropolitan Engineering Societies Council (MESC) annual dinner at NYU-Polytechnic with Chapter VP Richard
 Berkenfeld, PE, Chris Petallides, PE, Sal Galetta, PE and John Sgouros, PE. This annual dinner celebrates Engineer's week with the reading of the Mayor's Proclamation.

> I am pleased to announce that the state's new Executive Director, **Anthony Fasano**, PE will attend our meeting and will discuss his plan for growing the NYSSPE utilizing both online and offline efforts. Topics discussed will include strategic planning, our new technological network, and website and more. Anthony will also discuss current legislative issues facing New York PEs.

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Ari Georgalis, Director of Engineering Audits for NYC DEP, Sal Galletta, PE and MESC chairman Wasyl Kinach, PE during the reading of the Mayor's Proclamation

### Next General Membership Meeting

The next general membership meeting will be held on Thursday February 28, 2013 at 6:15pm. at 422 Weaver Ave in Ft. Totten, NY.

No admission fee

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### Mathcounts

The Oueens Chapter - NYSSPE annual MATHCOUNTS Competition was held on Saturday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, at Junior High School 189, in Flushing. Ten schools from Oueens registered in the MATHCOUNTS Program competed in the competition. MATHCOUNTS is a Math skills building and competition for 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade students, sponsored by the National Society of Professional Engineers, the CNA Foundation, Raytheon Company, US Dept. of Defense, Northrop Grumman Foundation, 3M Foundation, Texas Instruments, Art of Problem Solving, Conoco Phillips, NextThought and the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics. Competitions are held at the local Chapter level, followed by a State competition. The top individuals from the State competition then compete at the Raytheon National Competition, which is being held in Washington, DC this year. The top winners of the National Competition can win college scholarships. Teams of 4 students and up to 6 individuals from the schools spent about 4 hours taking various written and oral tests. There was a 40 minute, 30 question written individual test, followed by four sets of two written questions to be answered in 6 minutes for each set. This was followed by a 20 minute, 10-question team test, where the 4 team members worked together to answer the questions. Then, the top individuals competed in an Oral Countdown Round, where 2 students had 45 seconds to answer questions. The winner of the round then competed against the next individual until the winning round.

The Queens Chapter Team Winners were:

1ST PLACE MS 67- LOUIS PASTEUR MS COACH: ZACHARY BOYT **RAYMOND CHEN** VICKY HUANG JONGYOUL LEE HWAN KYU SONG COACH: MARY RANDOLPH 2ND PLACE JHS 190- RUSSEL SAGE JHS ERIC CAO **EVELYN GOTLIEB** JENA YUN ZICHENG ZHEN 3RD PLACE MS 158- MARIE CURIE MS COACH: FREDDY SAMPSON **KENNETH LI** JOHN REAGAN STEVEN WONG JOEL YE

The top Individual Winners were:

RANK 1	INDIVIDUAL Morgan Sun	SCHOOL MS 74
2	Hwan Kyu Song	MS 67
3	Joel Ye	MS 158
4	Zicheng Zhen	JHS 190
5	Evelyn Gotlieb	JHS 190
6	Jena Yun	JHS 190
7	Vicky Huang	MS 67
8	SanG Hyeon Hong	MS 74
9	Steven Wong	MS 158

The Oral Countdown Round Winners were:

RANK	INDIVIDUAL	SCHOOL
1	Hwan Kyu Song	MS 67
2	Morgan Sun	MS 74
3	Joel Ye	MS 158

The competitions went off without a hitch, thanks to the help of the Team Coaches, and the Professional Engineer Chapter volunteers. At the end of the competition, an awards ceremony was held, and the trophies and other awards were presented to the Queens Chapter winners by Past Chapter President **Brian Flynn**, PE. **Robert A. LoPinto**, PE, Past Queens Chapter President and MATHCOUNTS Coordinator set up the day's events and ran the Countdown competition. Chapter Members Bryan Flynn, PE, **Ashwani Khanna**, PE, **John Sgouros**, PE, and **Chris Petallides**, PE assisted in the competition, along with Brian's friend **Mary**, and a VolunteerMatch.org volunteer **Neha Gujarati**. All in all, it was an enjoyable morning for all involved. The top three teams now move on to the State Competition in March. Good Luck!

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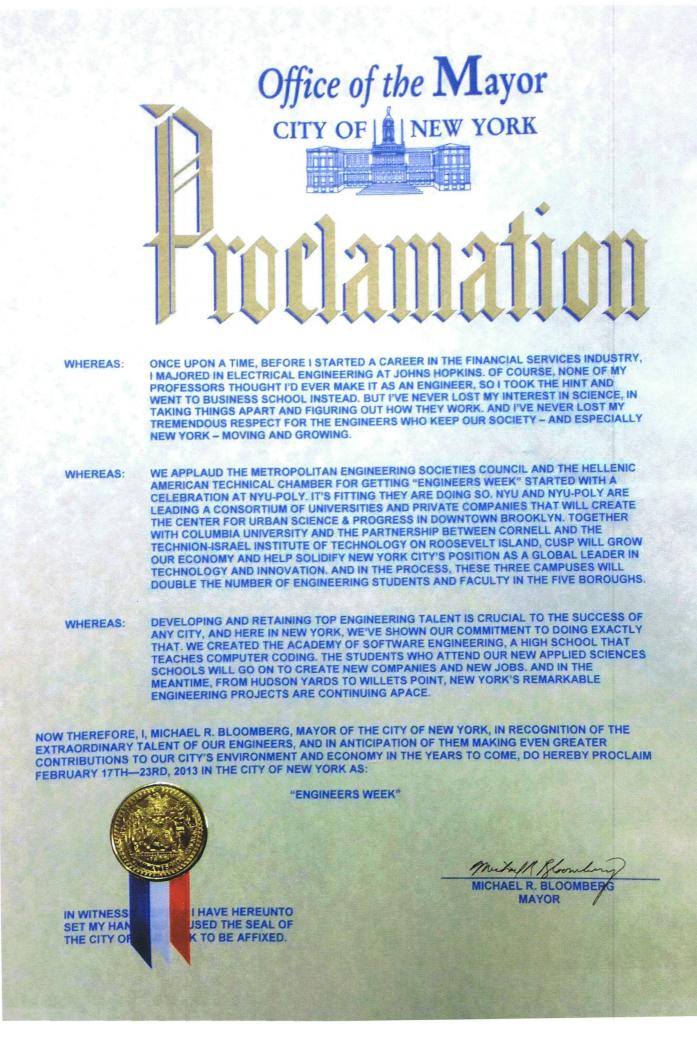
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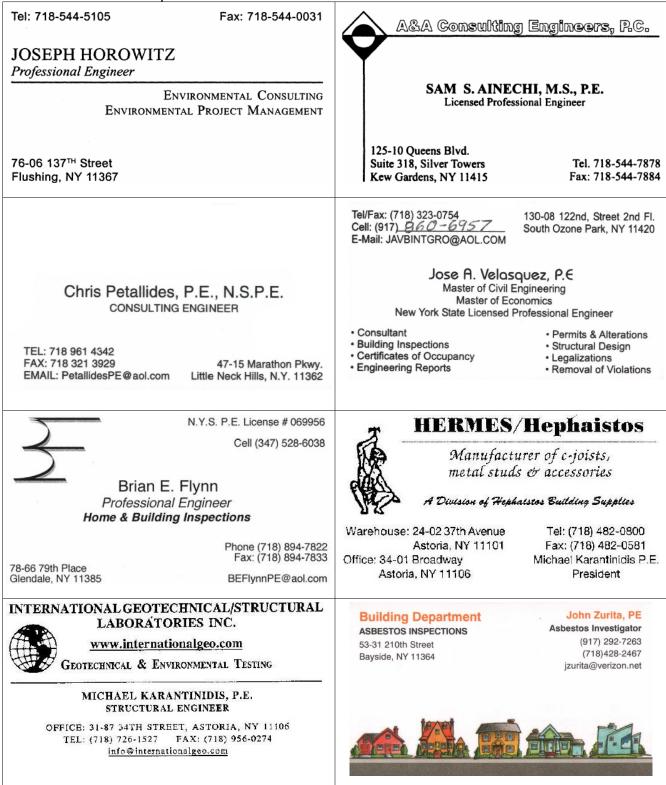


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