

# 愛城華人工程師學會

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## What's New

FOR THE MEMBERS

TO THE MEMBERS

BY THE MEMBERS

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### *THE REMINDER*

#### Renewal of membership

Has the membership renewal invoice been sitting in the corner of your desk since January? Time to take action, send in your renewal fees and continue your support for the Society. Any questions, give Yun Chen, P.Eng. VP of membership or any of the executives a call.

### *UPCOMING EVENTS*

#### 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Banquet and Dance

The 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary banquet and dance will be held on Saturday, April 25, 1998 at Marco Polo Restaurant starting at 6:000 p.m. The executives have worked hard to provide you a fruitful evening. The event is the biggest event of the Edmonton Chinese Engineers Society in a year. We are honoured that Mr. John McDougall, P. Eng., Chief Executive Officer of Alberta Research Council will be our featured speaker this year. Mr. McDougall's featured speech will be "Technology Commercialization and the Role of the Alberta Research Council". We all know how important it is to have markets for technical inventions and the long history ARC has had in Edmonton, Alberta and its contribution to Alberta and Canada. It should be noted that Mr. McDougall has supported ECES throughout the years and has been our society's Director-at-Large since our formation five years ago.

As in previous years, representatives from the three levels of government, APEGGA and members of the Edmonton Chinese communities have been invited to the event. Come out with your spouse and colleagues to support the event. So, call any of the executives listed at the end of this newsletter and let him know the number of tickets you need. A table can be reserved if you have 10 people together. Cost of ticket is \$25/ person.

#### *MEETING NOTES*

## **February 9, 1998 Technical Dinner Meeting**

Daniel Woo, P. Eng. of Environment Canada talked about “Federal Environmental Legislation and Fuels Regulation”. The talk presented the audience with information how the Government and the industry are cooperating to ensure a healthy environment for all of us.

## **March 9, 1998 Technical Meeting**

Close to 30 members braved the cold night to attend the meeting. Allan Kwan, P. Eng. of Alberta Transportation and Utilities talked about “Re-engineering and Design of Construct Processes”. Mr. Kwan touched on the process of how the AT&U re-engineered its entire engineering and construction processes.

## ***MEMBERSHIP NEWS***

### **Scholarship**

ECES will be awarding a scholarship this year to a first year student (member or non-member) enrolled in the University of Alberta's Faculty of Engineering. To apply, write to the society's address above or e-mail to Scholarship Selection Committee chairman, Chris Chan, P. Eng.

### **Welcome new members:**

Welcome Celina Duong, E.I.T. and Cuong Vuong, E.I.T. Celina is a recent chemical engineering graduate and Cuong is a recent mechanical engineering graduate. We welcome this new young blood. They have already volunteered to help for the 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

### **Other news:**

- APEGGA's engineering students/ professional members pizza & pop mixer, March 5, 1998 - Daniel Woo, Chuan Kua, Phillip Choi represented ECES in the above get-together with the students and other APEGGA technical society representatives. It was a good networking event.
- U of A China Week, March 2, 1998 - ECES sponsored U of A's Chinese Students Association for the event.
- Hong Yan Powell Benefit Concert April 18, 1998 at 8 p.m. at the Winspear Centre - The proceeds from the concert goes to the Canadian Cancer Society. Mrs. Hong Yan Powell is an established music teacher and has appeared in numerous performances. Call the Winspear Centre ticket office at 428-1414 or Robert Powell at 440-7772 for tickets to support such a worthwhile course.

If you have any news you want to share with other members, or if you have changed your address or fax number or recently acquired e-mail capability, advise the executives when they call you.

## ***CAREER CORNER***

### **Opportunities available:**

- We received via Internet from the Canadian Institute of Planning regarding a vacancy for one of its members. Mandarin speaking ability is a plus. Contact D. Woo if you are aware of anyone interested.
- An engineer with geotechnical/geoenvironmental experience is required. Contact Ron Lau at end of newsletter for details.

The following web sites contain opportunities. It is worthy to check them out periodically.

Public Service Commission:

<http://www.psc-cfp.gc.ca/recruit/cfp1e.htm>

Federal summer student program: <http://www.psc-cfp.gc.ca/recruit/fswepl1e.htm>  
 Canada Employment Weekly: <http://www.mediacorp2.com/>  
 Nortel Employment <http://www.careermosaic.com/cm/nortel/>  
 Hong Kong Standard technical/engineering <http://jobmarket.hkstandard.com/online/job/english/post/eptech.htm>

***DO YOU KNOW THAT.....***

(We are using this space to share noteworthy information, especially news items dealing with engineering and Asia Pacific commerce. Let the Executives know via phone or e-mail if you catch any news in newspapers or technical journals)

**Prime Minister’s address to Wall Street executives (Glob & Mail 98-03-04, page A4)**

-that for a three course meal, the ticket was \$195 per ticket. Our anniversary ticket price is a bargain. We will have nine courses.

**Stanley wins \$1.5 M deal for bridge project (Edmonton Journal 98-01-20)**

-A Stanley Technology Group firm –Ontario based ITX Stanley is developing a computer software and engineering design based Bridge Management System for the Ontario Ministry of Transportation. --- “This is the first system that ties it all together,” Trillo (Stanley’s President) said. The company lays claim to the most advanced and sophisticated process in the world, rather than modification of an existing system.

**Chinese now third language in Canada (Edmonton Journal 97-12-3, page A9)**

-Chinese has become the fastest growing language and has displaced Italian as the third most common language spoken at home, Statistics Canada reports. Is it not time to start mandarin. If you are interested, let Daniel Woo know. He is trying to set up a class “mandarin for Cantonese speaking professionals” if enough members are interested.

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