# Saskatoon Engineering Society Sep 1, 2014 – Aug 31, 2015

Annual Report to Members

By

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# President's Annual Report to Membership Sep 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Saskatoon Engineering Society

We had a great team of volunteers that helped carry out the duties on the Executive this year. My thanks go to the entire executive:

### 2014/2015 Executive Committee

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The society carried on operations by the guidance of the executive committee, and instructions we had from our members.

# Important events from September 2014-August 2015

**Strategic Planning** was our biggest project in 2014-15. The Strategic Planning Committee put in hours and hours of work to get our Strategic Plan together. We could not have done without Julie Jones our consultant who skilfully led us through the process. We are proud of what we accomplished and now it is a work in progress to get the plan implemented. We are looking forward to moving this forward for our organization. Thanks again to all that provided input.

**SES Mixers and Technical Nooners** were held throughout the year at various establishments throughout the city. The largest event was the Christmas Mixer at Boffins in December. Attendance seemed to be growing at mixers this year. Thanks to Cathy Starkell for organizing the mixers and to Jonathan Bushman who organized most of the nooners.

## **Student Paper and Design Competition Night**

The 2015 Engineering Innovative Design and Student Paper Competitions were held at Marquis Hall at the University of Saskatchewan. This event is jointly organized by SES (Saskatoon Engineering Society) and College of Engineering (Univ. of Saskatchewan). Sponsored by SES (Saskatoon Engineering Society), College of Engineering (Univ. of Saskatchewan), Office of the Vice-President Research (University of Saskatchewan) & APEGS. Thanks to Grant Ferguson for organizing this event this year.

## **National Engineering Week**

As a part of National Engineering Week, the Saskatoon Engineering Society was proud to host our annual 2015 ICE Event (Industry Celebrating Excellence) at the Saskatoon Club. A special thanks to Cathy Starkell for leading the organization of this event. Thanks also to Ashok Thakkar for organizing industry tours during National Engineering Week.

#### Website

The SES website has been regularly updated to help promote upcoming events.

## **Professional Development Funding**

This initiative continued this year. It is a way to help individual members in their professional development. The guidelines were set up so that members could be reimbursed up to \$500 for their continuing education. Although this has not been fully utilized, we hope that additional members can plan to take advantage of this funding.

#### 2015 Awards

- SES Educator of the Year –Rick Retzlaff
- SES Engineer of the Year Rick Kullman

#### Members and Executive

The activity that the SES had this year would not be possible without the members that provided input and attended our events. Thanks go to the APEGS staff that support our activities and help notify members of our activities. I thank the members for the opportunity to represent them as President for the past year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Doug Drever, FEC P.Eng. 2014 - 2015 President Saskatoon Engineering Society