Dear Friends,

At last, spring is officially here! Many have experienced a harsh winter, but we are now ready for warm weather activities.

With spring comes new beginnings and not just the ones provided by Mother Nature. Sometimes with the new comes change.

For the Auxiliary it is the start of our scholarship season. We will be reviewing the Undergraduate Scholarship applications using a new method. At our Annual Meeting in June, we will become more familiar with what that involves. Our goal remains the same, providing the engineering applicant with the best scholarship for him or her.

I can never put enough emphasis on what the Auxiliary volunteers accomplish. This spring I would like to focus on those who are readers for the various scholarships. These individuals provide the first step in the evaluation process. Do you realize how important your input is? I want to thank each of you for your interest, dedication, and time.

As a teacher, I always enjoyed hearing from my graduates. How were they succeeding in their careers? Were they continuing their education? What were their interests? Today, I look forward to learning about our scholarship winners.

Emily Stern, a 2012 FIRST Clarke Scholarship winner, is a junior at Boston University. In addition to her classes and campus activities, Emily mentors a FIRST team. What a wonderful way for her to give back to young people.

Emily’s story makes the Auxiliary’s efforts so worth while!

Read more about Emily Stern in this issue of PIPELINE.

There is one more special thank you. It goes to RuthAnn Bigley and David Soukup, ASME Staff. You help us in many ways and you are appreciated.

I look forward to seeing you at our Annual Meeting and the Auxiliary Luncheon, June 9, 2015. This year it will be held at the Sawgrass Marriott Golf Resort and Spa in Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida.

Warm regards,

Benetta B. Cook
ASME Auxiliary President

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Guest Luncheon

Tuesday June 9, 2015
1:00 pm to 3:00 pm
$40.00
Sawgrass Marriott Golf Resort and Spa

Guest Speaker
ASME Past President Susan Skemp

“Blue - the new energy.”
ABRIDGED MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 18, 2014

The National Board Meeting of the ASME Auxiliary in Montreal Canada was called to order by President Benetta Cook at 8:30 AM on November 18, 2014. There were seventeen (17) members and eleven (11) guests in attendance. The Committee paused for a moment of silence for deceased members and special intentions. Motions were made to accept the agenda and the minutes of the June 2014 meetings.

All officers of the Auxiliary continue to fulfill their duties as needed.

The Treasurer’s Report showed a balance of $1,399,928.44 on of July 1, 2014 and a balance of $1,281,022.36 on September 30, 2014.

Ed Seiders is our new Student Loan Treasurer and Rajan Menon is our Student Loan Fund Chair. The Student Loan Fund had a balance of $305,360.81 as of September 30, 2014 less $73,281.08 in outstanding loans. New documents have been developed that will assist in processing the requests, payments and collections of loans.

There were ten (10) Undergraduate Scholarships for the 2014/2015 academic year, two (2) Rothermel Scholarships (Master’s degree) and three (3) Parsons Scholarships (Doctoral) for 2014/2015. The Rice Cullimore Scholarship (Foreign Graduate) gave two (2) scholarships for the 2014/2015 academic year. Five (5) Lucy & Charles W.E. Clarke Scholarships were awarded. The schools awarded were North Carolina State University, Oral Roberts University, South Dakota School of Mines and Technology, University of Florida, and the University of Illinois at Chicago. The ASME Auxiliary’s FIRST Clarke Scholarship was awarded to four (4) high school students.

The ASME Foundation will no longer be partnering with the Auxiliary in the Clarke Scholarship program. Therefore, the Lucy and Charles W. E. Clarke Scholarship for ASME Student Sections will be sunnetted once all scholarship checks have been cleared. The Auxiliary’s FIRST Clarke Scholarship, for high school seniors participating on a FIRST team, will now be called the Lucy and Charles W. E. Clarke Scholarship. A motion was made and carried to award ten FIRST scholarships in the 2015/2016 academic year.

RuthAnn Bigley provided an itemized list of expenses for preparing and sending out certificates to scholarship winners. She suggested that the certificates be sent to recipients via email unless there is an in person presentation. A motion to forgo sending hard copy certificates passed the assembly.

A motion was made to approve the new scholarship honoring James and Carolyn Chenoweth proposed by Cindi Pool. This motion was seconded and passed the assembly.

All current officers of the Auxiliary have agreed to run in June 2015.

President Sims thanked the Auxiliary for their dedication to engineering students and spoke on new important programs such as Advanced Manufacturing, 3D Printing and robotics in the medical field. President-Elect Julio Guerrero spoke on the global impact of engineering and Immediate Past President Madiha Kotb thanked the Auxiliary for the excellent job of getting young people involved with engineering. ASME Executive Director Thomas Loughlin thanked the Auxiliary on behalf of the Staff of ASME for all the hard work they do in providing scholarships to engineering students. He said that ASME is in a strong financial position and ASME is out in front with the changes in the engineering community.

The meeting was adjourned.
Biographical Sketches of Candidates for National Office
2015-2016

President

Benetta Cook - Benetta is a Life Member of the ASME Auxiliary. A graduate of Oklahoma State University and the University of North Texas. Benetta was Vice President of the Canaveral (FL) ASME Auxiliary Section. Since 2007, she has been active as Vice President MAL, Chair of Membership Expansion, and a reader for the FIRST scholarship competition. She is a recipient of a 2012 ASME Dedicated Service Award. Her professional background covers 27 years in the education field and 8 in retail management. She was Director of the Fashion Group, Dallas (TX) Region in 1996; President of the United Methodist Women of her church from 2004-2007; and currently a Sunday school teacher. Benetta is secretary of the 30WALK—a non-profit organization to raise money to fight breast cancer. She is an artist, a member of the Georgia Mountain Writer's Club, and a published author. Recently she became a member of the Old Unicoi Trail Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Georgia Auxiliary of the Sons of the American Revolution. She is the mother of 3, grandmother of 13, and great grandmother of 3.

Executive Vice President

Linda Sims - Linda attended Marietta College, majoring in Biology and later attended Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, majoring in Interior Design. While there, she served on the Board of the Association for Gifted and Talented Students as both of her children were in that program. She was President of the Woodland Ridge Garden Club in Baton Rouge 1977 to 1978. Linda did the design for her home on Cape Cod in 1972 and for a major addition to her current home in Basking Ridge in 2005. She was the Somerset County Coordinator for the Reach to Recovery program of the American Cancer Society. She was President of the Basking Ridge Garden Club from 2004 to 2006 and graduated in the class of 2010 of New Jersey Master Gardeners of the Rutgers Extension Service. Linda worked on landscape plans for two Habitat for Humanity houses in New Jersey and had a leading role in the design of the Master Gardener’s tent, which won the best non-commercial tent award at the 2012 Somerset County 4H fair. She is a Life Member of the ASME Auxiliary.

Vice President

Jennifer Jewers Bowlin – Jen is a life member of the ASME Auxiliary. She joined ASME as an undergraduate student at Texas Christian University (TCU). "My professors encouraged me to join ASME. It's part of being a professional in the engineering business. I was active in my student district and was elected district representative, which gave me a chance to travel to different conferences," she recalls. "After grad school, I ran society level conferences and really enjoyed the work. I decided to run for committee chair and got on a board. I had really great mentors. I love being an early career member." She is a member of the Kate Gleason Award Committee of the ASME Foundation and an Archimedes Club Member. Jen is a recipient of the 2008 ASME Old Guard Early Career Award. Mrs. Jewers Bowlin is a graduate of TCU (B.S.) and Purdue University (M.S.), and is a licensed professional engineer. She designs supermarket refrigeration systems for Wal-Mart stores as an engineer with Henderson Engineers, Inc. (HEI). When consumers reach into a refrigerated case to grab ice cream at Wal-Mart, she is the architect of the design of the system to keep food cold and safe. She helps ensure that refrigeration systems are designed for optimal performance and maximum energy efficiency. Through her work with refrigeration from the processing, storage, and sales aspects, she understands the impact and importance of refrigeration systems on food safety and quality. Jen is married and has a son.
Corresponding Secretary

Vatsala Menon – Vatsala is currently a teacher in the St. Paul School system. For more than ten years, she has been teaching at the Webster Magnet school in St. Paul. She received her Master’s degree in education from the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul, Minnesota. Prior to becoming a teacher in St. Paul, she was with the State Farm insurance company. Her work in State Farm was in Claims administration and involved interaction with both agents and clients. In addition to the work in the insurance area, she was also a teacher for more than 5 years in a multicultural school in Twin Cities. After completing her undergraduate degree, she obtained her teaching certification and was a teacher in both middle and high school programs. Besides being an avid gardener, Vatsala’s hobbies include reading and traveling.

Treasurer

Stella Seiders – Stella was born in Tehran, Iran and raised in many places overseas. She has a BA in Liberal Arts from Alhikma University (affiliated with Boston College), and an MBA from the University of Tulsa. She is an Enrolled Agent (EA), registered with IRS, and has worked for H&R Block Premium for over 25 years preparing corporate and individual tax returns. She has a son and a daughter. Her husband, Ed has been a member of ASME since college and they were involved with the ASME Petroleum Division. She became a member of the Auxiliary in 1997. She has been the editor of the Auxiliary Pipeline for two years and Executive Vice President. She attended a number of ASME sponsored technical conferences with her husband. Stella enjoys doing volunteer work at her

Student Loan Fund Treasurer

Ed Seiders - has been a member of ASME since his student days in 1961 at Drexel University (Drexel Institute of Technology) in Philadelphia. He has a BSME from Drexel and an MBA from the University of Tulsa. He served two years in the Peace Corps in Iran (1967-1969) and after his Peace Corps service worked for 4 years for a consulting engineering firm in Tehran. He and his wife, Stella, moved to Tulsa, Oklahoma in 1973 and, except for brief periods, have lived there to the present. They have two adult children and two grandchildren. Ed has worked for Willbros Engineers for over 35 years, and has extensive international travel as part of that position. In ASME Ed has held positions on the local Mid-Continent Section Executive Committee, has chaired the ASME Petroleum Division and the ASME Pipeline Systems Division, has been Vice President of the ASME IPTI, and has been a member of the Board of Governors (2010 to 2013). He is currently active in the organization of the International Pipeline Conference and on the Executive Committee of the Petroleum Division.
THE ASME AUXILIARY
NOMINEES FOR THE 2015-2016 FISCAL YEAR

To vote for the present candidates, simply leave the ballot blank.

Write in candidate

PRESIDENT: BENETTA COOK

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MAL VICE PRESIDENT: JENNIFER JEWERS BOWLIN

RECORDING SECRETARY: ELLA BALDWIN-VIERECK

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: VATSALA MENON

TREASURER: STELLA SEIDERS

STUDENT LOAN TREASUER: ED SEIDERS

Please sign the outside of the ballot envelope according to the constitution and bylaws of the ASME Auxiliary. If you are concerned about security, simply put the ballot envelope with the ballot inside into an additional envelope, address it and send it that way. This preserves security and the secret ballot. Return by May 23, 2015.

Sincerely, Ella Baldwin-Viereck, Nominating Committee Chair
Please tear out this page and return it in the envelope provided.

Thank you.
The ASME Auxiliary, Inc.
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Dues, July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016

Member-at-Large ($25.00) $ ________
(not applicable for current Life Members)
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Contributions—tax deductible $ ________
(for the Auxiliary Scholarships and Loan Programs)
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Kindly make checks payable to: ASME Auxiliary, Inc.
Send to: Stella Seiders
          Treasurer
          3152 S. Rockford Drive
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Auxiliary Luncheon Guests

The Auxiliary Luncheon was a wonderful event this past November. The Auxiliary was honored to have ASME’s Immediate Past President Madiha Kotb and Genevieve Noel-De-Tilly as guest speakers.

Their presentation was titled “The Diary of a Boiler Inspector”. Both ladies added fun and humor to their presentation as they explained the importance of boiler and pressure vessel inspection in order to keep communities safe from explosions. Ms. Noel-De-Tilly explained a typical day as a Boiler Inspector and shared with the guests many of the tools and equipment she uses each day as an inspector.

Pictured L-R, Benetta Cook, Mahida Kotb, Linda Sims, and Genevieve Noel-De-Tilly
Emily Stern 2012 FIRST Clarke Scholarship Recipient

A letter received from Emily.

“Hello RuthAnn it is great to hear from you. I’m currently a junior at Boston University studying mechanical engineering. I am part of Tau Beta Pi and Pi Tau Sigma, which are both engineering honor societies, as well as the Society of Women Engineers (SWE) and ASME. In addition to those groups, I am an Inspiration Ambassador, part of the Technology Innovation Scholars Program, where I inspire K-12 students in the greater Boston area about engineering.

Yes, I am DEFINITELY still involved with FIRST! I have been mentoring FIRST team 246, Overclocked, since my freshman year. This year has been amazing for our team, we have been given great resources from BU and they have really helped develop our team to even greater achievements then before! So far we are Nashua District semi-finalists, Reading Champions, and Dartmouth Finalists. At each of these events, our robot, Scorpion, won a different design award. I have been able to develop great relationships with each student. I’m interning this summer with GE Aviation in Lynn, MA. Last summer I worked with GE Aviation in Baltimore with the Materials Research and Development Team on the Boeing 747-8. It was a really cool experience and I learned so much. The most important lessons are time management and learning how to find answers to unanswerable questions. Currently, my passion is vibrations. I’m taking a course in vibrations right now and I love it. It is jam packed with differential equations and understanding how everyday objects move. Well, with one more year left of school, I am planning to apply to GE Aviation’s Engineering Edison Leadership Development Rotational Program. It is a 3 year program where I would rotate between different engineering roles, get a masters in engineering and travel to different leadership conferences. The reason I want to do the rotational program first is it will provide a lot of different engineering experiences in a short period of time. In the long term, I want to get my Ph.D. and teach. It was so nice to hear from you and I want to thank the ASME Auxiliary for their generous scholarship.”