Dear Friends,

I want to take this opportunity to thank the nominating committee for nominating me to serve as your President and thank you all for allowing me to do so. I am humbled by the opportunity and will try to live up to the trust and responsibility you have reposed in me. I will be guided by the high standards set by my predecessors.

I served the ASME Auxiliary as the Chair of the Undergraduate Scholarship Committee for about a decade and have attended most of the Auxiliary meetings. This has provided me the opportunity to know several past officers and benefactors of the ASME Auxiliary. As I reviewed scholarship applications, I also came to know many exceedingly bright young people. I feel pretty safe with our future in their hands. I also believe that the quality of life will improve under their leadership. I recently travelled through many countries in Europe. I just wondered at the marvel of engineering as I rode the cogwheel train and gondola through the steep hills of Jungfraujoch and Pilatus in Switzerland. I also wondered how different it would be to travel from Hartford to Zurich in absence of the aircrafts and air travel we have taken for granted. In this context, I am also amazed at the foresight of our donors who have provided resources to our organization to encourage future engineers. We donate some but we need to do more for continued improvement of health, welfare and the safety of mankind.

This brings me to our membership and leadership pools that need work. During the last year alone, we have lost some of our dedicated members. I offer my condolences to the bereaved family and friends and hope they have the strength to bear the loss. I encourage you to come forward and try to fill their big shoes.

This year marks the 95th anniversary of the Auxiliary. I seek your ideas on how to celebrate the occasion and pay our gratitude to all the members and volunteers who formed and cultivated the Auxiliary to its present state. Let us work together. As Henry Ford said, "Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success."

Let me also repeat the words of another luminary, Helen Keller "Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much."

Looking forward to seeing you in Pittsburgh.

Saraswati Sahay
ASME Auxiliary President
ABRIDGED MINUTES OF JUNE 2018 MEETINGS:

The National Board Meeting of the ASME Auxiliary in Vancouver, BC was called to order on June 4, 2018 by President Kay Simmons at 2:00 PM. There were eleven (11) members and one guest. A motion was made and passed to accept the agenda of the meeting.

The committee paused for a moment of silence for the following members and friends who have passed away; Allen J. Baldwin Jr., Bob Jeffers, Barbara Phillips, Norma Crump, Sandra Bonian, Ruth Roberts, and John Bigley Sr.

The Treasurer’s report showed a balance of $1,235,719.78 on July 1, 2017 and a balance of $1,217,883.02 on March 31, 2018. The student loan fund has a balance of $324,917.72 less $49,474.00 in outstanding loans. The Auxiliary received final payments for three (3) loans that have been paid in full. There were three (3) new loans.

For the 2018/2019 academic year, the Auxiliary awarded twelve (12) Undergraduate Scholarships, one (1) Rothermel Scholarship (Master's degree), one (1) Parsons Scholarship (Doctoral), three (3) Rice Cullimore Scholarships (Foreign Graduate) and twelve (12) Lucy and Charles W. E. Clarke Scholarships to graduating High School Seniors on a FIRST Robotics Team.

The following motion was approved, award a total of twenty nine (29) scholarships, ($111,000.00) for the 2018/2019 academic year. The meeting was adjourned.

The Annual Meeting of the ASME Auxiliary in Vancouver, BC was called to order by President Kay Simmons at 8:30 AM on June 5, 2018. There were fifteen (15) members and one (1) guest. A motion was made and passed to accept the agenda of the meeting.

Kay Simmons was recognized as the Auxiliary President at the Monday Night Committee of Past Presidents’ Leadership Recognition Event held at the Museum of Vancouver.

Saraswati Sahay was presented with a Dedicated Service Award for her long standing service with the ASME Auxiliary. An Honorary Membership from the ASME Auxiliary was presented to Kay Simmons by Lynn Gerber.

Kay Simmons confirmed that the speaker for the Guest Luncheon, sponsored by the Auxiliary, will be Polina Danilyuk, a 2007 ASME Auxiliary FIRST Clarke Scholarship recipient. Her presentation will be “From Robots to Rockets: a Young Engineer’s Journey.”

President Charla Wise thanked the ASME Auxiliary for the good things they have accomplished for the next generation of Mechanical Engineers.

Incoming President Said Jahanmir, said he will work to make the funds and student participation in scholarships bigger.

The new ASME Executive Director, Thomas Costabile, spoke about his extensive background in industry. He extended the invitation that his door was always open.

Kay Simmons performed the ceremonious installation of the newly elected National Officers for 2018-2019. President—Saraswati Sahay, Executive Vice President—Ella Baldwin-Viereck, Recording Secretary-Vatsala Menon, Corresponding Secretary-Ada Ezekoye, Treasurer-Stella Seiders and Student Loan Fund Treasurer-Edmund Seiders.

A Special Meeting of the ASME Auxiliary was called to order by President, Saraswati Sahay on June 5, 2018, Lynn Gerber and Karen Malesky were elected to the Honors and Awards Committee for 2018-2019.
2018-2019 Undergraduate Scholarship Recipients.

Hunter Kanniainen
Sylvia W. Farny Scholarship
University of Idaho

Kayleigh Meinzen
Sylvia W. Farny Scholarship
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Leah Lansdowne
Irma and Robert Bennett Scholarship
University of New Haven

Erik Spong
Irma and Robert Bennett Scholarship
Oklahoma State University

Morgan Taylor
Irma and Robert Bennett Scholarship
Rutgers University-New Brunswick

Ashim Adhikari
Carolyn and James M. Chenoweth Scholarship
Minnesota State University-Mankato

Tara Newman
Carolyn and James M. Chenoweth Scholarship
University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Meghan Reynolds
Carolyn and James M. Chenoweth Scholarship
Loyola College-Maryland

Rachel Evans
Berna Lou Cartwright Scholarship
Calvin College

Elizabeth Bergh
Agnes Malakate Kezios Scholarship
Michigan Technological University

Azriel Achterbosch
Charles B. Sharp Scholarship
Lipscomb University

Deimitri Petrakis
Charles B. Sharp Scholarship
Penn State University Park

Raudel Avila
Elisabeth M. and Winchell M. Parsons Scholarship
Northwestern University

Jacqueline Flanagan
Marjorie Roy Rothermel Scholarship
University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Luis Hernandez
Florida State University

Kaja Lapinska
Columbia University

Carla Villacis Nunez
University of Michigan
2018 Lucy and Charles W. E. Clarke Scholarship Recipients
For participation on a FIRST Robotics Team

Caleb Norris Bell
Colorado School of Mines

Tanner Duncan
Michigan Technological University

Kevin Jesin
University of Central Florida

Nicholas Riedel
University of Minnesota Twin Cities

Orion Roach
University of Kansas

Alexandra Sabala
Northwestern University

Andrew Stucker
University of Idaho

Nikki Wagher
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Emily Walker
Kettering University

Madeleine Welch
Rochester Institute of Technology

Alexander Westhoven
Purdue University

Erica Wuenemann
University of Cincinnati
The history of the Auxiliary is an interesting project, that is if you have access to all the old materials. I am fortunate to have data for the last 40 years in a box in my basement. You may be interested to know that in those years, we helped over 1,301 students with scholarships and loans to a total of $2,611,200!!

Since we are celebrating 95 years as an organization, let me tell you how you can help us continue with our mission to assist mechanical engineers.

- Visit our booth at the Opening Reception at IMECE in Pittsburgh, PA November 11, 2018
- Donate to the ASME Auxiliary Education Fund to help us continue our mission
- Tell mechanical engineering students to join the ASME Student Section at their University so they learn more about loans & scholarships that the Auxiliary has available
- Ask us how you can help the Auxiliary carry out our mission: “To establish education funds for the purpose of assisting worthy students in the study of mechanical engineering at the undergraduate and graduate level.”

This is the kick off as we prepare to celebrate our 100th Anniversary in 2023. Come join us in this great adventure.

Lynn Gerber, Historian
The C-A-M Section. Thank you all for your continued support of the Auxiliary.

Past President Lynn Gerber gave a presentation on “Dressing for Tea”. (Pictured left to right, Joan Krantz, Lynn Gerber, and Nancy Preuter)

Incoming President Sara Sahay receives a Dedicated Service Award from the outgoing Auxiliary President Kay Simmons.

Outgoing Auxiliary President Kay Simmons receiving an ASME Auxiliary Honorary Member Award. (Pictured left to right: ASME President Said Jahanmir, ASME Immediate Past President Charla Wise, Kay Simmons, ASME Past President Bob Simmons, and ASME's new Executive Director Thomas Costabile.)