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## **Second annual engineers day raises \$15,000 for student scholarships**

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Manchester, NH The 2nd Annual Engineers Day Conference took place at the Puritan Conference Center, providing professional development hours and networking opportunities for licensed professionals while giving back to the next generation of engineers by raising \$15,000 for the ASCE-NH Scholarship Fund!

Beyond providing educational opportunities to New Hampshire youth, attendees were treated to a program consisting of Resilient & Innovative Construction Practices, NH-Based Research Driving Progress Throughout the Granite State, and Principles of Effective Leadership, High Performance Teams, and Competent Communication. Each session was led by skilled speakers handpicked by the ASCE-NH board of directors who proved to be informative and thought provoking.

The ASCE-NH Scholarship fund includes two types of scholarship; the Fred Douglas High School Scholarship and the Russell Stearns Scholarship. The Fred Douglas High School Scholarship was created in 2000 and named in honor of ASCE-NH Life member and the long time chair of the Scholarship Fund Fred Douglas. Its purpose is to aid New Hampshire high school students in their pursuit of an engineering education, with the hope to increase the awareness of the civil engineering profession for high school students in New Hampshire. New Hampshire High School Students who are accepted to any ABET-Accredited engineering program are eligible for this scholarship. Russell Stearns (1915-1997) was a professor of engineering at Dartmouth College for a record-setting 54 years and was known for his soft-spoken, nurturing grandfatherly nature. With the amazing support of his wife, Lee, professor Stearns was a leader within the New Hampshire engineering community. This scholarship is an annual award for ASCE Student Members who are enrolled in an ABET-accredited civil engineering program. The number of recipients and value of each scholarship varies depending on the quantity and character of applications received each year.

The deadline for applications is April 30th and scholarships will be presented to the recipients at the May ASCE-NH membership meeting.

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