

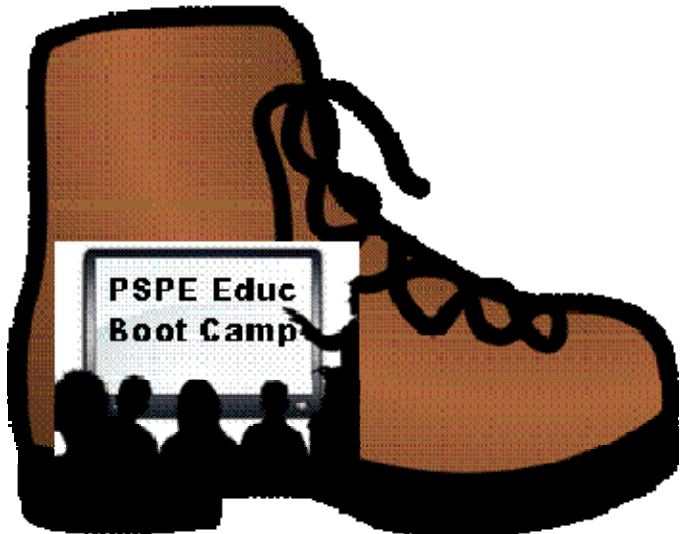


# The Philadelphia Engineer

Founding Chapter 1934 – August 2019 issue

**PSPE Philadelphia Chapter**  
 is proud to announce our  
 Chapter State Director and former President  
**Thomas J. Friese, PE**  
 has been elected as Treasurer of State PSPE  
 and will be installed at the  
 State Annual Meeting SEP 19-20  
 to be held in Bethlehem PA.  
 All Philadelphia Chapter and SouthEast  
 Region Members are encouraged to attend.  
 For more information click to  
<https://www.pspe.org/event/pspe-2019-conference/>

September Chapter Tour  
 September 5, 2019  
**The Rail Park**  
**Registration & Hoagies: 6:00 PM to 6:30 PM**  
**Tour Starts at Corner of Broad and Noble Sts**  
**Guided Tour 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM**  
**enjoy beyond 7pm on your own**  
 Price - \$15  
 No fee to attend without meal  
 to REGISTER go to [www.pspe-philly.org](http://www.pspe-philly.org)



For up to 16 credit hours of 24 required PSPE Philadelphia Education Boot Camp

## Philadelphia Chapter Program 2019-2020

Our program for 2019-20 is provided below. We continue to look to our Members for suggestions and to volunteer to share knowledge with your peers. Please contact our leadership at [President@PSPE-Philly.org](mailto:President@PSPE-Philly.org).

### Pennsylvania Society of Professional Engineers Philadelphia Chapter 2019-2020 Program

Date	Event - Click Event for Details
Sep. 5, 2019	<a href="#">The Rail Park</a>
Sep 19-20, 2019	<a href="#">PSPE State Conference in Bethlehem</a>
Sep 16-27, 2019	<a href="#">Philly Chapter Education Boot Camp</a>
Oct. 3, 2019	<a href="#">Process of Discipline from the Pennsylvania Board of Engineers</a>
Nov. 7, 2019	<a href="#">Course 1 and Course 2</a>
Dec. ??, 2019 time tbd Multi-Society	<a href="#">Annual Multi-Society Meeting</a> (Organized by the Engineers' Club) location tbd
Dec. 5, 2019 SE Regional	<a href="#">Delaware Valley Region Outstanding Engineering Achievement Program</a>
Jan. 9, 2020	<a href="#">TouT TBD</a>
Feb. 6, 2020	<a href="#">Legislative Round Table at Chart House Restaurant</a>
Feb 8, 2020 MathCounts	Phila Chapter MathCounts Competition at Temple University
Feb 13, 2020 ECP eWeek	<a href="#">Dinner Event by Engineers' Club</a> location tbd
Feb 15, 2020 ECP YoungEng	<a href="#">Networking Event by Engineers' Club</a> location tbd
Feb 22, 2020 NSPE PA/NJ Engineers' Week Banquet	<a href="#">Greater Philadelphia and Delaware Valley Regional National Engineers' Week Banquet</a> at Chart House Restaurant
Mar 5, 2020	<a href="#">Course 1 and Course 2</a>
Apr 2, 2020	<a href="#">Course 1 and Course 2</a>
May 7, 2020	Annual Meeting & Officers Installed
Aug 12-16, 2020	NSPE Conference in Philadelphia

## Join us for #PECON20 in



**Philadelphia August 12–16, 2020**

# MEMBERSHIP

In 1989-90 our Chapter Membership was over 600; today our entire SouthEast region has under 600. Why? What can we and should we be doing? First don't panic. The reality is not quite as bad as this may sound. After our legislature added the requirement for continuing education, quite a few "retired" engineers dropped their active licenses. We were in 1989 and now in 2019 about 10% of licensed engineers. The issue is can we grow?

In the past many newly minted Professional Engineers were introduced to NSPE/PSPE by their employer who paid the fees and encouraged active participation. Today many PEs do not even know we exist, or the services we provide to Members, all PEs, and to the general public.

And so our Philadelphia Chapter has mailed a postcard to a subset of the 5000 PEs who live and work in our region, but are not yet Members. (Note - if you are reading this newsletter sent by email you will not get a postcard.) With limited budget, we focused upon those who were first licensed in PA within the past ten years.

See our postcard below, or view more readable copy at <http://www.pspe-philly.org/news/newsletters/postcard8jul19.pdf>

## PSPE Philadelphia Boot Camp for Mandatory Continuing Education continued from column one

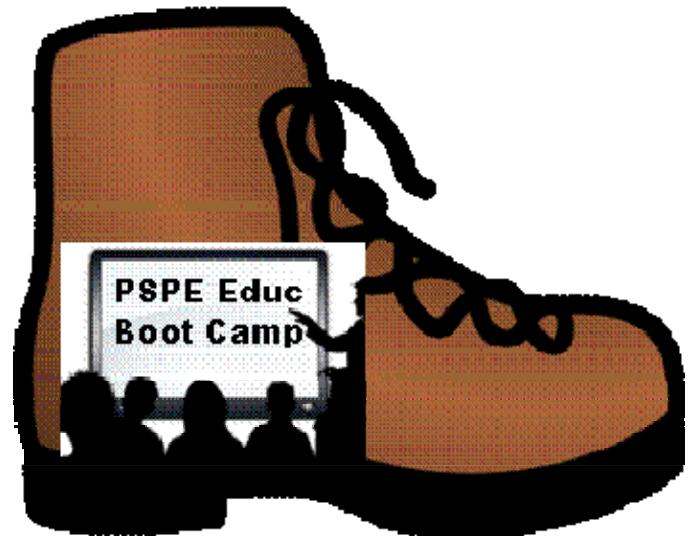
Members of PSPE and our Philadelphia and surrounding Chapters all have adequate opportunity to obtain the 24 hours of continuing education required by September 30 to renew your license to practice. Monthly meetings and other events provide courses along with camaraderie and networking. Non-Members must expend more effort to plan and commit and may run up to SEP deadline.

As a service to the Professional Engineers of the Philadelphia Region, the Philadelphia Chapter of PSPE is conducting a two day Continuing Education Boot Camp providing up to 16 Credit Hours towards the 24 hours required by September 30th. Membership in PSPE is not required, but we will certainly introduce all to our other programs and benefits of membership.

We have kept the cost to a minimum, this being a service and not a fund raiser. Cost is \$100 for one day (8 hours) or \$160 for two days (16 hours.)

Our Boot Camp will be held on THU-FRI SEP 26-27 at Drexel University Hill Conference Room, 31st and Market, Philadelphia. We have a discounted room rate at University City Sheraton (36th and Chestnut) for those few who may desire to sleep over.

More info at <http://www.pspe-philly.org/bootcamp/bootcamp.html>.



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The PostCard and BootCamp initiatives represent our first efforts to bring in the 90% of PE licensees are not yet Members of PSPE and NSPE. We look to our current Members – YOU – for additional suggestions.

Fredric L Plotnick, PE

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