



# Society of Women Engineers Connecticut Section

April 2022 Newsletter

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## FY22 OFFICERS



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## NEXT – Trivia Night

Let's have some fun! Join us for a SWE CT trivia night at The Hops Company (THC).

**Date:** Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup>

**Time:** 6:30 – 9:00pm (come and go as you please)

**Location:** The Hops Company (THC), Derby, CT



## NEXT – SWE CT Speaker Series (S<sup>3</sup>) #5

Join us for the next session of the S<sup>3</sup> presentations:  
“**Makerspace – Invent the World!**”

**Date:** Tuesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 6:30 – 7:15pm (45 mins)

**Location:** virtual via Zoom (see email invitation)



## COME CELEBRATE – Annual Jean R. Beers Scholarship Winner

**Congratulations to our FY22 scholarship recipient – Jennifer Ye from Yale University!**

Please join us to congratulate Jennifer and recognize all her accomplishments. Feel free to enjoy a Cinco de Mayo refreshment during the event.

**Date:** Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 6:00 – 7:00pm

**Location:** virtual via Zoom (see email invitation)



## ELECTIONS – FY23, SEEKING SWE CT OFFICER NOMINATIONS

FY23 begins in July 2022. Elections for SWE CT officer positions will take place during the month of May. Please email [swe.connecticut@gmail.com](mailto:swe.connecticut@gmail.com) by **4/29** if you're interested in self-nominating, or nominating as SWE member, for one or more of the following positions: (see detailed roles & responsibilities at the end of this newsletter)

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary / Data Officer
- Treasurer

## STEM BOOK DONATIONS

SWE CT is looking to donate a collection of STEM books (K-12<sup>th</sup> grade) to local schools. **Please consider purchasing a book to contribute no later than 5/20: [AMAZON BOOK LIST](#)**

Please select **SWE Connecticut Wallingford, CT (Gift Registry Address)** for shipment. Email [swe.connecticut@gmail.com](mailto:swe.connecticut@gmail.com) with any questions.

THANK YOU!



## MEMBERSHIP – Renewal for FY23

**FY23 begins on July 1, 2022 – It's never too early to renew your SWE CT membership!**

Being a SWE member provide access to benefits such as professional development resources, leadership opportunities, and reduced rates to SWE conferences. Being a paid member of SWE provides a huge benefit to our Section, regardless if you'd like to take an active role in the Section.

Join or renew [here!](#) Check our new website at <http://ct.swe.org/>

## SUPPORT – Company Donation Matching

SWE CT is in the process of creating an endowment for our Annual Jean R. Beers scholarship and is actively seeking monetary support to establish this fund.

We are seeking your help!....Did you know that many Engineering companies provide **donation matching** based on monetary contributions or volunteer hours? Please consider including SWE CT in your annual giving plan.

## SUPPORT – iGive and Amazon.Smile

Did you know you could shop online and donate to SWE CT at the same time? The holidays are right around the corner and there are two resources below that will donate to our SWE CT Scholarship at no cost to you!

### **iGive- Donates a percentage of purchases from participating online stores to SWE CT!**

- Go to iGive.com and create an account, after you create an account select " Society of Women Engineers - CT" as your cause. There are two ways you can use iGive: you can go through the website and click on the stores you like to shop at or; set up the iGive Button on Google Chrome which will recognize the companies that participate when you go to their website.

### **Amazon Smile- Donates a percentage of your purchases to SWE CT!**

- If you use Amazon, instead of going to Amazon.com type [Amazon.smile.com](https://www.amazon.com/smile) in your browser. Once you are logged in you can set your supporting organization to "Society of Women Engineers Connecticut". This can also be set up through your Amazon App!

## **FY23 SWE CT Officer Positions (Nominations due no later than April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022)**

### Section 1. Officers

The officers of the Society shall be the president, president elect, secretary, and treasurer.

### Section 2. Duties

#### **A. The president shall:**

1. Represent the Society before the public as the official representative of the Society;
2. Preside over all meetings of the board of directors and the membership;
3. Appoint the chairs of Society committees, except the standing committees, subject to the approval of the board of directors;
4. Report to each meeting of the board of directors, the senate, and the membership on the progress and state of the Society; and
5. Perform other duties incident to the office of president, whether assigned by the board of directors, the senate, or Society governing documents.

#### **B. The vice president elect shall:**

1. Assume the duties of president in case of temporary absence or temporary inability to serve; and
2. Perform other duties incident to the office of president elect, whether assigned by the president, board of directors, the senate, or Society governing documents.

#### **C. The secretary shall:**

1. Serve as the chief elected communications officer of the Society;
2. Be responsible for the preparation and retention of the minutes of the board of directors and the membership;
3. Oversee the preparation and distribution of an agenda for each meeting of the board of directors and the membership, subject to the approval of the body at the meeting;
4. Review membership applications as is deemed necessary or upon request of SWE Bylaws. As updated through S-2102 on 30October2020 Page 5 of 18 headquarters personnel, and decide all matters of membership eligibility and reinstatement, subject to appeal to the board of directors;
5. Review charter applications and petitions according to board policies;

6. Approve section agreements and members at large bylaws, as well as subsequent amendments, subject to appeal to the board of directors;
7. Have an up-to-date roll of the board of directors at all meetings of the board; and
8. Perform other duties incident to the office of secretary, whether assigned by the president, the board of directors, or Society governing documents.

**D. The treasurer shall:**

1. Serve as the chief elected financial officer of the Society, and as such, be responsible to oversee the collection, distribution, and safekeeping of the Society's funds;
2. Present a financial report at each in-person meeting of the board of directors, the senate, and the membership;
3. Serve as an ex officio member of the finance committee; and
4. Perform other duties incident to the office of treasurer, whether assigned by the president, the speaker of the senate, the board of directors, or Society governing documents.