



# August Monthly Newsletter

## FY24 Kickoff Event

Please join us for our FY24 kickoff on Thursday 8/24! We'll be meeting at [Two Roads Brewing Company](#) in Stratford. Feel free to bring a friend to enjoy some tasty beers!

Where: Two Roads Brewing Company, 1700 Stratford Ave, Stratford, CT 06615

When: 5:30 – 7:30 pm (come and go as you wish)

\*\* You are welcome to bring your own food to Two Roads, the newly opened food hall is also available across the street.

## Open Chair Positions

We have the following chair positions open for FY24. Please contact us at [swe.connecticut@gmail.com](mailto:swe.connecticut@gmail.com) if you are interested or for more details. This is a great way to expand your involvement with SWE!

- Social Media Chair (approx. 30 mins/month) – Promote/advertise events and news on social media platforms (Instagram, Facebook).
- Outreach Chair (approx. 2-4 hours/FY) – Coordinate opportunities for STEM outreach with local communities, target of 1-2 events per year.
- Scholarship Chair (approx. 5 hours/FY, active January to May) – Coordinate application and manage scholarship committee.

## **WE23 – Live Without Limits Registration Now Open!**

This year's conference is held in Los Angeles, CA from October 26-28. Registration is now open and the early bird rate (20% off) ends on August 31. More details can be found at <https://we23.swe.org/>.

## **Volunteer Opportunity**

In collaboration with the Girl Scouts of CT, SWE at P&W is hosting a Pumpkin Chuckin' Event on October 15 from 8AM – 4PM in Oxford. The Girl Scouts will be designing, building and testing mechanisms (i.e. catapults, sling shots, etc.) to effectively launch pumpkins.

For more details and to RSVP, please contact Ellyn Savard at [ESavard@gsofct.org](mailto:ESavard@gsofct.org) or Tracy Propheter at [tracy.propheter@pw.utc.com](mailto:tracy.propheter@pw.utc.com).

Where:

Camp An-Se-Ox 47 Condon Rd, Oxford, CT 06478

Flexible Agenda:

8:00 Volunteers arrive (breakfast snacks available)

8:45 Participants begin to arrive and form randomly selected teams; decorate their safety glasses while waiting for the program to begin.

9:00 Power tool demo/practice (after the demo, volunteers help their teams practice using the tools)

10:00 Teams design and build their devices.

12:00 Lunch (Provided), then continue building.

2:30? Launch pumpkins!

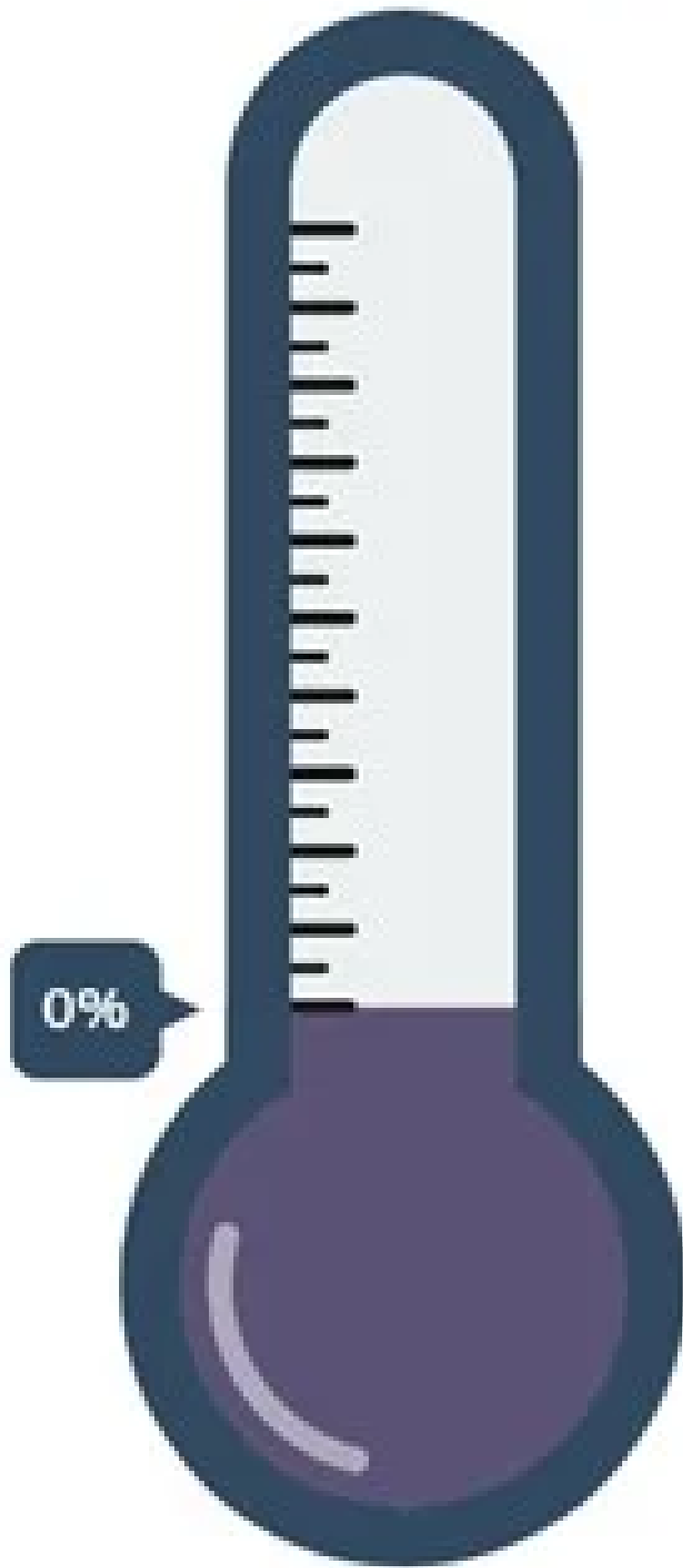
3:30? Awards

## **SUPPORT – Scholarship Endowment**

**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 have a goal of \$1500 to be able to fully endow our annual scholarship with SWE HQ. Here are ways you can support:

**GOAL: \$1,500**



- iGive- Donates a percentage of purchases from participating online stores to SWE CT!  
Go to [iGive.com](http://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.
- Company matching based on monetary contributions or volunteer hours. If you search for our organization, be sure you are selecting the correct section (match the mailing address below).
- Personal donations can be made directly to:

Society of Women Engineers  
Connecticut Section  
PO Box 1053  
New Canaan, CT 06840-1053  
Thank you for your support!

## **MEMBERSHIP - Renewal for FY24**

**FY24 began on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 - renew your SWE CT membership!**

Being a SWE member provides 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 of if you'd like to take an active role in the Section.

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

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