



Society of Women Engineers Connecticut Section

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CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS – Annual Jean R. Beers Scholarship Committee

FINAL CALL - Now accepting [applications](#) through March 4th, 2022

It's that time of year again! We are about to kick-off the Annual SWE CT Jean R. Beers Scholarship process. **We are in need of scholarship committee members to review applications in March 2022 (approx. 2-3 hours time commitment).**

This year, **Kristen Sensabaugh is our Scholarship Committee Chair.**

Please send an email to Kristen with your interest in volunteering: swe.ct.scholarship@gmail.com



NEXT – SWE CT Speaker Series (S³) #5

Join us for the next session of the S³ presentations: **“Home Office Techniques”**

Date: Tuesday, March 15th
Time: 6:30 – 7:15pm (45 mins)
Location: virtual via Zoom (see email invitation)



EVELYN FOWLER – Celebrating one of our founding members

Evelyn Ruth Fowler (1921-2022) –
[Link to Obituary & SWE founders article](#)
Evelyn Ruth Fowler, age 100 years and 6 months, died from natural causes, peacefully, at her home in Stamford, Connecticut on February 11, 2022. Evvy was an artist, a writer, a reader, a wit and a wordsmith, an engineer and inventor, an animal lover, a social activist, and one of the founders of the Society of Women Engineers. In addition, she was a wife and mother, who raised four children in Stamford along with a succession of dogs and cats.



UPCOMING ACTIVITIES – Save the Dates

Upcoming events for FY22 – be on the lookout for calendar invites and details throughout the year...

- **March 15:** SWE CT Speaker Series #5 – “Home Office Techniques”
- **April 21:** Trivia Night! (The Hops Company, Derby, CT 6:30-9pm)
- **April:** SWE CT Speaker Series #6 – topic TBD (reach out to volunteer!)

See the full **SWE CT Speaker Series (S3) schedule** on the last page of the newsletter.

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!



SWE Connecticut Speaker Series



SWE CT is excited to present a series of short 15-20 minute virtual presentations on a variety of topics, featuring none other than our SWE CT members!



NOVEMBER 30th:

Recognize Carbon Monoxide Awareness Month:
A Natural Gas Safety Brief
(Leanna Lester)



DECEMBER 16th:

This Process is Inefficient! An Overview of Lean Six Sigma Continuous Improvement Methodology
(Rochelle Shidler)



JANUARY 13th:

Engineer Your Lifestyle: Using the 5-Step Engineering Method to Fine-Tune Your Fitness and Nutrition
(Allison Knouse & Meredith Rhein)



~~**FEBRUARY 28th:**~~

~~Makerspace – Invent the World!
(Stephanie Gillespie)~~

Postponed



MARCH 15th:

Home Office Techniques – How to Make Working from Home Work for You!
(Kristen Sensibaugh)

