



Society of Women Engineers Connecticut Section

October 2020 Newsletter

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SWE CT Sleeping Giant Hike

Thank you to all who participated in our fall hike up Sleep Giant's tower trail on Saturday, September 26th! It was a beautiful day and it was nice to meet some new faces.



NEXT EVENT: Halloween Themed Happy Hour!

Please join us for a virtual Happy Hour to network with fellow SWE members. Halloween costume contest, games and more! Drinks encouraged.

RSVP by 10/26 using the link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TZBH5R7>

Date: Wednesday, October 28th, **Time:** 6-7pm



WE20 Annual Conference – Now 100% Virtual

Date: November 2-13, 2020

Location: Virtual

Visit we20.swe.org for additional information. Take a look at the workshop schedule and select your favorite sessions today!



SAVE THE DATE: Virtual SWE CT Holiday Activity

In past years, we hosted a potluck brunch during the holiday season. Due to COVID-19 concerns, we have opted for a virtual holiday SWE activity. We'll keep you posted with details! (think arts & crafts 🎨)

SAVE THE DATE

Date: Saturday, December 5th, 2020

Time: Morning (TBD)

Location: Virtual

Scholarship Committee Reviewers

We are pleased to welcome **Lindsay Hess** as our FY21 SWE CT Jean R. Beers Scholarship Committee Chair. If you're interested in joining the committee as an application reviewer, please email swe.ct.scholarship@gmail.com. As a reviewer, time commitment is approximately 3 hours.

Outreach Activities

We are pleased to welcome **Sarah Shanahan** as our FY21 Outreach Activity Coordinator. Please reach out to Sarah with any ideas, or fill out the **Outreach Request Form** on our website.

SAVE THE DATE

For our first event, we will help Girl Scouts of Connecticut earn their STEM badges! More details to follow. Please email swe.connecticut@gmail.com if you are interested in volunteering or help with organizing.

Date: Saturday, December 12

Time: Morning (TBD) approximately 1.5 hours of your time

Membership Renewal for FY21

FY21 started on July 1, 2020 – It's never too late 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](#) today! Check our new website at <http://ct.swe.org/>

Virtual Mentoring Opportunities

With COVID-19 impacting the ability of K-12 students and college students to attend in-person outreach events with professional engineers or tour technical companies, we risk a shrinking our pipeline of qualified students in coming years!

Consider volunteering for one of the following virtual mentoring opportunities with as little as 1 hour of your time!

- Create a profile on [FabFems.com](https://www.fabfems.com), where K-12 students can browse for mentors based on location or industry.
- Mentor University of New Haven junior and senior engineering students through a matched-mentor program on [Mentor Collective](#) (~1 hour/month)
- Sign-up through the SWE Outreach Committee to be a contact for a variety of outreach initiatives [here](#). The committee will help match individual SWE members with groups looking for a virtual speaker or SWENext counselor.

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](https://www.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!