



2005 SEI Awards

You are cordially invited to join your friends and colleagues as we celebrate excellence in Structural Engineering at the 2005 Structures Congress in New York City. Join us in congratulating and recognizing the following recipients of the 2005 SEI Awards.

The **Dennis L. Tewksbury Award** recipient is **Ronald (Rawn) F. Nelson, S.E.** This award recognizes a member of the Structural Engineering Institute (SEI) who has advanced the interests of the Institute through innovative or visionary leadership; who has promoted the growth and visibility of SEI; who has established working relationships between SEI and other structural engineering organizations; or who has otherwise rendered valuable service to the structural engineering profession. Nelson plays an instrumental leadership role in SEI, serving previously as Chair of the Public Relations Committee and

currently as Chair of the Business and Professional Activities Division and as a member of the Board of Governors. He provided valuable service to SEI during the period of its developing relationship with NCSEA and continues today. His service to the structural engineering profession is well-known in California, where he has served in numerous capacities with SEAOC (Structural Engineers Association of California).

H.S. Lew, Ph.D., P.E., is the recipient of the **Walter P. Moore, Jr. Award**, which is awarded annually to a structural engineer who has demonstrated technical expertise in and dedication to the development of structural codes and standards. The contribution may have been in the form of papers, presentations, extensive practical experience, research, committee participation or through other activities. Dr. Lew is recognized for his technical excellence in investigations of causes of building

failures due to natural and man-made disasters, which have led to significant improvements in structural standards and professional practice.

The **Gene Wilhoite Innovations in Transmission Line Engineering Award** is presented to a member of the Society who has made significant contributions to the advancement of the art and science of transmission line engineering. The award was established in 1990 in honor of Gene M. Wilhoite. The 2005 Award is presented to **Dan E. Jackman, P.E.**, who has been a key player for ASCE, has had involvement with ASCE Transmission Design, and was utility advisor for EPRI Wind Loading Research Group and chairman of the Transmission in a New Age Conference. Dan retired after 40 years of service with the Omaha Public Power District.

All of the award recipients will be recognized at the **2005 Structures Congress Awards Luncheon in New York City on Friday, April 22nd.**

2006 SEI Awards Program Deadlines:

Do you want to nominate someone to receive one of SEI's awards next year? The deadline for the Dennis L. Tewksbury and Walter P. Moore, Jr. Awards is Dec. 1, 2005 and for the Wilhoite, is Nov. 1, 2005.

Go to www.seinstitute.org/inside/honorawards for criteria and application procedures. ■

Call For Committee Members

The SEI Technical Activities Division (TAD) Committee on Performance of Full Scale Structures is seeking to expand its membership. The committee will be preparing a report on the current use of performance-based engineering for the design of structures for various types of loading. The committee's scope includes buildings, bridges, and other similar structures. Those people interested in becoming members of the committee should complete the online membership application found on the SEI web page at: www.seinstitute.org/committees/technical. Questions regarding the committee should be directed to Brian Kehoe, Chair, at bkehoe@wje.com. ■

Local Elections to be held for SEI Board of Governors Representative

The Board of Governors of the Structural Engineering Institute is comprised of 9 individuals, two of whom are elected by the local **Structural Technical Groups (STG) of the ASCE Sections and Branches**. The Local Activities Division (LAD) of SEI is unique in that the local groups develop their own process to determine their nominee and their one vote in the election for the LAD representative to the BOG.

This is the time to nominate someone in your local group who you believe will be a positive addition to the SEI Board. Once all the nominations are received, the SEI staff will distribute a ballot to all 50 of the local STG Chairs for their votes. Nomination Forms have been sent to all local STG Chairs to be returned in April, and the ballot period will be during the month of May, 2005.

The elected representative will convey the needs of the local STGs to the SEI Board of Governors and be a conduit for BOG initiatives back to the local groups. **The term of the successful nominee will be from October 1, 2005 to September 30, 2009.**

For further information, contact Mary Ellen Saville at mesaville@asce.org. ■

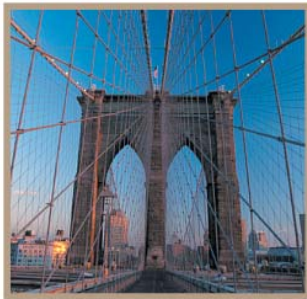
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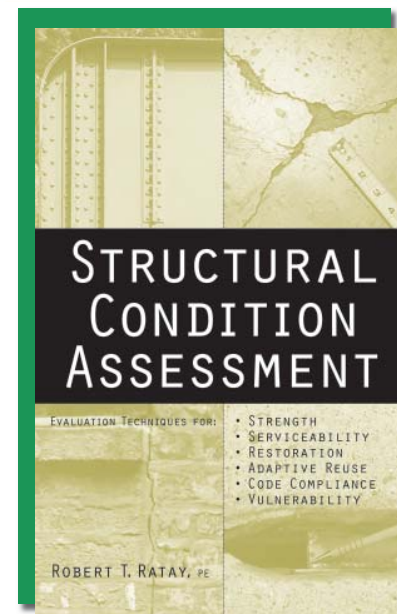
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