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MPES ANNOUNCES NEW SCHOLARSHIP

MPES is pleased to announce the creation of a new scholarship fund: The David Lazzar Scholarship. The new scholarship is available to high school seniors from schools within the counties that comprise the Chapter's region. Scholarships are awarded based on academic achievement, participation in scholastic and out-of-school activities, work experience, and volunteer/community service activities.

The new scholarship is being sponsored by Mr. David Lazzar, P.E. Mr. Lazzar is a graduate of SUNY Buffalo, where he earned his degree in Civil Engineering. In 1981, he accepted a position as a designer with Erdman Anthony working on the Combined Sewer Overflow Abatement Project for Monroe County. During the course of his 35-year career with Erdman Anthony, Mr. Lazzar steadily took on increasing responsibility as project engineer, project manager, highway department manager, Transportation Engineering Group manager and the Rochester office branch manager.

Mr. Lazzar's highway-design responsibilities included many large, local projects, like the "Can of Worms" reconstruction, Irondequoit Bay Outlet Bridge construction and the I-490 Western Gateway. More recently, he has focused on construction inspection services and has managed as many as 40 seasonal inspectors for construction projects across Upstate NY.

Reflecting on his career in the engineering profession, Mr. Lazzar expresses deep gratitude for the opportunities that his college education made available. He is excited to be able to promote engineering education through this new scholarship, and he encourages young engineering professionals to learn new skills and to branch out in their fields. Mr. Lazzar resides in Webster, NY with his wife, Diane, of whom he says he would not have been successful without her support. The couple has two daughters and three grandchildren.

With the addition of the Lazzar scholarship, there are now eight scholarships available through MPES. For a listing of these scholarships or to download application materials, please visit the MPES website: <http://monroepes.org/scholarship/>.

Active membership in the Monroe Professional Engineers Society is always encouraged. We are constantly striving to improve your membership, but we always need more help. If you would like to get more involved, or have questions or suggestions, please email me at dcrobertspe@gmail.com or contact MPES through our website at www.monroepes.org/contact-us/.

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