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SWEARING IN CEREMONY OF NEW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2007-2009

On Sunday March 10, 2007 the Society of Indo American Engineers and Architects (SIAEA) held its General Meeting and Installation of officers for Year 2007-2009 at the beautiful Anton Restaurant on Long Island. This year's ceremony occupied the entire hall which proved to be too small. Hopefully next year the organizing committee will rent a larger facility.

The Chief Guest was Honorable Mr. James W. Reed, Deputy Commissioner, Office of Consumer Affairs, Nassau County, NY. In his address to the members he expressed his thanks to our members for honoring him and pledged his support to our society.

The ceremonial event was a great success for which the Executives and Directors should be commended for a job well done. For more photos, please visit photo album on our web site at www.siaeany.org.



First Row (Standing) from left: Mihir Patel, Chetinder Dhillon, Jim Hirani, Prakash Kapadia, Samir Shah, Sudhir Sachdev, Lt. Hitesh Patel, Jack Kapur, Vinod Devgan and Nayan Parikh.

Second Row (Sitting) from left: Anil Roy, Amar S. Malla, Nayan Trivedi, Bansi Shah, Ravi Shenoy, Rajiv k. Bhagat, Muhammad Sheth, Sudha Singh.



Imm. Past President Speech



Chief Guest Speech



Presenting Memento to Imm. Past President



Secretary Report



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Mr. President's Speech



Bansi Shah
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President's Message

My Dear Members:

On behalf of my executive committee and as the newly elected President of SIAEA, I would like to thank you all, the members, for the trust and confidence that you have bestowed upon me and my team by electing us to represent and work for you to the betterment of the society and the community.

We are well aware of the heritage and the success path that our predecessors' accomplishments have helped us make SIAEA what it is today and I promise to continue on their success path to make SIAEA one of the most recognized organizations in the Tri State area.

Very shortly, I, along with my executive committee, will be holding our first of many strategic and planning meetings. In each of these meetings, we will have but one goal, and that will be to further enhance the image of SIAEA, and help the membership achieve their own professional goals with the help and support of SIAEA.

As you know, we already had our successful summer picnic at Croton Park, New York and participated in India Day Parade on August 19th. I can tell you that we are still looking at yet another ambitious and crowded calendar of activities for the rest of the year. The rest of the year is filled with technical seminars, both with CE & Non-CE credits and not to mention our biggest event of the year i.e. Annual Gala on November 3, 2007 .

Along with the above organized activities, we will begin a strong

initiative to reach out to other engineering, architectural and construction organizations and associations to share ideas, find synergies and possibly do joint activities. This should bring a new vitality in the society and help us expand not only our membership base but raise our profile in the Tri-State area. We will be organizing networking opportunities to other businesses and organizations not directly related to our direct line of interests and help our membership take advantage of new resources of business contacts.

To strengthen these network activities and reach to the "grass roots" of like minded professionals, our committee in the August monthly meeting has proposed that small networking groups contact each other and meet locally based on their geographical location in the tri-state area. Each individual group presents a smaller number of professionals intimately exchanging ideas and resources for mutual benefits. This way our society can know our members background and talents more closely and create a larger and stronger group of individuals.

Alongside of the above activities, we will be working to further improve the organization's resources to you. Some of the changes we are working on are as follows:

- Reinitiating our periodic newsletter
- Improved website and its functionalities
- Show case of achievements of our past presidents and prominent members

- Membership Directory

However, we cannot accomplish this all without your help and guidance. As a professional organization, SIAEA's strength lies in its accomplished membership and its influential reach in the community. Therefore, as your newly elected President, I would like to invite everyone to share their ideas, concerns, suggestions and feedback with me and my executive committee. This will help us bring better programming suited to your needs and wishes.

I urge all of you to look at our different programming committees, and volunteer your time and expertise in bringing more value to the organization. Some of the key areas that you could help us in are in bringing new sponsorships, sending us technical and valuable articles for the upcoming newsletters, by mentoring other new members and participating actively in the monthly technical and other meetings.

I am looking forward to your feed back via emails or phone calls.

In closing, I would like to once again thank you profusely for your confidence and trust that you have placed upon me and my team. With your help and God's blessings, we will further enhance the image of SIAEA in the professional and social world.

Very truly yours,
Bansi Shah
President - SIAEA

Employment

Editor Note:

As part of our service to our members, the editors will post all job opportunities and job wanted ads at no cost. If you are an employer looking for qualified, experience, and hard-working Engineers and Archi-

itects forward your ads to us. If you are a member and seeking employment, please let us post your job wanted ad. Please email your ad not exceeding 30 words in length. We would also like to publish all your news and views as well as any technical articles. Note that

the article should be 150 words or less and should cover subject matter which would interest a large part of our diverse membership. All ads and articles should be forwarded to Mr. Samir Shah at Samirstar25@hotmail.com.

SWEARING CEREMONY OF NEW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2005-2007 (Continue)



Imm. Past Executive Committee



Presenting Bouquet to Imm. First Lady



Members and Guests



Food



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Member News



Late Hitesh Patel

It is with deep regret that we advise everyone that Mr. Hitesh Patel, one of our beloved directors and a long time member, met an untimely

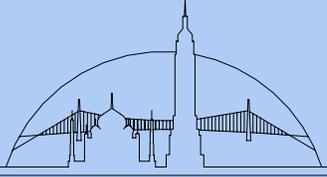
death at a very young age, while performing a great civic duty for the community. Hitesh was running in a marathon, sponsored by a large bank to help raise money for a good cause, when he suddenly had a heart seizure and collapsed during the event. The paramedics were unable to revive him and we all suffered a terrible loss due to his demise. Hitesh was a poet, an accomplished engineer, and a devoted son and brother to

his family. All of us at SIAEA mourn this terrible loss and wish his family our deepest condolences and sympathies. May his soul rest in peace.

Upcoming Event

Annual Dinner & Dance, November 3rd, 2007

On November 3, 2007 our society will be celebrating our Annual Dinner & Dance and Recognition / Awards ceremony. As usual we will be recognizing one engineer and one architect for his or her achievements. Also one member will be recognized for his or her service to our society. We urge all our members to submit recommendation and/or curriculum vital. For more information please contact Mr. Ravi Shenoy, Chair, Awards committee-2007. For more information visit our web site www.siaeaany.org.



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- Networking
- Continuing Education
- Exhibitions
- Affiliations

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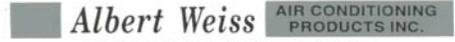
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