

#### Message from the President By: Chett Siefring

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our sponsors and participants who helped make the TSPE Golf Outing a success. More than 70 players participated in the event, representing 17 local companies and engineering firms. Additionally, 18 companies sponsored the outing. Door prizes/awards were donated by 13 companies and restaurants. Proceeds from this event support the TSPE scholarship fund. TSPE is looking forward to next year's Golf Outing, which is tentatively scheduled for May 24, 2019.

## Order of the Engineer Ceremony at UT

On April 20, the University of Toledo College of Engineering hosted an Order of the Engineer (Link #20) initiation ceremony in Nitschke Auditorium. The ceremony included a welcome from UT Dean of Engineering Dr. T. Michael



Toole, P.E., and a keynote address by Ms. Deb Dauer (BSCE, 1981) who recently retired from



Owens Corning. The initiation was conducted by Professor Richard Springman, P.E., who is a TSPE trustee. He explained the history and the significance of the ring and administered the oath of the Order of the Engineer to approximately 160 initiates, who were then presented with stainless steel rings.

### **TSPE Represented at All Ohio Engineering Conference**

TSPE members were on hand at the All Ohio Engineering Conference held during June 2018. As part of the conference, OSPE and EFO held annual meetings. During the proceedings, TSPE received the OSPE Overall National Engineers Week Observance Award. Additionally, TSPE members Travis Rhoades, P.E. and Chett Siefring, P.E. (pictured third and sixth from right, respectively) were installed as EFO president and president-elect, respectively. Not pictured is TSPE member Joe Cherry who is, as of July 1, EFO's immediate past-president.



### **Legislative Update**

OSPE is currently monitoring 26 bills, two of which have versions in both the House and the Senate. As presented in "Ohio Engineer" 2018 Volume 78/Issue 1, OSPE continues to oppose House Bill 289/Senate Bill 255 (occupational licensing). These bills would require the periodic review of occupational licensing boards regarding their sunset. OSPE provided opposition testimony regarding SB 255 in April 2018. OSPE is concerned that the bill would force the engineers' regulatory board to spend time and potentially registrant fees in preparing for an unnecessary "sunset review." Furthermore, the "least restrictive regulation" measure could only undermine the knowledge-base for engineering practice. A substitute version of Senate Bill 255 has passed the upper chamber. At present, OSPE is analyzing the substitute language, which is yet to be considered by the Ohio House of Representatives.

# **Upcoming TSPE Events**

Installation of new TSPE board members: July 10, 2018 at the 2018-2019 Board Planning Meeting.

#### 2017-2018 TSPE Board Members

President: Chett Siefring, P.E. First Vice President: Richard Martinko, P.E. Second Vice President: Travis Rhoades, P.E. Secretary: Alexandra Anhwere, P.E. Treasurer: Trent Hathaway, P.E. First Past President: Chris Iott, P.E. Second Past President: Travis Rhoades, P.E. Third Past President: Joe Cherry, P.E. Trustee: Dan Stark, P.E. Trustee: Nicholas Savage, E.I. Trustee: Bernadette McCarthy Trustee: Ahmed Hamid, P.E.

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