"Aging Infrastructure: The Engineering Challenge of Sustaining the Built Environment"

You are cordially invited to join us in celebrating National Engineers Week, "Engineers Make a World of Difference" the week of February 17-23, 2008.

You will be joining forces with over 125 engineering, scientific, and education societies and major corporations dedicated to enhancing the public understanding of the engineering profession and to promoting pre-college interest in math, science, and engineering. Our local celebration culminates with our ASCE, VSPE, ASME, ANS and ASQ E-Week Banquet on Thursday, February 21, 2008, at 5:30 PM at the James River Conference Center in Downtown Lynchburg. Our featured presentation this year will consist of a panel of experts who will discuss our nation's aging infrastructure. Topics of this discussion will include energy generation and distribution, transportation, water and wastewater, hazardous and solid waste disposal, parks and recreation, public buildings, public transit and legislative initiatives.

Panel Speaker Introductions are done by Dr. Andrew G. Cook, Senior Vice President, AREVA NP Inc. who will also serve as the moderator. Speaker Presentation and Panel Discussion members are: Congressman Virgil Goode, U.S. House of Representatives, Virginia's 5th District, The Honorable Preston Bryant, Virginia Secretary of Natural Resources, Mr. David Ekern, Commissioner, Virginia Department of Transportation and Mr. Amir Shahkarami, Exelon Nuclear.

Come Celebrate Engineer's Week - Mark the contributions engineers make to the quality of life in our communities and join the debate on the challenges we face maintaining the ever growing scope of our built environment. Our local celebration culminates with a blue ribbon panel discussion of how we are going to address our nation’s aging infrastructure. Topics of this discussion will include energy generation and distribution, transportation, water and wastewater, hazardous and solid waste disposal, parks and recreation, public buildings, public transit and legislative initiatives. We enjoy unprecedented quality of life - it will be an engineering challenge to maintain and build that quality as our infrastructure ages - join us as we engage on this important topic.

Our evening starts with a cash bar social time from 5:30 to 6:30 PM, followed by dinner and program from 6:30 to 9:00 PM. Events include an awards ceremony for our local MATHCOUNTS© winners, keynote panel discussion and numerous other special engineering recognitions celebrating engineering achievements in Lynchburg over the past year.

Registration for this event is $25.00, which includes dinner, dessert, and coffee. RSVP to Virgie Beasley at Wiley & Wilson (vbeasley@wileywilson.com or (434) 947-1901) with your menu choice no later than Wednesday, February 14th. Seating is limited, so please respond early to
help us reserve adequate room size. Bring your spouse and invite some guests. THIS IS WILL BE A GREAT EVENING!

Menu Choices for the Sit-Down Dinner: (Vegetarian Plate also available)

- Dinner #1: Chicken - Pan seared chicken with arugula and fennel cream
- Dinner #2: Beef - Crusted N.Y. strip with bourbon sauce and caramelized onions
- Dinner #3: Seafood - Seared salmon with basil pesto and olives

Directions and Parking Information Available by Calling 434-455-2266 or visiting them on the web at: www.jamesriverconferencecenter.com