



ASE Newsletter

Albany, New York

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Emerging contaminants newly threatening our drinking water supply is topic on Feb 27

EMERGING CONTAMINANTS: PFOS AND PFOA

MEETING NOTICE :

Date:

Tuesday, February 27, 2018

Place:

Ramada Plaza Albany
3 Watervliet Avenue Extension
Albany, NY 12206

Time:

5:30 Social Hour (Cash Bar)
6:15 Dinner
7:15 Business Meeting
7:30 Program

Menu:

Yankee Pot Roast (\$28)
Chicken Francaise (\$28)
Parmesan Crusted Tilapia (\$28)
(See page 2 for details)

Reservations:

Email reservations@albansocietyofengineers.org
or call Bernie Schatz at 518-463-4998 (Details on Page 2)

Reservation Deadline:

Wed, Feb. 21, 2018, 9:00 pm



Dan Lang, NYS Department of Health, is guest speaker

This country's drinking water supply is experiencing serious new threats from a set of emerging contaminants. This issue will be the topic of discussion at the Albany Society of Engineer's monthly dinner meeting on February 27. Guest speaker will be Dan Lang, Deputy Director of the Division of Environmental Health Protection at the New York State Department of Health.

Threats to drinking water from emerging and unregulated contaminants have become a national issue over the last decade, with heightened awareness and increasing regulatory activity over the last two years. In 2016 and 2017, New York State initiated a number of actions to address these concerns, including the formation of Governor Cuomo's Water Quality Rapid Response Team, passing of the \$2.5 billion NYS Water Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2017, and the establishment of the NYS Drinking Water Quality Council. The Drinking Water Quality Council's initial charge is to recommend maximum contaminant levels for the emerging contaminants 1,4-dioxane, perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA), and perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS). Mr. Lang will discuss some of the engineering challenges and projects related to water infrastructure improvements in NYS, as well as treatment alternatives to remove 1,4-dioxane, PFOA and PFOS from drinking water supplies.

As Deputy Director of the Division of Environmental Health Protection at the New York State Department of Health, Dan Lang's responsibilities include policy development and implementation in the areas of water supply protection, community environmental health and food protection, and environmental radiation protection. Dan is a New York State Professional Geologist and a Professional Hydrogeologist. He has more than 25 years of experience in the environmental field, having worked as an environmental consultant after receiving his Bachelor's degree in Environmental Science from the University of Rochester and his Master's degree in Hydrogeology from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.



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Menu for the February 27 dinner

Yankee Pot Roast (\$28)

Chicken Francaise (\$28)

Parmesan Crusted Tilapia (\$28)

Each meal includes mixed green salad, rolls, oven roasted red potatoes, glazed carrots, soda, coffee, tea, or decaf, and apple dumplings w/whipped cream for dessert.



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Reservations:

Reservations for the Feb. 27 meeting may be placed by email at reservations@albansocietyofengineers.org or by calling Bernie Schatz at 518-463-4998. Those who are regularly contacted by a caller may also make their reservation by phone with their caller. The deadline for reservations and cancellations is 9:00 p.m. Wed., Feb. 21. The restaurant can accommodate a few people with late reservations, but the number is limited and those who can be accommodated may not have a choice of meals.

(P.S. Please do not respond to the newsletter to place reservations.)

In case of bad weather:

If the dinner needs to be cancelled due to inclement weather, every effort will be made to contact dinner attendees. If you are in doubt and have not heard from us, please call Bernie Schatz at 518-463-4998 for an update.

Open Letter from the Albany Society of Engineers Foundation

The Albany Society of Engineers Foundation is offering members of the Albany Society of Engineers opportunities to support the work of the foundation.

The foundation currently has supported student groups working on environmental, mechanical, robotic, aeronautical and arithmetical programs.

To continue these pursuits funds are needed. Your charitable gift will determine the work that the foundation will be able continue to provide.

The ASEF, a not-for-profit corporation and a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, can accept cash, appreciated stock or other assets (*old car*).

All gifts are fully acknowledged for tax purposes.

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Next board meeting:

ASE's next Board of Director's meeting is set for 7:30 Tues. evening, Mar. 6, at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Delmar.

Upcoming programs:

Mar. 28: TBA

Apr. 24: TBA

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Dues Reminder

Dues for 2018 are \$25. Dues can be paid at the check-in desk or by mail.



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