



# NEDAC News

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## President's Message

The ground hog has forecasted an early spring and so NEDAC is also trying to wake up from its winter slumber. We are planning a series of technical and social events with the Annual Get Together being held in May of this year. I would request members to participate fully in the upcoming events and show support to your alumni association.

During my recent visit to Pakistan, I had a chance to visit my alma mater, NED University of Engineering and Technology (NEDUET) and meet with the Vice Chancellor, Engr. Abul Kalam; the Pro-Vice Chancellor, Dr. Shamsul Haque; Dr. Sarosh Lodi, Chairman Civil Engineering Department and others. They provided me with details of on-

going infrastructure development works, opening of new faculties and acquisition of state of art equipment for various departments. It was heartening to note that NEDUET is on a sound financial footing and has been able to receive educational and research grants from various national and international sources. The Vice Chancellor was pleased to know about the formation of NEDAC and its objectives. His letter addressed to NEDAC is presented on Page 4 in this newsletter.

Once again, I request all members to support NEDAC in its activities through active participation in all its planned events.

## NEDAC's First Seminar on Professional Licencing

N.E.D. Alumni Association Canada (NEDAC) organized its first and well-attended technical seminar on Sunday, November 26, 2006 at the Thorncliffe Library, Toronto for more than 40 participants on the Professional Engineers Ontario (PEO) Licencing Program.

The seminar started with the recitation of Holy Quran and Dr. Zubair Ahmed, P.Eng., President NEDAC, in his welcome address gave a very entertaining presentation on N.E.D. College/University history. He also reiterated needs and objectives of formation of NEDAC.

Mr. Sadiq Pirani, P.Eng., NEDAC Executive Member, provided an

overview on PEO Licencing process and explained the licensure requirements. Mr. Tauseef Shamsi, a guest speaker, walked through the actual PPE exam and highlighted main study features.

Mr. Arshad Azhar, P.Eng., PTOE and Mr. Muhammad Anis, P.Eng., both respected guest speakers have provided detailed information on Experience Review Committee's (ERC) expectations emphasizing the topics and nature of the experience that should be reported and valuable tips on how to prepare for the PEO interview process.

NEDAC will continue to serve their members with similar informative seminar and workshop events in the future.

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## **Editor's Note**

Thanks to all of you who provided feedback on the inaugural issue of **NEDAC News**. We appreciate your thoughtful comments. It was a real pleasure to hear from members and readers from our engineering community. Overall, your comments were quite encouraging. Please keep writing to us on how we are doing.

Again, we would appreciate and are open to suggestions or comments, so please do not hesitate to send them at [sapirani@gmail.com](mailto:sapirani@gmail.com).

As an Engineer in Canada, I like to emphasize on importance of getting involved in professional organizations,

## **NEDAC Technical Library**

The Technical Committee of NEDAC has established a Technical Library where books related to PPE as well as Confirmatory Technical Exams of PEO will be kept for the benefit of the NEDIANS who would need to write the respective Exams.

Mr. Jawaid Inam and Mr. Syed Amir-Ur-Rehman (NEDAC Members working in Saudi Arabia) have donated the following books to the Library:

1. "Canadian Professional Engineering Practice and Ethics", published by Nelson Thomson.
2. "Law for Professional Engineers", published by McGraw Hill- Ryerson.

These books were used by a fellow NEDIAN who wrote the Law & Ethics exam in December 2006.

Mr. Abid Asghar is the Custodian of the Library who will maintain the records of

like Professional Engineers Ontario (PEO), Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE), respective provincial organizations and NEDAC. It gives you an opportunity to meet with other professional engineers and keeps you informed of new development in your field of expertise.

I would encourage each and every member of NEDAC to participate and make their presence shown in the professional engineering communities.

Thank you.

**Sadiq A. Pirani, P.Eng.**

availability and issuance of these books.

Any NEDAC member who would like borrow these books may contact [ned.alumni.ca@gmail.com](mailto:ned.alumni.ca@gmail.com). The books will be issued on "first come, first served" basis with a security deposit of \$20.00 per book.

Donation of books related to PPE or Technical Exam to the Technical Library will be highly appreciated.

### **NEDAC Website Update:**

**The Website Sub-committee chaired by Mr. Ghulam Hussain Malik is working hard in progressive speed to develop NEDAC website. Stay tuned for the website inaugural announcement in coming days...**

## NEDAC Photo Gallery



Dr. Zubair Ahmed, President NEDAC on a tour of Laboratory Facilities with Prof. Dr. Sarosh Lodi, Chairman, Civil Engineering Department, NED University of Engineering and Technology (NEDUET), Karachi during his visit.



NEDAC Seminar on PEO Licencing held on Sunday, November 26, 2006 at Thorncliffe Library in Toronto, Canada

### **Save the Dates for upcoming Seminar and Annual Get-Together!**

#### **Technical Seminar:**

NEDAC is arranging its 2nd Technical Seminar on "Protection of Industrial Power System" on Saturday, March 24, 2007 at 2.30 pm at ELM Bank Community Centre, 10-Rampart Road, Etobicoke. The Guest Speaker is Mr. Saeed A. Khan, P.Eng., a Senior Engineer at R. V. Anderson Associates Limited, Toronto. Attendance for the NEDAC Members is FREE. Non-members will be charged a nominal entrance fee of \$5.00, payable at the registration desk.

#### **NEDians Annual Get-Together:**

The Annual Get-together of NEDIANS is planned to be held on Saturday, May 19, 2007. It will be a Gala Dinner with families followed by a musical program. The details will be provided soon.

## Letter from Engr. Abul Kalam, Vice Chancellor of NEDUET



*A. Kalam C.Eng.*

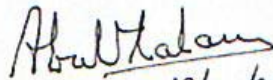
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### Message

1. It was an extremely pleasant surprise for the NED University on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2007 to receive one of its Alumni Dr. Zubair Ahmed and hear from him that an NED Alumni Association of Canada had been formed with the designation **NEDAC - NED Association of Canada** and that Dr. Zubair Ahmed was its elected President.
2. The NED College which started working in 1922, and became an University in 1977 has had its Alumni working for several years, not only in Pakistan but also in several countries abroad. For various reasons, however it was not possible until recently for the University and its Alumni to maintain close contact and benefit continuously from the mutual interaction between them. Fortunately, with improving conditions, Alumni Associations are now being formed in several countries abroad – the latest being in Canada.
3. News about NEDAC is particularly heartening. The systematic manner in which it has been formed, proper elections organized and information disseminated give rise to high hopes for its future; I wish it all success.

  
A. Kalam  
Vice-Chancellor  
18/01/2007.

## Sponsorship Opportunity in NEDAC Souvenir



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Sub: Advertisement Rates for NED Alumni Association's Souvenir- 2007

Dear Sir / Madam,

I am pleased to inform you that the NED Alumni Association Canada (NEDAC) is going to hold its Annual Get-together on Saturday, May 19, 2007 in which approximately 400 people consisting of the graduates of NED University of Engineering and Technology / NED Engineering College, Karachi and their families living in Canada are expected to attend.

NEDAC will be publishing a Souvenir on the occasion which will include the Directory of NEDAC Members as well. The Advertisement Rates for the Souvenir are as follows:

Position	Rate
Back Cover Outside , Full page, colour	\$ 350.00
Back Cover Inside, colour	\$ 250.00
Front Cover Inside, colour	\$ 300.00
Inside Full Page, Black & White	\$ 150.00
Inside Half Page Black & White	\$ 100.00
Inside Quarter Page, Black & White	\$ 60.00
Inside Business Card, Black & White	\$ 30.00

You may also choose to sponsor the event by placing one banner of your business in the hall for an amount of \$ 500.00.

All advertising requests along with the complete advertising material, preferably electronic file and the appropriate payment in the form of cheque must be received by NEDAC latest by May 05 , 2007.

All cheques shall be made payable to "NED Alumni Association Canada".

We look forward to your co-operation.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Zubair Ahmed'.

Dr. Zubair Ahmed, P. Eng.  
President

cc: NEDAC 2006-2008 Board Members