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President's Message

"An event to cherish; a night to remember." An apt description of NEDAC's First Annual Get-together and Musical Evening.

When we started planning for the event, I had my doubts on whether we would be able to pull it off and expecting empty seats within the banquet facility. But NEDAC members through their enthusiastic participation and response have proved me wrong and made the NEDAC Board proud. I would like to thank each and every one of you for placing your trust in us and for participating in such large numbers. We plan to keep this tradition alive and organize it on a bigger scale in the coming years. Events like these require a lot of planning and execution and some of the Board members and volunteers have gone beyond the call of duty in making this event a success. They deserve our accolades. I would

personally like to thank the spouses of two Board members, Mrs. Syed Naseeruddin and Mrs. Alim Muhammad for their voluntary work in managing the reception desk.

The party is now over and its time to move on. We are planning a series of technical seminars for the interest of the alumni members who would like to upgrade their professional and personal skills and practices as applicable to the Canadian job market. Work on further enhancing the NEDAC webpage is in progress under the direction of one of the Board members, Mr. Ghulam Malik. We will keep you informed through the Newsletters and e-mails. As always, we look forward to receiving your feedback on our efforts to make NEDAC a dynamic and vibrant alumni association.

Dr. Zubair Ahmed, P.Eng.

NEDAC Website Inaugurated

We are glad to announce the inauguration of the newly designed NEDAC website with special thanks to Mr. Ghulam Malik, an Executive Board Member and his team who has put lot of efforts and time to develop such an elegant website.

NEDAC members can now visit the website at www.nedalumnicanada.org that has information on:

- NEDAC's primary goals, objectives and by-laws,
- Elected board members' introduction and contact email addresses,
- NEDAC Members' Database

- Past and planned NEDAC activities, such as technical workshops / seminars and social events,
- Archived NEDAC Newsletters,
- Professional Engineers Ontario (PEO) licensing program,
- Brief history of N.E.D. College / University of Engineering and Technology, Karachi and link to the University's website, and
- Important links to various professional engineering associations and organizations websites, professional engineering job sites and other sites of general interest.

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Editor's Note

I was fortunate to see and it was great pleasure meeting with most of the NEDAC members and their families and guests during the annual get-together event last month. It was a pleasant surprise for us, as NEDAC Board members, to get this kind of overwhelming response to our call. We were encouraged by your participation and do appreciate your affiliation and affection with the association.

Mr. Muhammad Idrees Khan deserves heartiest applaud on managing to organize this wonderful event.

I like to take this opportunity to appreciate Syed Naseeruddin, Fayyaz Siddiqui, Shams-ul-Arefeen and other member volunteers for their great efforts and valuable time in developing the first NEDAC Souvenir with members' information which we had distributed to all the members.

We are dedicated to serve continuously

NEDAC organized a Successful Annual Get-Together

The NED Alumni Association Canada (NEDAC) organized a wonderful and entertaining annual get-together and musical program on Saturday, May 19, 2007. The event was held at the Thorncliffe Banquet Hall, Toronto. Approximately 400 people including members with families and guests attended this year's banquet.

The program commenced with the recitation of the Holy Quran, followed by speeches from NEDAC President, Dr. Zubair Ahmed, Education Minister of Ontario, Hon. Kathleen Wynne and Consul General of Pakistan, Hon. Tassaduq Hussain.

Mr. Aftab Rizvi presented his satirical article which was greatly enjoyed by the audience. Mr. Sharif Ahmed was the EMCEE of the program.

our member community and others by conducting technical seminars / workshops and social events and will keep you all informed regarding future events through NEDAC website and newsletter that can help to start and/or advance their professional career as Engineers in Canada. Thank you.

Sadiq A. Pirani, P.Eng.

Technical Seminar

NEDAC announces new technical seminar on ***"Preparing for a Professional Career in Canada"***. The seminar detail, date and location will be announced soon on NEDAC website at:

www.nedalumnicanada.org

The seminar information will also be disseminated to all the registered members via email.

A sumptuous dinner was served followed by a wonderful musical program. Young NEDIAN singer Hashmi Khan and Janita entertained the audience with fast paced songs in their melodious voices followed by another NEDAIN singer Shah Quarin Ahmad. Mr. Ahmed mesmerized the audience with geets, ghazals and Qawalis. The program also included lucky draws.

In the end, NEDAC Social Secretary, Mr. Mohammad Idrees Khan thanked the organizing committee, volunteers and guests for their participation in the successful and entertaining event.

Altogether the whole event was organized by the NEDians, Sponsored by many NEDians, attended by NEDians and their families and the performing artists were all NEDians.

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NEDAC Annual Get-Together (Photo Courtesy: Sahir Zamir)





Send your Comments

Please send us your comments and feedbacks about NEDAC annual get-together. We would like to hear from you that what part of the program you enjoyed most and suggestions for improvement.

We also like to know what you think about NEDAC website. You can send your comments and valuable suggestions to our email address at:

info@nedalumnicanada.org

Join NEDAC

All members are requested to inform their non-member NEDian friends to join NEDAC.

The Membership Form may be downloaded from NEDAC website at:

www.nedalumnicanada.org

Completed applications can be mailed to the association's official address along with membership fee cheque payable to NEDAC.