



# THE PIPELINE

## LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

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As summer arrives in full - temperatures rising, thunderstorms in the afternoon - I've found that there is nothing more that I like to do than to curl up with a good book. While I do enjoy taking a mental break by strolling through Middle Earth or having a space adventure with the Betan Expeditionary Force, I do find myself sometimes reaching for nonfiction: Educated by Tara Westover, White Rage by Carol Anderson, or Grit by Angela Duckworth. For me, a long (but well organized) block of text is the perfect way to learn more about someone else's experiences or tips to help me improve my efficacy.

I think this type of reading is essential to my growth as a human and even as an engineer. Learning something new about the world not only stimulates my brain and keeps it active, but it grows my knowledge and understanding of what's happening around me. Sometimes to be the best at my job, I need to slow down and make sure my foundation of

engineering is good. Sometimes I need to know more about what's going on in the world in order to have intelligent conversations with my friends and family. And sometimes, I just want to have a cool fact ready for a (virtual) party. (Did you know that people with nerve damage in their hands won't experience wrinkly fingers when wet?)

This month, we don't have a program for you to attend. In lieu of that, I encourage you to take some time to learn about something you've been putting off or you have always wanted to. It can be about distillation, process safety, viruses, doughnuts, or the history of Dungeons and Dragons. I recognize reading isn't the best way to do this for everyone - some prefer podcasts, news articles, or interviews. All of these are valid ways to learn. If you stumble across something really cool or weird or groundbreaking for engineering, send it to me! I'll share all of your fun facts next month and we can all learn something new together.



## PROGRAMS

Programs are taking a break for the summer and will resume in September. Never fear, there is still plenty of content available on AIChE.org. Do not forget to use your webinar credits included in your AIChE Global membership.

The Programming Committee is working on programs for the remainder of the year. If you have any Programming suggestions please share! You can join the programming committee or share your ideas by contacting Sal at [Salvatore.Arena@eastman.com](mailto:Salvatore.Arena@eastman.com)

## BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

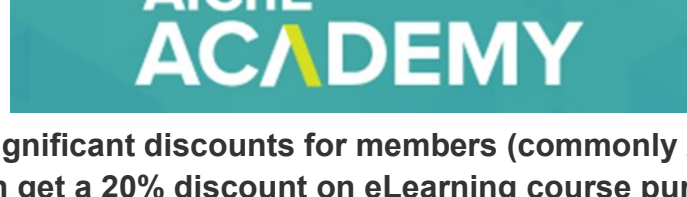
STEVE MILLER

Have you been looking for ways to broaden your skillset, brush up on some technical concepts, improve your efficiency with common tools, and/or earn Professional Development Hour credits? AIChE Academy is an excellent resource and is another means by which AIChE supports our profession. AIChE Academy provides a wide range of educational and training opportunities for chemical engineers. AIChE Academy delivers courses, presentations and videos that help chemical engineers learn, offering nearly 100 courses – a significant number of which are online/eLearning courses. Topic categories include: Chemical Engineering Practice, Process Safety, Chemical Operations and Materials, Biological Engineering, Sustainability & Environment, and Professional Development.

Check it out at [www.aidhe.org/academy](http://www.aidhe.org/academy). You can search content by topic, availability of CEUs and PDHs, delivery method, skill level –

even location. The ever-growing catalog of materials includes eLearning courses, seminar-style training sessions held in cities around the US, webinars, conference presentations, and more. As noted on the website, the materials offered through AIChE Academy have been developed and vetted by leading experts in the technical subject areas. These experts are members of AIChE and its Technological Communities including the Center for Chemical Process Safety (CCPS), the Society for Biological Engineering (SBE), the Institute for Sustainability (IfS), and the International Society for Water Solutions (ISWS).

And if you are a subject matter expert and would consider developing and delivering a new educational offering, the website provides a means by which to propose ideas. They are always looking for new technical and career development content.






There are significant discounts for members (commonly 25-50%), and you can get a 20% discount on eLearning course purchases made through July 31

Importantly, to support members and the discipline while many are working virtually, AIChE has create a hub for online content. Simply search the web for "AIChE COVID-19 Resource Hub". Then click on the *Technical and Career Content* link.

Start learning today!

## AICHE GLOBAL NEWS

	<p><b>Celebrate 50 years of AIChE's Environmental Division!</b></p> <p>This year marks 50 years for AIChE's Environmental Division, an anniversary it shares with the National Environmental Policy Act, Earth Day, and the formation of the Environmental Protection Agency. The Environmental Division is commemorating this landmark and celebrating the environmental contributions of chemical engineers through a series of events and publications.</p> <p>Learn more: <a href="https://www.aidhe.org/chenected/2020/05/help-us-celebrate-environmental-divisions-50th-year">https://www.aidhe.org/chenected/2020/05/help-us-celebrate-environmental-divisions-50th-year</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.aidhe.org/community/sites/divisions-forums/environmental-division">https://www.aidhe.org/community/sites/divisions-forums/environmental-division</a></p>
	<p><b>Learn more about the All for Good campaign and AIChE's Diversity and Inclusion initiatives!</b></p> <p>Engineering for Inclusion is core priority of the Doing a World of Good Campaign.</p> <p>Resources: <a href="https://www.aidhe.org/topics/societal-impact/equity-diversity-inclusion">https://www.aidhe.org/topics/societal-impact/equity-diversity-inclusion</a></p>
	<p><b>Meet AIChE's 2020 Election Candidates!</b></p> <p>Voting by paper and electronic proxy ballot will begin on <b>September 14 and end on October 19</b>. The election results will be announced on <b>November 16</b>, during the Annual Business Meeting.</p> <p>Learn more and meet the nominees here: <a href="https://www.aidhe.org/about/governance/elections/2020-board-directors-election">https://www.aidhe.org/about/governance/elections/2020-board-directors-election</a></p>

IF YOU HAVE SUGGESTIONS FOR GLOBAL AIChE NEWS THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE FEATURED IN OUR NEWSLETTER, PLEASE EMAIL TENI BUTLER [TRBUTLER@EASTMAN.COM](mailto:TRBUTLER@EASTMAN.COM).

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