



# THE PIPELINE

## LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

ERIN EKART

The past month has been a lot of fun for me as all of you have sent me fun (and funny) facts. The deluge of data started early when a friend asked me to chicken sit. In the instructions, I was also informed that the chickens would love any of my leftovers, including hotdogs, but not raw potatoes, coffee grounds, or raw beans. The animal facts continued to pour in.

One of our board members shared that since the start of quarantine, he has taken to walking daily and on those walks, has photographed 26 species of birds in his Johnson City neighborhood, including Great Blue Herons, Green Heron and Red Tailed Hawks.

If you want to learn more about butterflies, click here to listen to a [short podcast](#). One concerned member would like to warn of the impending [bushy-tailed invasion](#). I received recommendations for a book, Hillbilly Elegy by J.D. Vance,

and a documentary, The Earth is Flat. I was told to mark my calendar for May 29<sup>th</sup> "Put a Pillow on your Fridge Day", to usher in a year of prosperity and good fortune. More soberingly, EWB shared statistics on lack of clean water around the globe: 1 in 4 health care facilities lack basic water services and 2.4 billion people lack access to basic sanitation services. The reality of COVID makes those facts even more daunting. All-in-all, I am very impressed with the amount of learning our chapter did over the past month.

While this was a fun activity, I am excited to reengage with you all again through our more traditional methods. Our programs are starting up again next month and we are looking at ways to hold safe networking events in the last half of the year. We will be sending out our survey in the next couple of months and we will be holding officer elections for next year. I hope to see and hear from all of you!




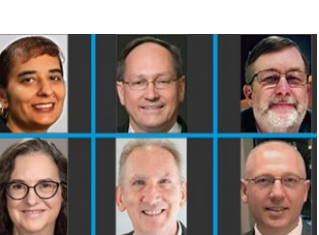
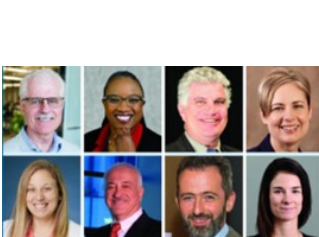
## PROGRAMS

SAL ARENA

I hope that everyone is doing well! As we start to get away from the summer time, we're getting ready to make a return to our normal programming schedule. As we've been seeing, more and more folks are returning to their offices in some form or capacity. Unfortunately, we still aren't able to gather in person and enjoy some pizza and live speakers. However, it's still important to stay knowledgeable and diligent in the fight against Covid-19. That being said, Global AIChE has provided a free webinar **An Aerosol Science Perspective on SARS-CoV-2**. This presentation discusses the science behind aerosol and droplet transmission of viruses to help inform safe behaviors. Be on the lookout for a meeting notice for Tuesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> from 12pm-1pm as a placeholder to view the webinar, and follow up discussion afterwards. I look forward to catching back up with you all that can attend!

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)

## AICHE GLOBAL NEWS

	<p><b>AIChE Announces First Virtual Annual Meeting, Nov. 16-20, 2020.</b></p> <p>Join in November for AIChE's 2020 Annual Meeting. AIChE looks forward to providing you with a unique, virtual experience that will enhance your career development and professional growth and to sharing quality time and great programming.</p> <p>Learn more: <a href="https://www.aiche.org/conferences/aiche-annual-meeting/2020">https://www.aiche.org/conferences/aiche-annual-meeting/2020</a></p>
	<p><b>Meet some of AIChE's 2020 Fellows!</b></p> <p>The rank of Fellow is AIChE's highest grade of membership and is achieved only through election by the Board of Directors. Candidates for AIChE Fellow are nominated by their peers and must have significant chemical engineering experience (generally 25 years), must have demonstrated significant service to the profession, and must have been a member of AIChE for at least 10 years. More fellows will be introduced in future issues of CEP and on ChEnected.</p> <p>Meet these fellows: <a href="https://www.aiche.org/chenedected/2020/08/introducing-some-aiches-new-fellows">https://www.aiche.org/chenedected/2020/08/introducing-some-aiches-new-fellows</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.aiche.org/about/governance/elections/2020-board-directors-election">https://www.aiche.org/about/governance/elections/2020-board-directors-election</a></p>

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