



# Washington Area Railway Engineering Society

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Dear Colleague:

The Washington Area Railway Engineering Society (WARES) is celebrating its 40<sup>th</sup> year of providing the Washington-Baltimore area railroad and rail transit professionals the opportunity to meet informally and discuss common interests. Last year was a difficult year for the nation and for the WARES scholarship endowment fund, with one of our lowest receipts in recent years. As we and the entire world look to put 2020 and the COVID-19 pandemic behind us, we see the future of the heavy railroad and transit industry as an area of tremendous growth for our nation. Now is the time to invest in our future leaders and engineers by joining and supporting WARES.

Considering the financial hardships many individuals and businesses have recently experienced, I want to especially thank those who have supported WARES in 2020. To our longtime sponsors, I hope you will continue to support WARES and the scholarship fund.

With the end of the pandemic in sight, we plan to return to normal meetings starting with our meeting at the Baltimore Engineer's Club in October. WARES typically hosts four dinner meetings a year, each with an attitude adjustment hour, followed by dinner and a brief technical presentation. We also will hold the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual WARES Golf Classic on September 16, 2021. Please continue to monitor our website for meeting notices, updates and changes at [WARESDC.com](http://WARESDC.com).

WARES funds the educational development of students interested in careers in the rail industry through scholarships at local universities. In 2020 WARES scholarship awards were made through the University of Delaware and Penn State University at Altoona.

Your help in continuing and expanding WARES, and especially its support of promoting careers in the rail industry is needed. Please consider passing this letter within your company or organization as a way of introducing WARES to future members, and within your organization to the individual who can authorize a sponsorship. To express our appreciation for their generosity, WARES prints sponsors names on program cards distributed at each meeting and publishes sponsor names on our website. Send your **tax-deductible sponsorship of \$500.00** and/or a designated educational support contribution made payable to WARES address provided in the donation attachment. To donate electronically, [Click Here](#) to access our Eventbrite/WARES contribution site. Whether contributing by check or electronic transfer, please return the attached invoice form with completed information about your firm.

I look forward to seeing you and other members of your firm at our 2021 WARES events. If you have any questions, please call me at (570) 295-3572 or email me at [pschuler@atlantictrack.com](mailto:pschuler@atlantictrack.com).

Sincerely,

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