From the Director

Where did spring semester go? It doesn't seem possible but here we are, planning to celebrate the year's many successes this coming Tuesday, May 3rd. (You did register for the end of year celebration, right?) Beyond celebrating all of you and what we've accomplished together, I'll be announcing the 2016 WE're in Motion Mentors and winners of our inaugural Instagram photo contest. Submissions were so fantastic that we picked 5 winners instead of 4!

Start thinking about the role you'd like to play in this year's WE@RIT Engineering Open House, taking place Saturday, November 5th. Details are below. You'll also learn more about
a brand new program we'll be piloting in Spring 2017 to help you gain leadership and presentation skills. These are both wonderful opportunities to grow as engineering professionals while inspiring young women. Win-win!

I'll conclude by saying THANK YOU to all of the volunteers from the 2016 WE Retreat. Like so many things, we just couldn't do it without you. Hope to see you Tuesday!

- Kathy

WE Retreat Success!

A big thank you to all of the volunteers and hosts who helped make this WE@RIT Retreat a huge success! We received a lot of positive feedback from participants and parents, such as "The WE@RIT Retreat made my decision to attend RIT!" and "I loved the welcoming atmosphere. Everyone was excited and eager to answer questions and made me feel like I belonged." For more photos of the event, feel free to visit our Facebook page using the button below!
WE@RIT Fall Open House
Call for Volunteers!

Saturday, November 5th, 2016 from 9:00AM-1:00PM

Save the Date: It’s our second annual WE@RIT Engineering Open House! Our first open house was such a rousing success thanks to the many volunteers who set the bar very high! It’s not too early to begin thinking about the role you’d like to play this fall. We’ll need:

* **Leadership Team Members** from Every Major: (~2-3 women per major). These volunteers have the most prominent, resume-building role in the event, and must be at least 2nd year students in the fall. Leadership Team (LT) Members identify and plan 3-5 activities that tie back to their major, undergo a design review of those activities, create hand-outs to accompany those activities, and staff their activity tables with women from their major. Looking for a leg-up in obtaining a co-op? This role is designed to help you stand out from the crowd.

* **Activity Volunteers** from Every Major: (~2 women per activity table). These volunteers present activities to visiting 5th - 9th graders from 2-4 hours. They also assist in set-up and/or tear-down. This is a great way to step into a leadership role that applies to your field of study. All years are welcome.
**Tour Guides**: (~10 women). These volunteers lead groups of visitors around KGCOE on guided tours at designated times. Tour script is provided. All years welcome.

Look for more information in the fall and prepare to hit the ground running! November 5th will be here before we know it!

**End of the Year Cookout**

*Tuesday, May 3rd from 6:00-7:30PM* in Erdle Commons.

Join us as we thank our amazing WE@RIT volunteers who have helped us throughout the 2015-2016 year! Come celebrate a successful 2015-2016 year with delicious food and wonderful company! Registration required. Register by this Sunday, May 1st!

[Register Here!](#)

[More Information!](#)

**Coming Spring 2017: Girl Scouts Explore Engineering with WE@RIT**

This is a new opportunity for the women of KGCOE to utilize their leadership skills and hone their small group presentations skills in a way that ties back to their major. Engineering student volunteers will work with small groups of Girl Scouts (grades 4-9) to lead a design-build activity for about one hour that applies to the volunteer's engineering major, and utilizes the Engineering Design Process. Volunteers can sign up to lead an activity for one or all sessions, and may choose to develop their own activity or use one suggested by WE@RIT. This is a great way to not only inspire young women, but to build your resume with skills that potential co-op partners and employers are looking for in today's market.

Sessions will take place on **Saturdays: 3/14/17, 3/25/17 and 4/22/17, from 10:00-11:30AM**. If you want to step into a leadership role and influence young women while growing your own skills, keep an eye out for
more information coming your way in the 2016-2017 school year! All years are welcome.

**Society of Women Engineers**

*Want more information about upcoming SWE events? Click below to learn more about SWE here at RIT!*

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**The SWE Annual Conference** is being held in Philadelphia, PA from **October 27th - 29th, 2016.** The conference costs $450; seats are first come first served!

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**Annual Conference Information**

Congratulations to WE@RIT Director Kathy Ehrlich-Scheffer and SWE Chapter Advisor Dr. Marca Lam, whose SWE conference session proposal was selected among over 850 applications! Kathy and Marca will be presenting "Re-engineering K-12 Outreach: WE@RIT Engineering Open House" at this year's Annual Conference.

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**Hot Wheelz**

With competition right around the corner, Hot Wheelz has been putting the final touches on their vehicle. They will be competing in the Formula SAE competition in Loudon, New Hampshire for the first time ever! Learn all about the history of the team by reading the article "Driven", written by Mindy Mozer, featured in the RIT University News, by clicking on the button below!