The Society of Women Engineers (SWE), founded in 1950, is a not-for-profit educational and service organization. SWE is the driving force that establishes engineering as a highly desirable career aspiration for women. SWE empowers women to succeed and advance in those aspirations and be recognized for their life-changing contributions and achievements as engineers and leaders.

The Eastern Washington Section of SWE was chartered June 23, 1976.

EWS is part of Region J, whose mission is to support the National goals of stimulating women to achieve full potential in careers as engineers and leaders, expanding the image of the engineering profession as a positive force in improving the quality of life, and demonstrating the value of diversity in our Region.

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Eastern Washington SWE Vision Story

All types of people come to SWE events; members, non-members, retirees, students, young professionals, and men. Attendees were attracted to the event because they heard about it from media, a friend or colleague, their employer, another technical society, or their teacher. SWE has wide recognition in the community and all events are well publicized by SWE, as well as non-SWE organizations or individuals. People were incentivized to come to the event because it sounded interesting and unique, it’s something that other organizations don’t offer and they wouldn’t have had an opportunity to do otherwise.

The topic of the events are relevant to work or life. The events have social, professional, technical, and/or outreach components that give experience or teach about new concepts or ideas. The events have both learning and listening portions and a discussion-based interactive portion for general attendees. Attendees are able to learn about SWE (local, regional, and national) and network with other professionals to learn about other opportunities in the area or possible new career paths. The attendees are excited, engaged, and look forward to the next SWE event. Members, especially new members, have the opportunity to get more involved and gain experience organizing, presenting, and mentoring.

2016-2017 Events

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Benefits of SWE:

- **Professional Development Opportunities**
  - Free webinars and podcasts
  - SWE Magazine and newsletters
  - Technical Tours and Speakers
- **Networking**
  - Region & Society Conferences
  - Local events
  - Social Media communities
- **Scholarships**
- **Career Center Access**
  - Internships
  - Employment
  - Career Planning Tools
- **Leadership Experience** within SWE – locally, regionally and nationally

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