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Our favorite symposium is almost here. We will be in Orlando, Florida for our Seventeenth Biennial HMS Symposium October 22<sup>nd</sup> -25<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Symposium sign up and booth registration is being handled through our new and improved website:

<https://heavymovablestructures.org/symposium/>.

Please ensure you book your booth and hotel rooms. We need to guarantee a minimum number of guests per night in order to secure our exhibit space, and of course, to make the 17th Biennial HMS Symposium another successful one. Become a Marriott Rewards Program member to ensure Wi-Fi and other benefits with your hotel room.

As I mentioned in the previous newsletter, we are looking for volunteers to service our organization. HMS success depends on the involvement and participation of all members and supporters. Please reach out to your peers and help us promote our organization. We accept all volunteers; just let us know, and we will put you to work!

Thank you to all who submitted abstracts. We have received many interesting topics. This is critical to our mission of information exchange among bridge owners, government agencies, designers, contractors, suppliers, and other groups involved in movable bridges and heavy movable structures.

As we get closer to the Symposium, we will inform you of our unique speakers, as well as the programs and functions that we are preparing for you. We hope to see you all fully engaged in another successful symposium in Orlando!

*Graciela Patino*

Chairman of the Board

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# *Spring has Arrived!*

**-President James Alison**

Spring has finally arrived in the South, and I am already looking forward to the fall. The 2018 HMS symposium is just around the corner. Frank Marzella has a full slate of great abstracts. Please wrap up your paper and send it in if you have not already done so. Dan Appelbaum has sold almost all of the exhibit spaces. If your company is planning to exhibit, please let him know soon, there are only a few spaces left. We already have commitments from six companies who have not had booths before, or at least not recently. Thank you to Bosch Rexroth, Cleveland Gear, Ellwood City Forge, Panatrol, PCL Civil Constructors, and Elcommtech—we look forward to seeing your displays.

Please don't forget to renew your membership, register for the show, and book your hotel rooms; October 22 will be here before you know it! If anyone has problems with reservations or questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. The officers and I are all committed to having a fun and informative event.

The updated website is wonderful! Thank you to Dan Appelbaum and Mickey Harrison for working through the change-over and getting the site back up and running with more functionality than we have ever had. Take a look when you have a chance: [www.heavymovablestructures.org](http://www.heavymovablestructures.org)

The Renaissance hotel has been very welcoming to our group and committed to providing a great experience for all. We are working with Seaworld for an offsite event that will be fun for all ages. One of the main reasons for our returning to Orlando is for us to bring families and enjoy the attractions. If you have been on the fence about attending, please consider all the benefits of hearing the technical presentations, seeing exhibitors, networking, and having family fun.

Have a great spring and summer, and I look forward to seeing you all in the fall.

*James Alison*  
**President**

## **17<sup>TH</sup> BIENNIAL MOVABLE BRIDGE SYMPOSIUM**

**October 22 – 25, 2018**

**LOCATED AT THE**

**Renaissance Orlando at Sea World**

**8623 Vineland Avenue, Orlando, FL 32821.**

For Hotel Reservations Click: <https://aws.passkey.com/go/HeavyMovable2018>



# ***Reach out to your Contacts!***

***-Senior Vice-President John Proven***

The 2018 HMS Symposium in Orlando, FL is coming up quickly in October. The officers and directors are very excited about the upcoming program and the technical presentations. As always, we are looking for volunteers to help with registration, membership, and general support during the proceedings. I understand that Frank Marzella has received an outstanding response from potential presenters receiving abstracts, it will be a great Symposium! If you can volunteer, please contact an officer or a board member if you have any questions.

As many know, exhibitors are an integral part of the symposium that we depend on for the overall success of the organization. The exhibitor layout is posted on the website, and we have added space as we expect several new participants. Since we have increased the number of exhibit spaces, if you know of a potential exhibitor, please encourage them to check out the website and reserve a spot.

For those who have participated in the symposium previously, you know that the organization and the event is very rich with focus and technical expertise in all facets of the movable structures industry. The technical presentations allow individuals to earn continuing education credits to support their professional registration requirements. As with last year, several papers will also allow individuals to receive credit for the New York State PE certification.

We are expecting to increase attendance over our 2016 symposium in Tampa, which experienced record attendance, so please reach out to your contacts and remind them about the event.

Thank you, and we appreciate the opportunity to serve you,

***John G. Proven, P.E.***  
***Senior Vice-President***



## **Secure your Exhibition Booth Today!**

**Spots are limited and going quickly... See the Exhibition Layout at**

**[https://  
heavymovablestructures.org/  
wp-content/](https://heavymovablestructures.org/wp-content/)**

# *Technical Program Update*

*-Vice President* **Frank Marzella**

Thanks to all who have submitted abstracts for this year's event. We have a full schedule of technical presentations on a multitude of topics. For those of you who have received approval of your abstract, the paper and presentation submittal schedule is:

Written Papers Past Due – **April 13, 2018**  
Power Point Presentations Due – **July 1, 2018**

Also, if you are willing to qualify your paper for NYS approved PDHs, please let me know as soon as possible. We will need your completed paper, presentation, a short bio of the presenter, and a list of 10 questions that will follow the presentation (preferably multiple choice or true/false).

If anyone is interested in organizing a panel and running a "Round Table Discussion" session please contact me to discuss your topic ideas. Panel discussions are a nice departure from the formal presentations and allow for multiple member involvement.

Thank you to all who have already volunteered to be a session monitor for this year's Symposium. We will need at least 20 session monitors, and we still have many slots remaining. Please contact me if you wish to participate as a session monitor.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

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**[www.heavymovablestructures.org](http://www.heavymovablestructures.org)**

# *Time to Register*

*- Secretary Lee Lentz*

If you have never been, or it has been a while, or the family is ready for a fun trip, here is your chance! You can sign up for a membership and register for the upcoming Symposium right on the website. Go to <https://heavymovablestructures.org/symposium/> and click on the REGISTRATION link. Please register early to take advantage of our early bird registration rates. Join HMS as a Member today and receive a discount when registering for the upcoming 17th Biennial Heavy Movable Structures Symposium.

Are you an active AREMA Committee 15 member? We have some good options for you. Your Fall 2018 meeting will overlap with us in Orlando. An abbreviated HMS track for you while you are in Orlando for AREMA will be available through your normal AREMA meeting assessment. If you would like to have full access to HMS we have an AREMA-HMS track for you. The details will be shared with you at the May AREMA C15 meeting.

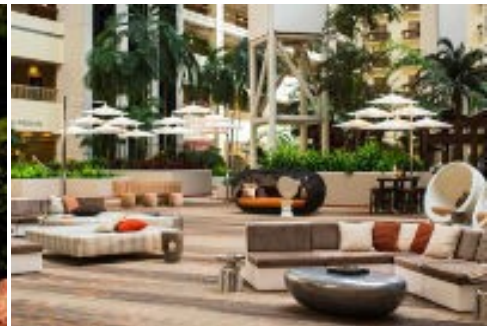
The technical program at the Symposium is shaping up to be very informative. If you have a Professional Engineering license, you can earn valuable Professional Development Hours that many states require for P.E. license renewal. And we will again have select presentations that qualify as New York State approved PDH's!!!

Visit our Website today! Check your membership expiration date by logging in to your account. Be sure and renew if your membership is about to expire.

Please continue to visit our website [www.heavymovablestructures.org](http://www.heavymovablestructures.org) on a regular basis for updates and for access to the "HMS News Briefs". Also included on the website you can verify and update your membership registration status and access past technical papers. If your contact information has changed recently please take time to provide that through the link on the website as well.

*Lee Lentz,*  
**Secretary**

***Check out Orlando at the Renaissance Hotel Sea World!***  
**Become a Marriott Rewards Program member to capitalize on your benefits**



# TREASURER'S REPORT

- *Treasurer Daniel Appelbaum*

The website [heavymovablestructures.org](http://heavymovablestructures.org) has been updated and we now accept payment for Membership, Symposium Attendees, and Exhibitor's Booths. We also now accept American Express! Thank you to those who have already reserved a booth for this year's Symposium. There are still a handful of exhibitor's spaces available, but they are going quickly. If your company has not already reserved an exhibitor's booth, go to the website and reserve one today. The booth layout is updated on a regular basis – so you can see who your booth neighbors will be.

If you've let your membership lapse, take a moment now to go to the website and renew it. In addition to a discount for this year's Symposium, your membership allows you access to the wealth of information in Technical Papers from the last 16 Symposia, and a vote for the new Vice President and Board of Directors.

If you haven't registered for the Symposium, now is the time to do that. You can use the Registration Form in this Newsletter or you can register directly through the HMS Store on the website. There are two ways to receive a discount on your Symposium attendance fee.

## ***Member's Discount Early Registration Discount***

To receive a **Member's Discount** to attend this year's Symposium, your membership dues must be current and you must **register for the symposium by June 30**. Note that we extended this Member's Discount deadline. The **Early Registration** discount of \$75 will not be available after **July 31**.

If there are any questions about the website, exhibitor registration, attendee registration, or membership, feel free to contact me at any time.

Thanks, and I look forward to seeing you in Orlando.

*Daniel Appelbaum*  
HMS Treasurer



## **Register Today! 2018 HMS Biennial Symposium**

***Member Registration  
Non-Member Registration  
Exhibitor Booth Registration***

**<http://heavymovablestructures.org/2018-biennial-movable-bridge-symposium/>**



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**17TH BIENNIAL SYMPOSIUM**  
**October 22, 23, 24 & 25, 2018**

CODE

Renaissance Orlando at SeaWorld®, Orlando, FL  
6677 Sea Harbor Drive Orlando, FL 32821

*Please Make Hotel Room Reservations Directly with the Renaissance (a Marriot Property).  
Call (407) 351-5555 OR Use Reservation Link on HMS Website*

**MAIL-IN REGISTRATION FORM**

>>>PLEASE PRINT<<<

DATE: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

ATTENDEE'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ 1st name (for nametag) \_\_\_\_\_

COMPANY \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE/PROVENCE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTRY: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (If Attending)

**PAY NOW BY CHECK or REGISTER ON-LINE @ [Heavymovablestructures.org](http://Heavymovablestructures.org)**

*(Note: To receive Member pricing, Membership Dues must be paid before April 30, 2018)*

ATTENDEE: ☐ \$590.00 NON-MEMBER ☐ \$490.00 ELIGIBLE HMS MEMBER  
MEMBER - ID# \_\_\_\_\_

GOV. EMPLOYEE: ☐ \$475.00 NON-MEMBER ☐ \$375.00 ELIGIBLE HMS MEMBER  
MEMBER - ID# \_\_\_\_\_

STUDENT: ☐ \$275  
University/College \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE REGISTRATION: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ \$275.00

*(Must wear ID Badge while in Conference, Exhibit & Dining areas)*

**\$75.00 EARLY REGISTRATION BONUS (Must be postmarked by July 31, 2018)\***

<u>Example:</u>	\$590 Non Member	<u>Payment Amt</u>	_____	Base Registration Above
	\$ 75 Early Bonus	<u>Subtract</u>	_____	<b>*Early Registration Bonus</b>
	\$ 275 Spouse	<u>Add</u>	_____	Spouse (If Applicable) \$275.00
	\$790 Total Due	<u>Total Due</u>	_____	

*Mail this Registration Form with Check payable to: **HEAVY MOVABLE STRUCTURES.**  
HMS Symposium Registration, C/O Jonathan Kohler, HDR 701 Xenia Avenue South, Suite 600  
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>> OR --- REGISTER ON-LINE <<

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**[HEAVYMOVABLESTRUCTURES.ORG](http://HEAVYMOVABLESTRUCTURES.ORG)**

**REFUND POLICY**

WRITTEN REQUEST POSTMARKED or Email **BEFORE SEPTEMBER 21, 2018**..... **100% REFUNDED**  
WRITTEN REQUEST POSTMARKED or Email **BEFORE OCTOBER 5, 2018**..... **50% REFUNDED**  
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