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This year, as AIChE celebrates its 100th birthday, we salute the many contributions of chemical engineers to improving the world. This month, we also celebrate National Engineers Week, Feb. 17–23. One of America's oldest professional outreach efforts (founded in 1951 by the National Society of Professional Engineers), it aims to increase interest in engineering careers among students and raise public understanding and appreciation of engineers' contributions to society, as reflected in this year's theme — Engineers Make a World of Difference.

Each year, thousands of engineers across the country mark National Engineers Week in various ways, both collectively and individually. For example, the New York Local Section joins with other technical societies for a networking dinner