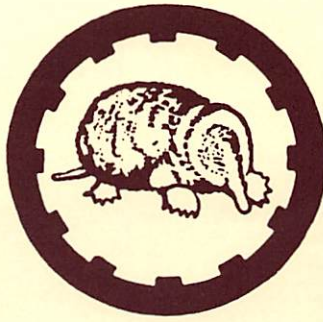


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JULY, 2001

CHANGING OF THE GUARD



Incoming Moles' President George Tamaro presents retiring President Bob Buckley with President's Certificate at Annual Business Meeting on May 2, 2001.

FOURTH GENERATION MOLE



New member, Matthew Neumann, second from left, flanked by father, Jerry Neumann, Executive Director, Gerry Carty and uncle, George Neumann. Matthew is preceded as a Moles' member by his great grandfather, George Burrows, grandfather, Jerry Neumann, Sr. and father, Jerry Neumann, Jr.

CLAMBAKE

TUESDAY
AUGUST 7, 2001

TRAVERS ISLAND
PELHAM, NY

REGISTRATION
11:30A.M. TO 5:30 P.M.

LUNCH
11:30A.M. TO 2:00 PM.

OUTDOOR GAMES
2 P.M. to 5 P.M.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT

SOFTBALL GAME

TUG BOAT RIDES
Noon to 5 P.M.

SWIMMING and TENNIS
ALL DAY

FREE BEER ALL DAY

SURF & TURF DINNER
SERVED AT 6 P.M.

GOLF AT LEEWOOD GOLF CLUB
IN A.M.

ACCOMMODATIONS
AVAILABLE AT RENAISSANCE
WESTCHESTER HOTEL

MORE ON RAY MONTI AND THE WORLD TRADE CENTER

George Tamaro writes: "Just a brief note to the fine tribute to Ray Monti in the last issue of *Holing Through*. I started my Port Authority career on the George Washington Bridge, thanks to Ray Monti's offer of an assignment on the slurry wall construction at the World Trade Center. I now find myself working deeper and deeper excavations. Friends have suggested that I will eventually end up underpinning the Gates of Hell, hopefully in association with those friends.

In March of 1967, Ray called and told me there were some problems associated with the work and suggested "my Italian language skills" (some people dispute that) could be helpful in carrying out the work with ICOS, the Italian Contractor that was low bidder for the slurry wall construction. I spent a very active year with Ray at the World Trade Center. The job was both intellectually and physically demanding. I lost 25 pounds running around the 3/4 mile perimeter and wrestling with Arturo Ressi (then the young project engineer). I owe my current career to Ray, and thank him for that."

Arturo Ressi writes: "I came to new York from Italy as a young engineer to work on the foundation of the World Trade Center. That's where I first met Ray Monti. I don't want to imply that we communicated on important matters: he was in charge for the Port Authority and I was in charge of shift in the field: I believe the only reason he spoke to me was to practice his Italian.

The project ended as an outstanding success: in time, Ray became the Chief Engineer for the Port Authority and I became the owner of the foundation company for which I had worked .



View of World Trade Center Foundation Work. H&M Tubes entering site in foreground. West Side Highway in background. Note slurry wall & tiebacks.

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HOT AIR

A man is flying in a hot air balloon and realizes he is lost. He reduces altitude and spots a man down below. He lowers the balloon further and shouts, "Excuse me, can you help me? I promised my friend I would meet him an hour ago, but I don't know where I am."

The man below says, "Yes, you are in a hot air balloon, hovering about 30 feet above this field. You are between 40 and 42 degrees N latitude, and between 58 and 60 degrees W. longitude."

"You must be an engineer!" says the balloonist.

"I am," replies the man. "How did you know?"

"Well," says the balloonist, "everything you told me is technically correct, but I have no idea what to make of your information, and the fact is I am still lost."

The man below says, "You must be a manager!"

"I am" replies the balloonist, but how did you know?"

"Well, says the engineer, "you don't know where you are. or where you are going. You have made a promise, which you have no idea how to keep, and you expect me to solve your problem. The fact is you are in the exact same position you were in before we met, but now it is somehow my fault."

Thanks to Ray Scroggins

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PRESIDENT APPOINTS COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The following Committee assignments have been made for the current year.

AWARD COMMITTEE: JOHN L. KOLAYA, Chairman, Thomas J. O'Neill, Vice Chairman, Robert J. Jenny and Salvator Mancini, Members at Large.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: Zohrab B. Marashlian, Chairman, John A. Rupich, Vice Chairman, Arthur N. Aubin, Martin T. Corcoran, Arthur B. Corwin, Carl J. Cosenzo, Thomas A. Gelormino, Michael R. Huie, Lawrence H. Lehman and Vincent Tirolo, Jr.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE: Andrew F. Catapano, Chairman, Joseph M. McCann, Vice Chariman, John Bidosky III, Gerard P. Brady, Thomas P. Condryn, Edward P. Forte, Robert J. Hill, John J. O'Sullivan, Richard J. Redmond, James P. Strobel and Gary Winsper.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Joseph D. Guertin, Jr., Everett G. Cruz, James E. Kelley, Richard Raab, George G. Searle and Thomas B. Treacy

EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Gary A. Almeraris, Chairman, Joseph F. Malandro, Vice Chairman, Arthur J. Blattner, Daniel M. Hahn, William V. McGuiness III, Joel Moskowitz, Thomas F. Peyton, Arturo Ressi and John R. Roma.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE: John F. McNamara, Chairman, Dominick M. Servedio, Vice Chairman, Robert E. Alger, David M. Cacoilo, Anthony G. Cracchiolo, Henry N. Christensen, Val S. McWhorter and David M. Oneglia.

UPCOMING EVENTS

**THE CLAMBAKE
TUESDAY,
AUGUST 7, 2001**

**ANNUAL FALL
DINNER
WEDNESDAY,
NOVEMBER 7,
2001**

**AWARD DINNER
WEDNESDAY
JANUARY 30, 2002**

**WINTER
MEETING
FEBRUARY 28,
2002 TO
MARCH 3, 2002**

**ANNUAL
BUSINESS
MEETING AND
DINNER
WEDNESDAY
NOVEMBER 6,
2002**

NEW MEMBERS



**Left to Right: Front Row - Anthony DelVescovo, William W. Edgerton, Harvey W. Parker, Michael J. Chow, John H. Pastore, Gerard O. Bassi
Back Row - Galyn G. Rippentrop, Ralph P. Capelli, Raymond E. Sandiford, Garry M. Higdem, Philip Helmes, Angelo J. Silveri**

DANIEL R. AMORUSO is a Civil Engineering graduate of Manhattan College. He is President and CEO of Amortech Equipment Rental, Inc., located in Manhasset, Long Island.

ERDEN ARKAN is President of Kiska Construction Corp. He earned an Architectural Degree from Istanbul Technical University.

GERARD O. BASSI is Vice President and Chief Engineer of Perini Corporation's Civil Division, Hawthorne, NY. He earned both a Civil Engineering Degree and Masters Degree from Polytechnic University.

RALPH P. CAPELLI graduated from New York Institute of Technology with a B.S. Degree in Architectural Technology and is Senior Vice President of Underpinning & Foundation Constructors, Inc.

ALI M. CATIK is Project Manager for Slattery Skanska, Inc. He earned a Civil Engineering Degree from

Michigan Technology University.

ROBERT A. CAVALIERE is President of B. Anthony Construction Corporation, Old Bridge, New Jersey. He earned a Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of Massachusetts.

RICHARD CAVALLARO is Director of Design Build Projects for Slattery Skanska, Inc. He earned a Mechanical Engineering Degree from City College.

MICHAEL J. CHOW graduated from City College with a Structural Engineering Degree and is an Associate with Mueser Rutledge Consulting Engineers.

MICHAEL S. COBELLI is General Superintendent with Slattery Skanska, Inc. He earned a Mechanical Engineering Degree from Rutgers University.

ANTHONY DEL VESCOVO is Project Manager for Schiavone

Construction Company and is a Civil Engineering graduate of New Jersey Institute of Technology.

WILLIAM W. EDGERTON is President of Jacobs Associates, San Francisco, California. He is a Civil Engineering graduate of Tufts University and earned a Masters Degree from George Washington University.

MICHAEL A. GREENBERG is Chief of Waterworks Construction for the New York City Department of Environmental Protection. He graduated with a Civil Engineering Degree from Cooper Union and earned a Masters Degree from Purdue University.

PHILIP HELMES graduated from Syracuse University with a Civil Engineering Degree and earned a Masters Degree from the University of Connecticut. He is Managing Director of InteCap, Inc., Boston, Massachusetts, a Management Consulting firm.

GARRY HIGDEM is Vice President of Granite Construction Company. He received his Civil Engineering Degree from North Dakota State University.

RAYMOND W. HOLDSWORTH is President of AECOM Technology Corporation. He is a graduate of Lake Forest College and the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM J. LEMOINE is Vice President of Modern Continental Construction Company and is a Civil Engineering graduate of Northeastern University.

LAWRENCE M. LENAHAN is Vice President of McNally Tunneling Corporation. He earned his Civil

Engineering Degree from Purdue University.

JOSEPH MC ATEE is Executive Vice President of Urban Engineers, Inc., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He is a Civil Engineering graduate of Drexel University.

KEVIN J. MC MAHON is CEO of Edwards and Kelcey, Inc., Morristown, New Jersey. He is a graduate of the State University of New York and earned a Masters Degree in Business Administration from Seton Hall University.

MATTHEW M. NEUMANN is a fourth generation Mole. He is a Project Manager for Peter Kiewit Sons, Inc. and earned a Civil Engineering Degree from Union College.

HARVEY W. PARKER is President of Harvey Parker & Associates, Inc., Bellevue, Washington. He has Civil Engineering Degrees as follows: Bachelors from Auburn University; Masters from Harvard University; and Doctors from the University of Illinois.

JOHN H. PASTORE is Senior Vice President of Modern Continental Construction Company. He received his Civil Engineering Degree from Northeastern University.

GALYN G. RIPPENTROP is President



Left to Right: Front Row: Lawrence M. Lenahan, Joseph P. McAtee, Kevin J. McMahon, Raymond W. Holdsworth, Erden Arkan, David A. Vosseller, Ali M. Catik

Back Row: Michael A. Waters, Richard Cavallaro, Matthew M. Neumann, Michael A. Greenberg, Michael S. Cobelli, Daniel R. Amoruso

of Frontier Kemper Constructors, Inc. Hicksville, New York. He attended He is a Civil Engineering graduate of Farmingdale College. South Dakota School of Mines.

RAYMOND E. SANDIFORD is Chief Geotechnical Engineer for the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey. He earned his Bachelor Degree from the State University at Stony Brook and a Masters Degree from Columbia University.

ANGELO J. SILVERI is President of Silverite Construction Company,

DONALD A. VOSELLER is Project Manager for Weeks Marine, Inc. He graduated from New Jersey Institute of Technology with a Civil Engineering Degree.

MICHAEL A. WATERS is Vice president of Slattery Skanska, Inc. He graduated from Georgia Institute of Technology with a Civil Engineering Degree.

NEWS OF MEMBERS

ROBERT S. O'NEIL, recently retired from Parsons Transportation Group, has been honored by having been elected to the National Academy of Engineering. Bob was also honored for his long and successful career with Parsons and its predecessor firm, De Leuw Cather & Company, by being named Chief Executive Officer Emeritus.

REMY PAPP has been selected by the Connecticut Society of Civil Engineers as the 2001 Recipient of the Benjamin Wright Award. The award is presented yearly by the Society to a person who has demonstrated outstanding practice throughout his career and made significant contributions to Civil Engineering. Other Moles' members who have received the award are Charlie Thornton, Norm Nadel and Gene Jones. After spending the major portion of his career with J. Rich Steers, a firm that specialized in bridge and marine work, Remy opened his own design practice designing cofferdams and other marine structures for contractors, engineers and owners.

MOLES 101

An informed membership makes for a vibrant and successful organization. The objective of this article is to bring all Moles' members up to speed about our organization. In that way they hopefully will be more active participants and will be able to answer questions raised by others about the Moles.

What is the purpose of the Moles? The Moles is an organization of people engaged in Heavy Construction. Its purpose is to promote better acquaintance among individuals engaged in heavy construction to the end:

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- That, in the public interest, standards of construction shall be raised both as to engineering and business ethics.

How does The Moles go about meeting its objectives?

The Moles is a non profit corporation organized in the State of New Jersey. Like every corporation, a Board of Directors is needed. The Executive Committee, consisting of the officers, trustees and the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Award Committee constitutes the Board of Directors of the Moles. The President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and Sergeant at Arms serve as the officers of The Moles. There are six Committees:

What are the functions of the various committees?

The **Award Committee**, consisting of the Executive Committee, all members of the five other committees of The Moles and all past member award recipients constitute the Award Committee, which numbers approximately 85 persons. The function of the Award Committee is to plan and oversee the Annual Award Dinner and to select the Annual Member and Non Recipients. To select the recipients of the Moles Awards, the Award Committee meets three times; in June, September and October of each

year. At the June meeting, nominations are made for the two awards. Usually about ten persons are nominated for each award. Over the summer, a ballot is sent out asking each member of the committee to vote for five of those nominated. At the September meeting, voting continues with the field being narrowed to three persons for each award. Between the September and October meetings, another ballot is sent asking the committee members to vote for two of those left in the running. At the October meeting the final recipients of the awards are selected. As one can see, the selection of the awardees each year is in the hands of approximately eighty five Moles members and is a rigorous and selective process.

The Moles Awards are considered the most prestigious awards in the construction industry, with the first awards being made in 1941 to Robert Moses and John MacDonald.

The Award Committee sees that the objective of The Moles to advance the construction art be achieved and outstanding performance be recognized through awards is accomplished each year at the Annual Awards Dinner in New York City which is attended by approximately 1600 people.

The **Membership Committee** is responsible for recommending new members to the Executive Committee for membership in The Moles. Membership in The Moles is highly desired and limited to 538 members, broken down into the following categories: Heavy Construction 397; Engineering 80; Sales Representative 42; and Associated Occupation 19.

The only way new members are admitted is when openings develop either through death or when a member goes emeritus. Members of long standing (at least 10 years membership) who have retired are eligible to request emeritus status. A member may nominate a colleague for membership by submitting an application with five supporting letters (an application package can be secured by calling The Moles' office).

The Membership Committee rates all applications on a scale of 1 to 10. Those receiving acceptable ratings are sent to the Executive Committee for rating by that body. Those applications receiving the highest rating by the Executive Committee are admitted to membership in accordance with the number of openings available as of April 1 of each year.

The **Program Committee** is responsible for four functions

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each year: Annual Business Meeting and Dinner (first Wednesday of May); the Clambake (first Tuesday of August); the Annual Fall Dinner (first Wednesday of November); and the Winter Meeting (usually first weekend in March). The May and November Dinners are for members only. It is through these functions, along with the Annual Award Dinner and the Award Committee Meetings and Dinners (for those on committees) that the first two objectives of the Moles are accomplished: "That past and future friendships and a spirit of fraternization be fostered" and "That meetings and other gatherings be held to exchange construction information and promote good fellowship among members".

The **Finance Committee** is responsible to audit the accounts of the Treasurer; examine the financial proceedings of the Officers and Committees; manage the Permanent Fund and the McAlinden Fund; and be responsible for the budgetary and audit control of the Association's finances.

The Moles finances are in very good shape due principally to the success of the Annual Award Dinner and the Clambake. A Permanent Fund of approximately \$400,000.00 is maintained for emergency purposes. Any surplus beyond this is put into the Scholarship Fund (which will be discussed subsequently).

The **Education Committee** sees that the fourth objective of The Moles is carried out: "That the youth of our country be encouraged to participate in heavy construction by a multi purpose program of education in cooperation with engineering colleges and other associations".

The principal way in which the Education Committee meets this objective is through the Annual Student's Day (see article on page 10). This is a wonderful event. Students and faculty members from the twenty participating colleges and universities are invited each year as guests of The Moles to visit an interesting construction project in the New York City area. The first Student's Day was in 1962.

Moles member and former Chief Engineer of the NYCDOT, Robert Ronayne recently reminisced about his Student Day experience: "I remember vividly my first introduction to The Moles. I was a night student at Newark College of Engineering when I was invited by one of the professors there to take a Mole's sponsored trip. They put us on a bus and we toured the huge rock cut on I-280 in West Orange, then off to New York City

to explore the 6th Avenue subway extension project then under construction. It is a day I will never forget."

It is estimated that since 1962 somewhere in the neighborhood of 5,000 students have had the experience of Bob Ronayne. It is something that the Moles can take great pride in.

In addition to Student's Day, the Education Committee sponsors the following activities; provides a Student Award to a student demonstrating the most aptitude in construction at each of the participating schools (a certificate and a \$500.00 honorarium); invites the Student Award recipients to a reception at the time of the November Dinner; provides speakers to schools upon request; has recently established the Career Connection which assists students to find employment with Mole's member firms.

Recently, the **Moles Scholarship Fund** was established to provide scholarships to qualified and deserving students at the participating colleges and universities. Through the generous contributions of members the fund has raised over \$1 Mil and this year distributed thirteen \$3,000.00 scholarships. The aim of the fund is to raise \$2 Mil so there is still much work ahead.

The **Publicity Committee** arranges articles in construction, engineering, other periodicals, and the press on the associations aims and activities. The Publicity Committee is also responsible for **HOLING THROUGH**, which is published three times a year, in April, July and October.

So that is how the work of the Moles is accomplished - by the Officers, Executive Committee and the six standing committees and with the assistance of The Moles staff (executive director and secretary).

Not much has changed over the years. The founding fathers of the Moles back in 1937 (like the founding fathers of the country) did a superb job of putting together this organization which is as fresh and vibrant today, as when first founded.

What is the MC ALINDEN SCHOLARSHIP? - Moles member **JOSEPH A. MC ALINDEN** bequeathed \$100,000.00 to The Moles for college scholarships for children and grandchildren of Moles members. Each year all Moles members receive an application form with the mailing for the May Dinner notice by which they can apply for this scholarship. Students must have completed two years of college and the winners are determined by a lottery drawing at the May Dinner.

By admission to the Moles, each member is expected to further the final objective of the Moles: "That in the public interest, standards of construction shall be raised both as to engineering and business ethics".

IN MEMORIAM THREE AWARD RECIPIENTS



HOLMES CRIMMINS

HOLMES CRIMMINS, President of the Moles in 1955 and Member Award Recipient in 1966, died on April 21, 2001 at the age of 92.

Upon graduation from Harvard University 1932, Holmes joined the family owned company, Thomas Crimmins Contracting Company, which was founded in 1848. The company was the pre-eminent foundation company of the period, performing numerous building foundation projects, including the following: New York Coliseum, 100 Church Street, Western Electric Building, Pan Am Building, 140 Broadway and the Julliard School of Music at Lincoln Center.

It has been said that a successful contracting company cannot afford the luxury of a gentleman. Holmes Crimmins certainly contradicted this. When the long list of difficult construction projects are forgotten, Holmes Crimmins will always be remembered as a man of honor, respect and integrity.



GEORGE FOX

1978 Member Award Recipient, GEORGE A. FOX, died on May 16, 2001 at the age of 81.

George was considered by many as the elder statesman of the U.S. Tunneling Industry. He graduated from Cooper Union 1940 and earned a Masters Degree in Civil Engineering from the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn in 1942. After employment at the Brooklyn Navy Yard and with Frederic R. Harris and service during the World War II in the Navy, George joined Grow Construction Company in 1950. Thus started a 50 year career in tunneling and heavy construction work.

In addition to all of his accomplishments in construction, George was most generous in devoting time to civic and social causes.

Among other honors, he served as Chairman of the Board of Cooper Union and was a member of the National Academy of Engineering.



LYMAN WILBUR

LYMAN D. WILBUR was honored with The Moles Non member Award in 1974. He died on May 5, 2001 just a few days before his 101st birthday.

Lyman graduated from Stanford University with a degree in Civil Engineering in 1921 and began his almost forty year career with Morrison Knudsen Company in 1932. After working in the company's Los Angeles office, he was assigned to the Boise main office in 1947 as Chief Engineer. Subsequent positions included Vice President Engineering, Vice President Overseas Operations, President and Chairman of International Engineering Company, resident partner of Atlas Construction in Morocco (a \$300 Mil project) and resident partner in Vietnam (a \$2 Bil. project). The latter project was one of the largest projects in construction history and for his accomplishments there he was chosen ENR Construction Man of The Year in 1966.

DECEASED MOLES' MEMBERS

The Moles office was recently informed of the death of **STANLEY M. ARONIN** on December 23, 1999. Stan was a civil engineering graduate of NYU and spent his career overseeing bridge and road projects in New York City for Gull Contracting, Johnson, Drake & Piper, Inc. and Poirer and McLane Corporation.

RAYMOND J. COCHARD died on April 3, 2001 at the age of 77. Ray was a hands on construction man who came up through the trades. He spent the latter part of his career with Mergentime Corporation where he was Vice President of Construction.

ALBERT G. DI GIACINTO, who died on in April 2001 at the age of 90, became a member of The Moles in 1949. Al spent his career with Spencer, White & Prentis, Inc., the premier foundation and underpinning company of the time. He retired from the company in 1975.

JOSEPH A. DOOLEY died on June 14, 2001, just short of his 78th birthday. Joe spent his career with New York Trap Rock and after living on the East coast during his working life, he moved to the State of Washington to enjoy his retirement years.

JOSEPH F. FOLEY, JR., who died on June 1, 1999, started his career in 1939 as a timekeeper for Callan Construction Corp. and continued his career with that

company working on highway and bridge projects in Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

VICTOR FRENKIL died on June 3, 1999. He spent his life with Baltimore Contractors. Under his guidance for over a half century, the firm grew from a small local company to an international operation doing both building and heavy construction work in the Middle Atlantic and overseas.

RICHARD J. GOETTLE, III, founder of the Cincinnati, Ohio, firm bearing his name, died on April 13, 2001. He was recognized as one of the USA's foremost foundation specialists. Although active around the country, a large part of the company's work was in the Central United States: Ohio, Kentucky, West Virginia, Pennsylvania and Virginia.

WINSTON E. HICKEY died on January 1, 2001. He was active with The Foundation Company of Canada and among other projects was involved in the construction of the St. Lawrence Seaway, the Toronto Subway and the Montreal Subway. He was 87 at the time of his death.

JOHN F. JOHNSTON died in April 2001 at the age of 85. He was a graduate of the University of Kentucky with a civil engineering degree and spent his life working on tunnels and other heavy construction projects for Arthur A. Johnson and MacLean Grove & Company.

RAY MONTI AND THE WORLD TRADE CENTER (continued from page 2)

Over the years we became friends, meeting occasionally for lunch in the city and from time to time in the Hamptons, where we both escaped the pressure of our work.

We often talked of that extraordinary job which was a defining moment for both of our lives, one that we could point proudly to our children as the "fruit of our labor" (although, in my case I played a small part indeed).

I am missing Ray, our occasional chats, our common interests, our shared memories".

Also a letter from Peter Tully of Tully Construction Co., Inc. "I would like to bring to your attention a particular paragraph which appeared in your April 2001 News Bulletin, more specifically page 5 left column, second

paragraph.

Reference in said paragraph is made of Tully & DiNapoli et cetera and goes on to state that:

"All of the joint venture members (who were active Moles members), are no longer in business, except for Slattery Associates, which is now Slattery Skanska."

This statement is untrue, Tully is still in business, and now is Tully Construction Co., Inc. Therefore, I would appreciate the necessary correction being made."

The Editor appreciates receiving letters such as these and looks forward to such correspondence in the future.

A NEW SITE FOR STUDENT'S DAY 2001

After being at the Light Rail Project at JFK Airport in 1999 and 2000 and at the 63rd Street Subway Project the prior four years, it was time to find a new site for the 2001 Student's Day. The Education Committee considered several sites in New York City and ultimately chose the reconstruction work being performed by Slattery Skanska on a \$230 Mil project on the Brooklyn Queens Expressway in Woodside, Queens.

There was much to be seen on this project: soldier piles and lagging work; sheetpiling with tiebacks; drilled shafts; construction of a 72 inch watermain; bridge and retaining wall construction; and other items of work normal to a project of this type.

An important feature of Student's Day is to have a suitable facility where the students can gather in the morning for coffee and donuts, have the briefing and then return to for lunch. The Committee was fortunate to locate a catering facility (Dante Caterers) a few blocks from the project. This turned out to be one of the best facilities ever for a Student's Day: plenty of parking; ample room for the briefing; and while the students were out on the project the briefing room was converted to a fine dining facility where the students were able to enjoy a leisurely lunch.

The briefing went smoothly. After a welcome by Moles' President Bob Buckley, and after a short presentation by the NYSDOT, the URS lead design team gave a clear overview of the project. This was followed by a presentation by the Slattery Skanska Project Manager, Peter Franco, who explained the construction features of the project.

Then out to the field. The students were broken down into groups. As usual there were sufficient Moles members present to properly escort each group. There were 230 students and faculty members present.

The Education Committee thanks all who assisted for another successful Student's Day.



Start of day with briefing.



Then out to the field.



Dante Caterers, assembly point for 2001 Student's Day.