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## Take Another Look at NASTT



We hope we got your attention. This new-look newsletter design and layout is but another step in our effort to raise the profile of NASTT as the premier source for trenchless education and training. My previous reports focused on NASTT's training objectives and the progress we have made in meeting our

training goals. Believing that substance trumps style, it was only natural that we put our initial focus on expanding and enhancing our training programs.

But we recognize that for a product to enjoy success, it must reach the marketplace. Our new-look newsletter is just part of the Society's effort to raise our profile in the trenchless community. Earlier this year, we introduced a redesigned membership brochure and rolled out a new exhibit

### NASTT Set to Launch New Web Site in Early August

NASTT is introducing a fresh new look and innovative changes to its Web site, [www.nastt.org](http://www.nastt.org). Visitors to the site will experience enhanced features, such as new search capabilities, easier-to-use member and product/service directories and personalized member profiles. Visitors can now register to receive free online newsletters and announcements pertaining to their areas of interest, along with many more resources to help them stay better informed and to connect them with the businesses and people in the trenchless industry. Check out these enhanced features online at [www.nastt.org](http://www.nastt.org):

- Download No-Dig technical papers (PDF) — FREE access for NASTT members!
- Reference the trenchless technology glossary of terms
- Download Quick Fact Sheets and PowerPoint presentations
- Shop the online bookstore
- Post and review employment opportunities
- Check out the calendar for upcoming seminars, training and events

All of this information and much more is just one click away. Stay connected with [www.nastt.org](http://www.nastt.org).



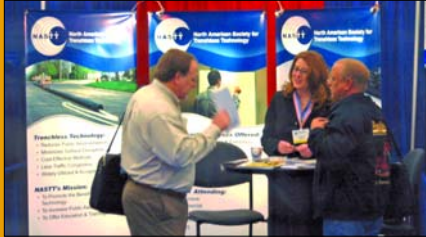
- Search for NASTT members by name, title, company
- Update your membership profile, join NASTT and/or renew your membership
- Browse through the technology directory to find products/services that interest you

### NASTT and Psomas Team to Provide Trenchless Training

On June 21, NASTT teamed with Psomas, a Southern California-based civil engineering firm, to provide trenchless technology training to area public works agencies in its San Diego office. Psomas successfully recruited 45 municipal personnel from various local water/wastewater districts, as well as several nearby towns and cities to attend the eight-hour NASTT "Trenchless Technology Good Practices" training.

"We are hearing more and more requests for trenchless work in the Southern California area," said Michael Pollard, senior project engineer with Psomas. "It made sense for us to work with NASTT in offering a training course to increase public awareness about the benefits of using trenchless methods in our area."

## CHAIRMAN'S REPORT



booth. We are now in the process of redesigning our Web site, which should be operational in August. All of these products share a common visual theme intended to raise the profile of the Society.

Now that we got your attention, our message is simple. We want you to view NASTT not just as a resource for communicating the benefits of trenchless solutions; we also want and need you to join us in this effort. Pick up one of our newly designed membership brochures, come visit us at our new exhibit booth or log-on to our redesigned Web site and JOIN NASTT.

Many in the industry know NASTT and are actively involved in the

Society's works. We deeply appreciate your involvement.

This message is targeted at those who are not now members or who may not have given us a second thought — take another look. Join the NASTT Team!



by Joanne Hughes

NASTT worked with Psomas to develop a tailored agenda to meet the needs of the audience. Psomas identified and selected six trenchless methods to be addressed: cured-in-place-pipe and linings, coatings and groutings, laterals, microtunneling and jacking, horizontal directional drilling and pipe bursting. NASTT course instructors were Dr. Sam Ariaratnam, with Arizona State University, Dr. Mark Knight, with the University of Waterloo and Keith Hanks, senior sanitary engineer with the City of Los Angeles.

Because NASTT training courses are flexible and tailored to suit the audience's needs, we have the ability to take training where it's needed. If you're interested in providing trenchless training for your city staff or company personnel, please contact Angela Ghosh, NASTT, ph: (703) 217-1382 or E-mail: [aghosh@nastt.org](mailto:aghosh@nastt.org).

### NASTT Training Calendar

- Aug. 14, Pipe Bursting Good Practices — Indianapolis
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- Nov. 14, Laterals Good Practices — Edmonton, Alberta, Canada
- Dec. 5, HDD Good Practices Guidelines — Phoenix
- Feb. 1, CIPP Good Practices — Houston
- April 16-18, 2007, No-Dig Conference & Exhibition — San Diego

Visit [www.nastt.org](http://www.nastt.org) for an up-to-date training calendar.

### NASTT Releases No-Dig 2007 Technical Paper Program

The No-Dig Program Committee recently met to review abstracts submitted for next year's No-Dig Conference, April 16-18, 2007, at the Town and Country Resort in San Diego. "This year, we received a record-number of 182 abstracts for consideration and accepted 112 for the technical paper program. Given the quality of the abstracts submitted, the selection process was a difficult one for the No-Dig Program Committee. The authors of accepted papers are to be congratulated," commented Dr. Sam Ariaratnam, 2007 Program Chairman.

The No-Dig educational program is always noted for its quality of technical paper presentations. The Program Committee has worked diligently to identify and select 112 of the most compelling and interesting papers to be presented and published, all of which will be carefully peer-reviewed. Aside from its outstanding collection of technical papers, the No-Dig Conference offers an array of highly specialized seminars. Two new courses are planned for 2007, including a Spanish-speaking "Introduction to Trenchless Technologies" short course and a one-day seminar on pressure pipe design sponsored by the International Society for Trenchless Technology (ISTT).

Visit [www.nastt.net/NoDig](http://www.nastt.net/NoDig), the official No-Dig Conference Web site, to download the 2007 No-Dig technical paper program.

### NASTT Forms Cross-Bore Committee

In March, the NASTT Board established the Cross-Bore Committee to explore opportunities to educate individuals involved in underground utilities on the cross-bore issue. Cross-bores are the result of an existing utility being intersected by a newly installed utility often when installed by trenchless means. The existence of cross-bores creates potential risk to life and property. The Committee believes that through a concerted effort on the part of the utility industry that the risk of cross-bores can be substantially reduced.

The Committee is chaired by Mark Bruce. Sub-committees are headed by Mark Wallbom, gas utility owners and gas utility contractors; Joe Purtell, locating and verification; Chris Brahler, manufacturers; Keith Hanks, municipal and regulatory; Bernie Krzys, organization consortium; and Steve Lacy, sewer service contractors.

The Committee's goal is complete its work by the end of the year. If you wish to be involved in this task, please contact Mark Bruce at [mbruce@canclay.com](mailto:mbruce@canclay.com).