



SENEA March 2021 e-Newsletter

From the Executive Director:

Defense Innovation Days will be a virtual event this year. It will be held the last week of August. More information will be forthcoming in the next several weeks.

As we continue to navigate the COVID-19 pandemic, remember to check your state's website for relevant resources:

- [Connecticut](#)
- [Massachusetts](#)
- [Rhode Island](#)

Please read below for some items of interest to SENEA member companies and the regional defense cluster.

Best,
Molly Donohue Magee

SENEA Member Spotlight: Composite Energy Technologies, Inc. dba Goetz Composites

What is your company's history?

Composite Energy Technologies, Inc. dba Goetz Composites is a high-tech design, engineering, manufacturer, and integrator of high-performance solutions for all operational domains. Founded in 1975 by Eric Goetz, what began as Goetz Custom Boats, more recently known as Goetz Composites, is widely considered a pioneer in the development of advanced composites for high-performance applications. In 1990, Goetz began building prepreg composite boats using aerospace-grade carbon and kevlar prepreps with various types of cores, including nomex, aluminum, and kevlar honeycombs. For the past 11 years, Goetz Composites has continued to push the boundaries of carbon fiber creating structures and integrating the control and actuation systems that make those structures come to life in the marine, architectural, entertainment, and defense domains. Combining their experience, Eric Goetz, CTO, and

Chase Hogoboom, President, have taken Goetz Composites to places far beyond, both above and below, the surface of the ocean.

What services and/or products does your company provide?

We pride ourselves on solving problems that no one else can solve, by building things that no one has ever built before. The challenges that come with pioneering innovation are exciting to us and is reflected in our list of customers. From the largest entertainment and theme park companies in the world, to the U.S. Navy, to globally recognized architects and designers, we provide fully integrated design, engineering, and manufacturing services. We routinely develop high-performance vehicles for the most demanding applications, in the most austere and difficult operational environments, including full ocean depth, to other planetary bodies. Our Design and Engineering Team deploys state-of-the-art digital tools including 3D modeling, FEA, and CFD. Advanced carbon structures are fabricated using in-house 5-axis CNC tooling, CNC material patterns, and computer controlled curing ovens. Electrical, Mechanical, and Control Systems are designed, integrated, and installed by in-house technicians. All employees are U.S. citizens.

Why do you consider membership in SENEDIA valuable?

Having an advocate like SENEDIA is of paramount importance for a small business like ours. We see significant value in the exclusive programming and resources available to us, as well as the opportunities to connect with other members. We have used the jobs posting resource and have gotten great advice and guidance from the SENEDIA team as we were joining the UTIC OTA. We consider SENEDIA to not just be an association, but a partner, as we continue to contribute to the SE New England defense community, and the missions our government sponsors.

If a company wants to do business with yours, whom should they contact?

For all inquiries, please contact:

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2021/2022 SENEDIA STEM Scholarship Opportunity

The Southeastern New England Defense Industry Alliance (SENEDIA) is pleased to announce that we plan to award three \$1500 scholarships for the 2021/2022 academic year to students who are actively pursuing studies related to Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) career paths. These areas of study are the backbone of the skills and experiences that are important elements in supporting the future of national security and the defense sector.

Student applicants must be a U.S. citizen and a resident of Southeastern New England (RI, MA, CT); completing their second year of an associate degree in 2021, or entering their third year of study (or higher) in the 2021-2022 academic year; and a matriculating student enrolled in a STEM-related field at an accredited college or university located in the U.S.

The 2021/22 SENEDIA scholarship application can be found **here**, and is also available on the [SENEDIA's website](#). The deadline for applications is *Friday, April 30, 2021*. For more information, please contact Linda Larsen at llarsen@SENEDIA.org.

Defense Related Job Postings

Did you know that as a member of SENEDIA, you have the opportunity to post your company's job openings to consumers visiting [SENEDIA's website](#)? See detailed instructions [here](#).

Anyone can view the job postings, please click [here](#).



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