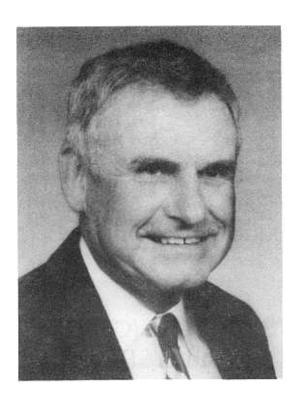
## 1996 Peninsula Engineer of the Year: Leonard P. Waltz, P.E.



Leonard P. Waltz, P.E., President of Spiers and Waltz, Consulting Engineers, P.C. was named the 1996 Peninsula Engineer of the Year at the Peninsula Engineers Council meeting on January 9th. Mr. Waltz was co-nominated by the Virginia Society of Professional Engineers (VSPE) and the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME) and was selected for his outstanding achievements as a professional electrical engineer and his success as an engineering firm owner and manager.

Mr. Waltz is responsible for managing a 17 person Mechanical-Electrical Engineering Firm which annually designs between 60 and 75 projects with a construction budget of between 13 and 18 million dollars. Projects vary from a new 1,800 pupil high school to installation of a photo voltaic array. Collateral duties include: business development, contracting, personnel staffing, technical oversight and customer liaison.

Mr. Waltz is dedicated to the engineering profession as witnessed by his many years as a member of six societies and his past presidency of the local chapter of three societies.

Mr. Waltz has demonstrated enthusiasm for his profession by encouraging the pursuit of engineering education. Throughout his career, he has been active in getting children of lower, middle and upper schools interested in engineering by giving lectures at various schools. For many years, he has been an interviewer for an Engineering Scholarship Program. Within his Firm, he instituted a tuition program for employees and also sends them to technical seminars to enhance their engineering expertise.

Mr. Waltz has been a Peninsula resident since 1959. Married to Mary Jo for 38 years with five children, all College graduates who reside in Newport News with five grandsons. Mr. Waltz has been a member of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church since 1960.