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Engineers Week 2007

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Leadership Training Conference (LTC)

Houston, Texas :: March 2-4

Student Professional Development Conferences

:: April 13-14, 2007 ::

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Greetings All!!

Welcome to the first edition of the ASME District E Newsletter! I hope you all have had a great start to your new year and I look forward to sharing with you, through this newsletter, all of the latest news in our District and around ASME!

First of all, I would like to introduce you all to the District E Operations Board:

Boris Bolf joins us as the Deputy District Leader for the West with Dr. Fred

Smith as the Colorado Coordinator, Judy Cobb as our wonderful webmaster, and Dr. Rick Couvillion is the head of Student Affairs for our District. Dr. Abel Hernandez joins us as our Deputy District Leader for Nation of Mexico, Jen Jewers with Early Career, and Elliot Short will serve as our Deputy District Leader for the East. John Singleton is our head of Training, Brian Dietz, the former VP of Region X, will be the Advisor

for our new district with John Hawkins at the helm.

Feel free to contact any member of the board any time with questions, suggestions, and ideas that you would like to share!

Engineers' Week! Feb 18-24, 2007

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Celebrate Engineering!

Engineers Week 2007 will be celebrated February 18 - 24, 2007, and is co-chaired by the Society of Manufacturing Engineers and Tyco Electronics Corporation.

Get Local!

What's going on in your local community to celebrate Engineers Week? Check out: http://www.asme.org/Events/Get_Local_Engineers_Week_2007.cfm

If you don't see your event/activity, let us know about it: stenosm@asme.org.

What's New This Year?

Lots!
-Design Squad, the new PBS (WGBH Boston) reality competition series for ages 10-14 and starring real high school students with early career engineer hosts (both of whom are mechanical engineers!), premiers during Engineers Week 2007! Coordinated outreach

materials for engineers to take into the classroom are available online here: <http://pbskids.org/designsquad/>

In addition, if your Section chooses to sponsor a premier party, you may qualify for matching grant funding! Find out how by emailing:

stenosm@asme.org.



Leadership Training Conference Mar 2-4, 2007

The 2007 Leadership Training Conference (LTC) will be held at the Wyndham Greenspoint Hotel in Houston, TX on March 2-4, 2007.

The theme of the 2007 LTC is "**Connecting Communities**," and its purpose is to provide ASME members soon to become unit leaders and key committee personnel with an opportunity to develop their leadership knowledge and skills, share best practices, form partnerships with other units, and focus on critical issues important to the success of the Society. The LTC will provide:

- **First time unit leader workshop** - basic organizational operations and tools (Friday morning before LTC)
- **An overview of the Society's organization**, activities and resources
- **Information and methods to help** us succeed in leading an ASME unit
- **An opportunity to network** with other leaders and ASME Staff and
- **A forum for interchange** of ideas and development of program plans

In March of this year, the **2006 LTC** provided more than **200 delegates** aspiring to be ASME leaders with tools and resources

to facilitate their success in 2006-07. Those attending learned that:

- When there are problems - we seek solutions
- When it seems there is only one way - we are creative and seek alternatives
- When we think we are alone - we seek partners to share the load
- When we are in need of help - we communicate within our ASME network
- When we are looking for ideas - we know to effectively use our ASME resources

In 2007, LTC will "raise the bar" in learning experiences - enhancing leadership dynamics, providing a forum for unit program development and examining how to make "value" and "effectiveness" part of our cultural expectations. The weekend event will have time for networking and the choice of a dozen workshops. To build on the success of the 2006 LTC, it is imperative that ASME leaders build on the lessons learned there, be accountable to program plans, and continue to seek suitable partners for fruitful collaborations.

Attendance at the LTC is by invitation only.

For more information contact ltc07@asme.org.

Find out more about E-Week and How you can participate:

www.eweek.org

Early Career – Lunch & Learn, Mar 22nd



ASME IPTI's Early Career Committee is hosting a Lunch & Learn the afternoon of March 22nd for ASME members who will be in the Houston area!

New graduates, recent graduates, all members are encouraged to register for this event. Look for more information at <http://www.asme-ipti.org>

The topic will be the Essential First Year Financials – Learn the need-to-knows that will help get you on your way to saving smart!

Student Design Competition 2007



Clean Water

In the aftermath of the 2004 tsunami and Hurricane Katrina, affected areas were surrounded by polluted water and failed filtration systems. According to the World Health Organization, 1.1 billion people lack access to improved water sources, which represents 17% of the global population. The 2007 competition, which challenges student teams to create a human-powered water still, highlights the fact

that engineers play a key role in society at large. The challenge offers students an opportunity to implement learned skills and appreciate the social, economic and environmental impact of engineering.

Find out more about it here:

http://www.asme.org/Events/Contests/DesignContest/2007_Design_Problem.cfm

A note from your editor...

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