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GSPE News and Events

February 2007

Upcoming Events and Activities

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Dear GSPE Member,

February is always the time of E-week, which this year is February 18-24. It is a time when we celebrate the profession, honor outstanding engineers and engineering projects, and invigorate young people to choose engineering as their future vocation. It is also the month of the chapter MATHCOUNTS competitions, which we sponsor. This issue is devoted to these topics, and to a supporting activity - the annual GSPE Golf Outing.

There are plenty of opportunities for each of use to become involved, either by particpating, mentoring or volunteering a part of our time. I encourage you not to miss out on these activities.

In your service,

Jerry Kahn, P.E. - GSPE President

E-Week Georgia Style

Engineers Week Awards Banquet

Thalai N. Carlos
Hellenic Commmunity Center
2500 Clairmont Road NE
Atlanta, GA

February 24, 2007
6:30 PM

An overview of E-week Activities

Introduce A Girl to Engineering is the kickoff for the 2007 Georgia Engineers Week Celebration. This event, now in its sixth year, recognizes students' efforts while providing an excellent opportunity for them to imagine and explore the many exciting careers they can consider. The hosts are professional women in the Atlanta area who have chosen career fields related to engineering, math and science. For more information visit the Georgia Engineers Week site.

JETS is a program to increase the interest and awareness of High School students in engineering and technology-based careers. One of the highlights is an annual engineering competition called TEAMS, where groups of students convene to solve challenging engineering problems. This year's TEAMS competition will be held on February 10 at Georgia Tech. More information is available on the JETS web site (where you can also download past years' challenging problems.)

On January 27, Southern Polytechnic State University hosted the Georgia Regional **Future City Competition**. The mission of the National Engineers Week Future City Competition is to provide a fun and exciting educational engineering program for seventh- and eighth-grade students that combines a stimulating engineering challenge with a "hands-on" application to present their vision of a city of the future. Complete information on Future City competitions can be found at www.futurecity.org . Winners of the competition will be honored at an E-week luncheon at SPSU on February 19. The guest speaker for the SPSU luncheon will be Colonel Benjamin Butler of the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers.

E-week is also the time to make a commitment to inform and educate our youth on a profession that the world cannot afford to exist without. The **Educational Outreach Volunteer Forums** provide you with an opportunity to showcase your career at local schools and student groups. This is a very rewarding experience, one that you will want to repeat. For more information on how you can become involved, go to the Georgia Engineers Week site.

The culmination of E-week is the annual **Engineers Award Banquet** on February 24, an elegant evening celebration to honor winners of Georgia's Engineering Excellence Award and Engineer of the Year competitions. The evening will begin with with a reception at 6:30 p.m., followed at 7:30 p.m. by dinner and the program. Immediately following the program, guest will enjoy a dessert party and Casino Night. Register for this gala event at the Georgia Engineers Week site.

Georgia Engineers Week Website

MATHCOUNTS

State Competition

ZooAtlanta

March 24, 2007

Chapter competitions in full swing

The mission of MATHCOUNTS is to increase interest and involvement in mathematics among all middle school students in order to assist in developing a technically literate population essential to U.S. global competitiveness and the quality of life.

The Georgia MATHCOUNTS competition is sponsored by the Georgia Society of Professional Engineers. It is organized throughout the state by Chapter Coordinators. Last year more than 1,000 middle school "mathletes" from 175 schools participated. We expect more this year. Running these competitions is a demanding task, and the Chapter Coordinators need as many volunteers as can be mustered to ensure successful events.

The schedule for the Chapter competitions is:

- Feb 2 - West Georgia & Northwest Chapters
- Feb 9 - Northeast Chapter
- Feb 10 - Augusta, Columbus & Cobb Chapters
- Feb 16 - Middle Georgia Chapter
- Feb 17 - Atlanta Metro Chapter

Please volunteer a few hours of your time to help out at these events. It is a very worthwhile experience and highly gratifying. Contact information and the location of these events can be found on the GSPE web site. You can also contact Carolyn Jones at the GSPE office for details.

The winners of the Chapter events will meet at ZooAtlanta on March 24 for the state competition.

2007 MATHCOUNTS Georgia Chapter Competitions

GSPE Spring Golf Outing

GSPE Golf Outing

Durham Lakes Golf & Country Club
Fairburn, GA

March 30-31, 2007

Pull out your clubs and make plans to participate in the Fourth Annual GSPE Spring Golf Outing on March 30-31. This year's outing will be held at the new Durham Lakes Golf and Country Club in Fairburn, Georgia - just a short drive south of Atlanta. The monies from the event are used to fund the GSPE MATHCOUNTS endowment. Download a brochure an sign up on the GSPE web site.

The outing will feature a 4-man scramble format on Friday afternoon and Saturday morning. A social and cookout will be held after each round at the poolside pavilion.

Spread the word about this grand golf event to support MATHCOUNTS.

GSPE Golf Outing Brochure

Chapter Activities

Chapters Serve Members Locally

The Chapter is the local unit that carries out the purposes and programs of the State and National Society. If you are a member of the NSPE, you are a member of a local Chapter. It is at the Chapter meetings and Chapter sponsored events that networking, programs, and community evolvement occur.

Each Chapter has its own web page on the GSPE web site, where you can find out the who to contact in the Chapter Leadership for more information, Chapter meeting dates and locations, and opportunities for you to become involved.

Get Involved with Your Local Chapter

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