

ASME Hudson-Mohawk Section

Tour: *USS Slater*



Saturday
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 10 AM

Port of Albany
Albany, NY

During World War II 563 Destroyer Escorts battled Nazi U-Boats on the North Atlantic protecting convoys of men and material. In the Pacific they stood in line to defend naval task forces from Japanese submarines and Kamikaze air attacks. Today, only one of these ships remains afloat in the United States, the USS Slater. Moored on the Hudson River in Albany, New York, the USS Slater has undergone an extensive ten-year restoration that has returned the ship to her former glory.

Friends and families of members are invited. The section has arranged for a tour at the group rate, and will further subsidize the event to bring the cost per person down to five dollars (\$5.00) per adult and three dollars (\$3.00) for children aged 6-14. Children (age 5 and under) are admitted at no charge.

The USS Slater also offers a "hard hat" tour. This tour is longer and more extensive and, as the name implies,

requires personal protective equipment. When signing up for the October 20th tour, please indicate if you'd be interested in taking and/or organizing a hard hat tour in the future.

Sign up for the October 20th tour by calling Fred Willett at 385-5706 or emailing: willettf1@asme.org. Please sign up by Thursday, October 18th.

Directions:

From the south:

From the New York State Thruway, take exit 23 (I-787 north) to the Port of Albany exit. Take a right turn towards the port, then take a quick left on Broadway. Follow Broadway north to the light at the entrance.

From the north:

I-787 south to Madison Ave. exit; bear left on Broadway, then straight on Broadway for "Snowdock straight ahead"

Past Event:

Thanks to Yogesh Potdar for organizing a summer tour of the Bethlehem Energy Center. The event was well attended and generated much positive feedback.

Volunteer Picnic and Planning Meeting:

The section executive committee held a cook-out in July to welcome new volunteers and begin planning for the new program year. The roster for 2007-2008 is as follows:

Chair (acting)	Fred Willett
Vice-Chair	David Smith
Vice-Chair, Professional Development	Holger Lukas
2 nd Vice-Chair, Professional Development	Art Coons
Vice-Chair, University Relations	Paul Kehoe
Treasurer	Mike Brilliant
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Mark Frontera is taking a break from his duties as newsletter editor, so the position is open. Thanks to Mark for his excellent work over the last several years.

Newsletter mailings will be suspended until the position is filled. Newsletters will still be available at:

<http://sections.asme.org/udson-mohawk/newsletters.html>

The section is always in need of new volunteers to run programs, serve on the executive committee, or make presentations at our meetings. Even without the summer picnic, the rewards are many: organizational/leadership experience, new friends, professional contacts, and the opportunity to represent the section at regional events. For more information, contact Fred Willett or any member of the executive committee.

Opportunities:

The section will post engineering opportunities in the newsletter free of charge. To post a position or learn about the section's guidelines for job postings, contact any member of the executive committee. The posting guidelines will soon be available on the section website.

Belt Sander Racing

Attention racing fans! If you've always wanted to be part of the action instead of just a spectator, the exciting new sport of belt sander racing could be the opportunity you've been waiting for. The section is seeking an individual to develop a racing belt sander and lead a racing team. In addition to competition, the racing team would participate in pre-college (K-12) outreach.

Further information about belt sander racing can be found at beltsanderracing.net or at the New England Belt Sander Racing Association (NEBSRA) website. Interested members should submit a development proposal to Fred Willett, David Smith, or Yogesh Potdar by November 30th. The section sponsorship package is rumored to be in the three figure range.

Section Newsletter Distribution

The Hudson Mohawk newsletter is posted at:
www.asme.org/sections/udson-mohawk.

Once each newsletter is posted on the Section's web page, an e-mail notification and link to the above website is sent to members who have e-mail addresses in the ASME member database. If you are an active member of ASME and did not receive an e-mail notification, please go to the ASME web site and update your membership information.

<http://members.asme.org/myasme/login/myasme.cfm>
