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May 2007

Section Calendar

May 9, 2007 – Westinghouse
Tour – Joint Meeting with IEEE

May 15, 2007 – Annual Awards
Banquet

June 2007 – Summer Planning
Meeting 1

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Fall 2007 – Windber Research
Institute and Joyce Murtha
Breast Care Center Tour

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ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

Program: The Resurgence of Nuclear Power
Westinghouse Electric Co.

Date: Tuesday, May 15, 2007

Time: 6:00 to 8:30 p.m.
Dinner to be served at 6:30
Program at 7:00

Location: Tolerico's
2525 Monroeville Blvd
Monroeville PA 16146

Parking: Free

Dinner: Choice of:
Chicke Marsala
Prime Rib
Grilled Salmon

Cost: \$25.00

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RSVP: by Friday, May 11, 2007

Program Description

Come and join us to honor our 2007 Engineer-of-the-Year Dr. Peyman Givi of the University of Pittsburgh and Industry-of-the-Year, Reliant Energy, Inc.

The awards banquet is always a special opportunity to honor those who have served the Mechanical Engineering community of Pittsburgh with distinction. We will also recognize the achievement of several undergraduate Mechanical Engineering students from the University of Pittsburgh, Carnegie Mellon University and Geneva College.

May 2007 Program – Joint ASME & IEEE Program

Program: Modern Control Room Simulator for Nuclear Power Plants Tour

PLEASE NOTE: THIS EVENT IS FULL! IF YOU WISH TO ADD YOUR NAME TO THE WAITING LIST AND HAVE FIRST CHANCE FOR THE NEXT TOUR CONTACT HEATHER DEBIASE

Date: May 09, 2007

Time: 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Dinner to be served at 5:30 and tours to begin around 6:15
Westinghouse Electric Company, Energy Center

Location: 4350 Northern Pike; Monroeville, PA 15146

(links to maps are provided at <http://sections.asme.org/pgh/>)

Parking: Free

Dinner: During Program

**Cost: Program and Dinner are free to ASME & IEEE Members
Non ASME Members: \$10**

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RSVP: by Friday, May 11, 2007

Program Description

Join the Pittsburgh Sections of ASME and IEEE for this joint program of the Modern Control Room Simulator for Nuclear Plants Tour at Westinghouse Electric Company in Monroeville. Westinghouse will be providing a tour of the AP1000 Nuclear Power Plant Control Room Simulator that is under development, along with an overview of their I&C technology.

The AP1000 is an advanced 1000 megawatt (electric) nuclear power plant that uses the forces of nature and simplicity of design to enhance plant safety and operations and reduce construction costs. The control room design uses compact workstations with soft controls and displays to monitor and control the plant.

Four AP1000 plants have been sold to China and are expected to come on line in 2013. US utilities have likewise recognized the value of this design and have tentatively chosen the AP1000 for 12 domestic plants. We hope you can join us for what will no doubt be a very interesting and educational tour.

When registering for the tour, please be sure to include Name, Company Affiliations and Citizenship. Also, the tour has a limited amount of space. Sign up early to guarantee your space!



Message from the Chair

Greetings Members,

Our first event for this month will be an exciting presentation at the Westinghouse Energy Center on May 9, as we will be seeing a modern control room simulator for nuclear plants. This is a joint meeting with IEEE, and space is limited to forty. A second tour is being planned for those who are unable to attend due to space limitations.

Our Annual Banquet will be on Tuesday, May 15, and will be held at Tolerico's in Monroeville. A guest speaker from Westinghouse will give a presentation on the resurgence of nuclear power. All are invited to come and see this excellent presentation, and see who is named the Engineer of the Year and the Industry of the Year.

Our annual elections were held in February, and our current Vice-Chair Heather DeBiase has been elected to Chair beginning with the new Session on July 1. Also, Jeff Vipperman, Frank Faron, and Al Bouvy have been reelected for 3 year terms as Directors. One of our Past Chairs, Lori Rankin, has also been elected as a Director for a similar term.
Congratulations to all.

As I've stated in my previous monthly communiqués, there is always a need for you the member to become involved with the Executive Committee. The time spent is very minimal and your contributions would be extremely valuable. With the new Session beginning in July, we could use a few supporting committee members such as a Newsletter Editor, a History & Heritage Chair, and a Professional Practice & Ethics Chair. I would especially encourage the early career engineers to consider joining our group. Your involvement is a valuable tool in your career development when you interact with other folks in the local engineering community. Please consider joining us.

An upcoming event I'm trying to arrange is a member/family event. Details will be posted on the website as soon as planning is completed. As always, we rely on you to suggest a tour or program that you would like to see.
Please give us suggestions regarding any place or program of interest and we'll work hard to present the event.

Hope to see you at our upcoming events. Be sure to check updates regularly posted at our website at <http://sections.asme.org/pgh/> as they become available.

Sincerely,
Rich Horne, Chair
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