

## Letter from the Chairman – July 2008

Dear Members:

Here is a summary of this newsletter:

May events:

The Executive Committee did not meet in June. The June newsletter was published. The Lunch & Learn technical programs have been suspended until fall.

On June 19, the ASME Tallahassee Section, jointly with the IEEE Tallahassee Section, hosted a professional development seminar, information about which is available in this newsletter.

As the new fiscal year begins, we look forward to serving your needs again. The Executive Committee again thanks those who have participated in the programs we have organized. Your participation is our reward. Please send your qualms, quibbles, contributions, comments, and suggestions to email address below.

Siddhartha Kamath, PE, Chairman 2007-2008  
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### 2008 CALENDAR

**August 22** – Regular Lunch meeting at Golden Corral  
**September** –

- Welcome Back Students, a joint meeting with IEEE. Tour of the Hopkins Power Plant.
- Date and time to be announced later.
- This meeting will be a late afternoon meeting and will include Hamburger / Hotdog Cookout.

**October** – joint meeting with IEEE. TBA

**November** – PDH Seminar, no regular meeting.  
Details to come.

**December** - TBA

# TALLAHASSEE SENIOR SECTION

## Joint ASME-IEEE PD Course

-- Rick Meeker

On June 19th, ASME Tallahassee teamed up with the Tallahassee Section of the IEEE to offer the course "**Transformer Insulation Life, Construction, and Power Models and Simulation**".

The course was held at the FSU Center for Advanced Power Systems and attended by 23 people, some seeking professional engineering licensure continuing education credit for areas of practice, some just there to expand their knowledge of the design, application, and maintenance of transformers.

The instructor, Mr. Don Duckett, P.E., of HD Supply in Orlando, with extensive experience in transformers through past positions with major manufacturers and utilities, did an outstanding job presenting the subject matter, with many relevant real-world examples interspersed with important basic principles.

Joint ASME-IEEE PD courses in the Tallahassee area have been of good quality and well-attended. So, watch for communications from your local section on future offerings.



## STUDENT SECTIONS

FAMU/FSU Student Section is in Summer Break.

Current activities of the TCC Engineering Club can be found at the Club's Blog: <http://engineeringtcc.blogspot.com/>

# ASME INTERNATIONAL

## Inspiring Engineering Diversity

Engineer Your Life (EYL) and the National Association for College Admissions Counseling (NACAC) are teaming up with ASME at dozens of college fairs for high school students throughout the United States. The EYL campaign has developed, tested and is now providing messages and materials to promote engineering to college-bound high school girls. Volunteers are encouraged to become part of the campaign by participating in the fairs. EYL fair exhibits are designed to break down commonly held perceptions about engineering and encourage girls to consider it as a college and career option. Interested in helping out? Contact Marina Stenos at [stenosm@asme.org](mailto:stenosm@asme.org) for more information.

## Thinking about your career? Visit ASME's Career Center!

Are you thinking about making some major career changes? Perhaps you are looking for a new job, finding out what you are worth, raising your profile at work or networking with other engineers to expand your career opportunities? ASME can help you energize your career this year with a variety of member benefits.

Find a job, build your resume or get advice at ASME's Online Career Center, the only job board dedicated exclusively to Mechanical Engineers. Find out what you're worth by taking the ASME Salary Survey, and get a basic report on how your salary compares to other engineers in your region, field or experience level. Visit the ASME Career Center at <http://www.asme.org/Jobs/> for more information.

## ASME PeerLink<sup>SM</sup> Expands Networking and Collaboration Opportunities for Engineers

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ASME PeerLink now offers new features designed to enhance your experience connecting, collaborating and networking with your peers. ASME PeerLink helps broaden communication capabilities through blogging, interactive whiteboards, document collaboration and real time chat.

To learn more and register, go to <http://peerlink.asme.org>.

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