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You still have time to vote in this year's ASEE National Elections, but time is running out. The deadline is March 31, 2002. So, hunt up your ballot, which was enclosed with your February issue of Prism magazine, and cast your ballot for the several important offices -- including that of ASEE president elect. Return your ballot to ASEE headquarters so it postmarked no later than March 31, 2002, and remember to sign your ballot envelope – a firm requirement to have your vote counted.

K-12
At the end of February, ASEE President Gerald Jakubowski and ASEE Executive Director Frank Huband went to Tucson to meet with representatives of Raytheon Systems, to discuss ASEE's proposed Center for Best Practices for K-12. Isadore Davis, Manager of Engineering University Relations, at Raytheon, attended ASEE's initial K-12 planning meeting last fall, and he arranged the meeting in Tucson. Raytheon has a strong interest in K-12, and following the ASEE presentation, the company committed $5,000 to support ASEE's efforts in K-12.

ASEE ZONE AND SECTION MEETINGS
Information about upcoming zone and section meetings has been posted to ASEE's Event Calendar.

CNSF EXHIBITION
As a member of the Coalition for National Science Funding, ASEE will participate in the CNSF Exhibition on May 15, 2002 on Capitol Hill. The exhibition is designed to showcase the role of the National Science Foundation (NSF) in meeting the nation's research and education needs. The exhibition draws an audience of members of Congress, their staffs, NSF officials, and other scientific and academic societies.

MARCH PRISM ONLINE
The March issue of Prism magazine has been posted to ASEE's web site. If you haven't had time to read your magazine, click on: ASEE Prism and read about the car of the future – it may steer itself, and commuting will be safe and simple.

NAE AWARDS
At the recent National Academy of Engineering awards ceremony, Eli Fromm, Drexel University, was the first recipient of NAE's new Bernard M. Gordon Prize given for inventiveness in engineering and technology education. Fromm was awarded the Gordon Prize for implementing revolutionary ideas that are showing results in areas such as student retention and minority involvement in engineering studies. The Gordon Prize carries a cash award of $500,000 divided between the recipient and the recipient's institution. Robert Langer, MIT, received the distinguished Charles Stark Draper Prize (also $500,000) for his invention of medical technologies that help prolong lives. For more details, go to: http://www.nae.edu.

NORTH MIDWEST SECTION MEETING SCHEDULED
The College of Engineering at the University of Wisconsin - Madison is hosting the annual meeting of the North Midwest Section of the ASEE. The conference will be held from October 10 - 12, 2002 in Madison, Wisconsin. The keynote speaker is Peg Maddocks, Director, Learning Tools and Solutions, Cisco Systems, Inc. This is a call for proposals for papers, panels, posters, or workshops for this event. Proposal abstracts are due by April 15, 2002 and should be sent as Word attachments to Email: asee@epd.engr.wisc.edu.

CHAUTAUQUA COURSES AT UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON
Chautauqua 2002 is offering summer short courses (three days) for engineering faculty. For course details, go to: http://depts.washington.edu/chautaq/. Chautauqua is a national program offering 100 courses in a variety of venues. All course materials are provided by a grant from the National Science Foundation. For questions, Email: chautaq@u.washington.edu.
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At ASEE headquarters, we were very sorry to learn that Margaret Ernst, wife of Edward Ernst (former editor of the Journal of Engineering Education and long-time ASEE member), died in early March. Her obituary will be carried in an upcoming issue of Prism magazine. If you wish to send Ed a note, his home address is: Edward W. Ernst, 120 Spring Valley Court, Columbia, SC 29223.

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