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ASEE NATIONAL ELECTIONS - STILL TIME TO VOTE AND WIN PRIZE

To encourage voting in this year's ASEE elections, there will be a random drawing from members who vote, for one of several iPod prizes, with seven possible winners. First prize will be an iPod Touch 16GB, and six others will win an iPod Nano 8GB. Winners will be notified in April 2008. It's two weeks to voting deadline -- March 31 -- so if you haven't yet voted and returned your ballot, now is the time. You could be a winner!

NEW POLICY REGARDING PAPERS FOR ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The ASEE Board of Directors at its 2008 winter Board Meeting approved the recommendation put forth by ASEE's Professional Interest Council Chairs regarding papers to be presented at ASEE's Annual Conferences. Beginning with the 2009 ASEE Annual Conference in Austin, TX, a *Publish to Present* Policy will apply. This means all papers must be peer reviewed for both presentations at the conference and subsequent publication in the conference proceedings. Exceptions will be limited to speakers invited for panel presentations; corporate speakers, main plenary and distinguished lecture speakers. The 2009 ASEE Annual Conference Call for Papers will take place this June, and the new *Publish to Present* Policy will apply.

STUDENT CONSTITUENT COMMITTEE BYLAWS APPROVED

ASEE's Board of Directors has approved draft by-laws for ASEE's 50th professional interest group, the Student Constituent Committee, which will hold its first business meetings at the Annual Conference this year in Pittsburgh. This group will seek to foster programs for students at ASEE national and regional meetings; promote the establishment of Student Chapters; promote graduate school, scholarship, and fellowship opportunities for engineering students; develop the next generation of ASEE leaders; and build a community of student members. Membership is open to faculty, administrators, and industry people who work closely with students as well as to students themselves. It costs nothing to join. Send a fax (202-265-8504) or e-mail message (membership@asee.org) to the Membership Department to have the Student Constituent Committee added to your ASEE membership -- and spread the word among the engineering students at your school.

WORLD BANK INSTITUTE PARTNERSHIP EXPANDS

For the last two years, ASEE has had a fruitful partnership with the World Bank Institute. World Bank representatives have been involved in the last two global colloquia-in Rio de Janeiro in 2006 and in Istanbul in 2007-and will have a major presence in the 2008 Cape Town Global Colloquium as well. A large component of ASEE’s international work, however, occurs with its role as the Secretariat of the International Federation of Engineering Education Societies (IFees). During a recent meeting between World Bank representatives and IFees leadership, it was agreed that the World Bank Institute will hold a five-hour session during the 2nd IFees Summit, which will take place in Cape Town, co-located with the 2008 ASEE Global Colloquium. For more information on IFees, visit: http://www.ifees.net

PLANNING FOR IUCEE SUMMER LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

In March, leaders of the Indo-US Collaborative for Engineering Education (IUCEE) met at the National Academy of Engineering in Washington, DC, to discuss planning for the IUCEE Summer Leadership Institute, a six-week faculty training meeting to take place on the Infosys Campus in Mysore, India, May-July 2008. The Summer Leadership Institute will convene engineering faculty from throughout India for a series of one-week workshops given by US and Indian faculty experts. These workshops will focus on effective methods for teaching and other key subjects, and are designed to create sustainable communities of practice and collaboration among all participants involved. For 600 available seats, 1,222 Indian faculty applied to the IUCEE Summer Leadership Institute. For more information on IUCEE and the Summer Leadership Institute, go to http://www.iuceed.org

TAU ALPHA PI COMPETITION

Tau Alpha Pi (TAP) is holding a competition open to all current TAP student members. Contestants must write a paper detailing a research project, course project, or capstone design project with which they have been integrally involved. Winners will receive a stipend to attend ASEE's Annual Conference in Pittsburgh and will compete in a presentation competition for top honors and cash awards. All entries must be submitted by April 7, 2008 through their student chapter faculty advisors to Warren Sallade (w.sallade@asee.org). Details about the competition can be found at: http://etidweb.tamu.edu/porter/tapcompetition. For additional questions, contact Jay Porter at porter@entc.tamu.edu
**FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITY**

ASEE administers a number of federal programs that offer fellowship opportunities, including the Naval Research Laboratory (NRL) Postdoctoral Fellowship Program. This program is open to US citizens and legal permanent residents and offers a competitive stipend as well as insurance, relocation, and travel allowances. The program offers one to three year postdoctoral fellowships designed to increase the involvement of scientists and engineers from academia and industry to scientific and technical areas of interest and relevance to the Navy. The program has a rolling admission. For further details, go to: [http://www.asee.org/nrl](http://www.asee.org/nrl)

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**2008 EPICS CONFERENCE REGISTRATION OPEN**

Registration is open for the 2008 EPICS Conference on Service-Learning in Engineering and Technology, to be held at Purdue University, May 20-22. For details, see: [http://epicsnational.ecn.purdue.edu/public/conferences/national_2008.php](http://epicsnational.ecn.purdue.edu/public/conferences/national_2008.php). For questions, please contact National EPICS Coordinator Natalie Kubat at: nkubat@purdue.edu.

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**SHPE SCHOLARSHIP**

Hispanic college students pursuing degrees in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) are invited to apply for more than $2 million in scholarship and internship opportunities through AHETEMS (Advancing Hispanic Excellence in Technology, Engineering, Math and Science), the educational foundation of the Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers (SHPE). If interested, know the deadline is fast approaching. All applications must be postmarked by April 1. Students may apply for as many scholarships as they are qualified, and there is no fee to apply. For requirements and to apply, go to: [http://ahetems.org/scholarships.html](http://ahetems.org/scholarships.html)

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