CONGRATULATIONS TO ANNUAL CONFERENCE BEST PAPER WINNERS FOR 1999.

Winners of the 1999 Best Paper Competition are as follows:

- Best Overall Paper goes to James Peterson, University of Idaho for his paper, "Feasibility, Design, and Construction of a Small Hydroelectric Power Generation System as a Student Design Project."
- John Schemmel, University of Arkansas, won best paper in PIC I for his paper, "Reinforce Design and Construction Issues with a Comprehensive Laboratory Project."
- In PIC II, Melissa Tooley, University of Arkansas, won best paper for her " Using a Capstone Design Course to Facilitate ABET 2000 Program Outcomes."
- In PIC III, Craig Somerton, Michigan State University, took the best paper award with his " A Nusselt Number Correlation Classification System."
- Deborah Kauffman, North Carolina State University, in PIC IV won best paper for her " Peer Ratings in Cooperative Learning Teams."

Winners will be announced in the October PRISM Magazine and will be recognized at the 2000 Annual Conference Awards Banquet in St. Louis.

EDC CHAIR TESTIFIES BEFORE COMMISSION.

Stephen Director, Chair of the ASEE Engineering Deans Council and Dean of the University of Michigan College of Engineering testified before the Commission on the Advancement of Women and Minorities in Science, Engineering, and Technology Development at NSF on July 20, 1999. Director was invited to testify on recruiting women and under represented minority students into undergraduate engineering programs, and the text of his testimony can be found at: [http://www.asee.org/policy](http://www.asee.org/policy). The Commission became law last fall and is charged with reviewing the issues raised by the 1995 NRC report: "Women Scientists and Engineers Employed in Industry: Why So Few?" and the 1996 NSF Report "Women, Minorities, & Persons with Disabilities in Science and Engineering." Details on the Commission can be found at: [http://www.nsf.gov/od/cawmset](http://www.nsf.gov/od/cawmset).

UPCOMING SECTION MEETINGS.

The North Midwest Section is holding its meeting this fall at the University of Manitoba in Canada, September 23-25. Contact M.G. (Ron Britton), email: ron_britton@umanitoba.ca for information. Also meeting this fall is the Middle Atlantic Section, which has scheduled its meeting November 6, at the Pennsylvania State UniversityHarrisburg. Contact is William Welsh, who can be reached at email: waw1@psu.edu. The 1999-2000 ASEE Section Meetings Calendar, which was updated July 23, has information on these two fall meetings as well as information on 11 Section meetings that will be held in the spring. Go to: [http://www.asee.org/members/sections/sectionmeetings.htm](http://www.asee.org/members/sections/sectionmeetings.htm)
DATE FOR PUBLIC POLICY COLLOQUIUM SET.

The 2000 Engineering Deans Council Public Policy Colloquium will be held on February 15-16, 2000, in Washington, D.C., at the Westin Fairfax Hotel and on Capitol Hill. William Schowalter (University of IL-Urbana) is Chair of the Public Policy Committee, David Wormley (Penn State) is Vice Chair, and new Public Policy Committee members are: Deans David Ashley (Ohio State), JeanLou Chameau (GA Tech), Robert Conn (UC San Diego), Richard Schwartz (Purdue), and James Tien (RPI).

STEVEN DUTY TO DIRECT ASEE MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES.

Steve Duty has replaced Dyanne Hughes as the head of ASEE's Conferences Department. Hughes resigned after the Annual Conference in Charlotte to join the American Association of School Administrators. Duty is a Certified Meeting Planner with over 10 years of experience in developing and executing domestic and international meetings, conventions, and trade shows. Before joining ASEE, he held the position of Assistant Director of Industry Affairs for the Association of the United States Army, the largest private nonprofit military association in the world. There, he directed the operations of a fullservice meetings/conventions department with a $2 million annual budget. He received his B.S. in Hotel & Restaurant Management from the University of Houston.

EVALUATION FORMS ON WEB.

The Evaluation Forms for the '99 ASEE Annual Conference in Charlotte are now available at: http://www.asee.org/conferences/html/evaluation_form.htm. They can be filled out online or there is a printable version if you prefer to fax or mail your comments. Steve Duty, ASEE's new Conferences Director, is interested in your comments on the Conference. Fill out the evaluation forms, or if you prefer, send him your comments at email: s.duty@asee.org.

PRISM WINS FIVE APEX AWARDS.

ASEE PRISM won the top APEX '99 Award for Overall Magazine Excellence for the April '99 PRISM issue. This award is given for best graphic design, editorial content, and the achievement of overall communications excellence. PRISM also took four other APEX Awards for: Feature Writing, March 1999 PRISM, "A Web of Connections/Around the World in 24 Hours"; Best Rewrites, September 1998 PRISM, "Tools For Going Faster and Farther"; Spreads (Design), February 1999 PRISM, "Working in Two Worlds"; and Personality Profiles, February 1999 PRISM, "Keeping Up With Anita Jones." APEX stands for Awards for Publication Excellence and the national competition is for publication excellence for communications professionals.

PRISM ARTICLE CONNECTS.
The online publication about women in business, womenCONNECT.com, will reproduce the February 1999 ASEE PRISM profile on Anita Jones and provide a link to the ASEE site. See http://www.womenconnect.com

'99 EDI PROCEEDINGS ON THE WEB.

Proceedings from the 1999 Engineering Deans Institute are now on the Web at http://www.asee.org/conferences/edi99/. They include the first Power Point presentations to be featured on the ASEE website.

ASEE WEB SITE TO BE REDESIGNED.

ASEE Web Manager Tracy Guthery is in the process of redesigning the ASEE Web Site as ASEE continues to expand its Internet presence. She welcomes comments about our current site: what do you like, what don't you like, what areas need improvement? How easy is it to find what you need? Are there things you feel are missing? Send her your thoughts at email: t.guthery@asee.org.

ASEE CIEC CONFERENCE SET TO MEET IN ORLANDO.

The ASEE Conference for Industry and Education Collaboration (CIEC) will be held January 31-February 4, 2000, at Lake Buena Vista in Orlando, FL. This will be the 25th anniversary of the CIEC Conference, and the theme will be "Return on Investment Through Educational Partnerships." See http://www.asee.org/conferences/html/ciec.htm for more information.

REP. GEORGE BROWN DIES.

ASEE is among the many who mourned the loss of Congressman George E. Brown, Jr., who died on July 15, in Bethesda, MD. Brown, in his 18th term in the House, was the Ranking Democratic Member on the House Science Committee and a senior member of the House Agriculture Committee. He served as Chairman of the House Science Committee during the 102nd and 103rd Congresses and was known in the Congress as a champion of the space program and for his work on science and technology issues. In the mid-1960s and again in the 1980s, Brown led an effort to restructure and strengthen the National Science Foundation, moving the agency into more active roles in engineering, science education, and the development of advanced technologies. California Governor Davis has announced that a special primary election to fill the vacancy left by Brown will be held September 21, 1999.

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