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LETTER OF CONGRATULATION TO PRESIDENT BUSH

ASEE President Wallace Fowler has sent a letter of congratulations President George W. Bush and has offered the cooperation and assistance of ASEE in education initiatives.

CIEC SET FOR SAN DIEGO

The ASEE Conference for Industry and Education Collaboration (CIEC) will be held January 30-February 2, 2001 at the Town and Country Resort in San Diego, CA. For additional details, see: http://www.asee.org/conferences/ciec2001/default.htm.

ASEE BOARD TO MEET FOLLOWING CIEC MEETING

The ASEE Board of Directors will meet on Saturday, February 3, 2001 in San Diego. After the Board meeting, ASEE’s Long Range Planning Committee will also meet.

NASA SUMMER FACULTY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) supports a program of summer faculty fellowships for full-time engineering and science educators at U.S. colleges and universities. In a series of collaborations between NASA research and development centers and nearby universities, engineering and science faculty members spend 10 weeks working with professional peers on research. The program is designed for U.S. citizens with teaching or research appointments at U.S. universities or colleges, and approximately 150 first-year fellowships will be awarded. The application deadline is February 2, 2001. See: http://www.asee.org/fellowship/nasa for details.

NEW INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERS JOIN ASEE

ASEE is pleased that three new Engineering Affiliate Members joined ASEE in December. They are: Smith College, F.W. Olin College of Engineering, and University of Texas, Brownsville.

PRISM MAGAZINE

You should soon be receiving the February issue of Prism Magazine. This month's issue puts its focus on precollege education, and it looks at good examples of engineering colleges, faculty, and students working to make science and math exciting to the K-12 crowd. Next month, the March issue of Prism will contain the Ballot for ASEE’s National Elections. For a review of the candidates, you can go to ASEE’s web site at: http://www.asee.org/welcome/elections. Click on the photo to bring up the candidate’s resume and statement.

ASEE ENGINEERING DEANS COUNCIL TO HONOR REP. BOEHLERT AT COLLOQUIUM

Incoming House Science Committee Chair Sherwood Boehlert (R-NY) will receive an award from the Engineering Deans Council (EDC) during the upcoming ASEE Public Policy Colloquium. At a Capitol Hill reception on the evening of the first day of the Colloquium, February 13, the EDC will recognize Representative Boehlert for his long-standing commitment to and substantial work on engineering education and research issues.

EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY OFFERS STUDY ABROAD IN EGYPT
Eastern Illinois University has scheduled a three credit hours course entitled "Egypt 2001: The Toshka Project," for May 30-June 11, 2001. Participants will witness the creation of a New Valley for the River Nile in the western desert of Egypt and meet the Toshka project's engineers and officials to study the projects's far reaching effects. The course will include visits to the classic sites in Egypt, and is open to undergraduates, graduates, and colleagues. Deadline to register is February 15, 2001. Contact Dr. Wafeek Wahby, Eastern Illinois University, at Tel: 217-581-2318, or e-mail: cfws@eiu.edu. For more information, see: http://www.eiu.edu/~tech/StudyAbroadPage.htm.

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