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IUGREEE SPRING WORKSHOP

ASEE President-Elect Dr. Gerald Jakubowski, Loyola Marymount University, and Dr. Ray M. Haynes, TRW Space & Electronics Group, invite you to attend and actively participate in the Industry, University, Government Roundtable for Enhancing Engineering Education (IUGREEE) Spring Workshop. This IUGREEE Workshop will be held April 29-May 1 at Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles, CA. Fifteen speakers representing industry, university, and government will share their experiences with innovative programs for enhancing engineering education. There is no registration fee, thanks to generosity of sponsor, TRW. Go to: http://www.asee.org/conferences/iugreee/default.cfm for full program details and registration information. In February 2001, the ASEE Board voted to offer one year of free ASEE institutional membership to all IUGREEE members who are not currently ASEE members and who attend the IUGREEE meeting at Loyola Marymount.

COME TO THE ASEE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Every year, ASEE members gather at the ASEE Annual Conference to attend educational technical sessions, meet old friends, and attend business meetings, and various breakfasts, lunches, and dinners. This year, the Annual Conference will be held in Albuquerque, New Mexico, June 24-27, and the headquarters hotel is the Hyatt Regency Albuquerque.

ASEE ANNUAL CONFERENCE - REGISTRATION REMINDER

Registration opened March 1st. You can save money by registering early. Registration is $327 if you register immediately, on or before April 15th. It is $382 if you register between April 16-June 19. And it is $415 if you wait to register on site. You can register by mail, fax or online. Go to http://www.asee.org/conferences/annual2001/registration.htm. The Conferences Department reports that 600+ have already registered. This conference has the earmarks of being the best attended conference ASEE has held. See next item.

ASEE ANNUAL CONFERENCE - HOTEL UPDATE

Three of the hotels - the Hyatt Regency, the Doubletree and La Posada - for the Albuquerque Annual Conference are fully booked. In fact 60% of all the conference hotel rooms have already been booked. It appears that If you haven’t made your reservations, consider doing so as soon as possible. All hotel reservations are made through the Housing Bureau; go to: http://www.asee.org/conferences/annual2001/housing.htm.

KAMEN WILL ADDRESS CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS

Dean Kamen will be the main plenary speaker on Monday, June 25th at 8:30 a.m. Kamen is an inventor and an entrepreneur who holds more than 150 U.S. and foreign patents. His more recent
inventions include the HomeChoice dialysis machine, and the Independent 3000 iBot Transporter, a personal vehicle developed for the disabled community. But it’s his newest mystery product, “IT,” that has received national media coverage. IT won’t be revealed till next year, but speculation is that IT stands for Individual Transportation. Don’t miss the Prism Magazine profile of Kamen in the double May/June issue, entitled “Action Man.”

ERM INVITES YOU TO BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS

The Educational Research and Methods division invites you to attend the Breakfast with Champions session (#1130) at the ASEE Annual Conference in Albuquerque. The session will be held on Monday, June 25 at 7 - 8:15 am. Please note that you do not need to register or pay for this session if you don’t want breakfast but want to come and join in the conversations and discussions. At the Breakfast of Champions we will be discussing issues related to centers of education including current paradigms for existing and emerging engineering education centers, the logistics and resources required to set up such centers, the benefits to be realized and pitfalls to be avoided in this process, how such centers may collaborate synergistically, and how these campus-based centers may positively affect educators at other institutions. The session will be an interactive discussion between nationally recognized engineering educators and those involved currently with existing centers for engineering education. We hope that the outcomes of this session can be formed into a list of best practices for forming centers of engineering education. For more information, please see: http://www.asee.org/webmat/details.cfm?session_id=1176.

ASEE/SEFI/TUB COLLOQUIUM

September 15-18, 2001 are the dates for the international colloquium that ASEE will hold in Berlin with the European Association for Engineering Education (SEFI) and with Berlin Technical University. The three major topics are entrepreneurship, national accreditation and global practices, and technology in learning systems. The Colloquium Program Committee, under the excellent direction of Ernest Smerdon, University of Arizona, and past ASEE President, has put together an outstanding program. William Wulf, President of the National Academy of Engineering, will give a keynote presentation entitled, “Some Interesting Options for Engineering Education Enabled by Information Technology.” Gerald Jakubowski, Loyola Marymount University, and ASEE 2001-2002 President, will open the meeting with SEFI President Torbjorn Hedberg, and TUB President Hans-Jurgen Ewers. Go to: http://www.asee.org/conferences/international/default.cfm for detailed information, including the complete program with plenary and breakout speakers.

NDSEG FELLOWSHIPS INCREASE FOR 2001

The number of National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate Fellowships that ASEE will disburse for the Department of Defense this year has risen dramatically. ASEE’s Projects Department reports that 285 awardees, up from 108 last year, will receive three to four year fellowships for study leading to doctoral degrees in math, physical, biological, ocean, and engineering sciences. To increase the number of U.S. citizens trained in disciplines of science and engineering of military importance, DOD awards graduate fellowships of up to $20,000/per
year plus tuition each year. ASEE has the responsibility for application processing and review, and paying all stipend and tuition expenses.

**OPPORTUNITY TO CONSULT**

ASEE has partnered with the Gerson Lehrman Group, a New York based technology research company, to generate short-term consulting opportunities for ASEE members. The Gerson Lehrman Group, [http://www.thecouncils.com](http://www.thecouncils.com), runs the Council of Communications Advisors, a network of engineers, consultants and others who are paid to consult with investment management firms. The Gerson Lehrman Group pays Advisors their customary consulting rates. You can apply to become an Advisor at: [http://www.thecouncils.com/aseeapp.asp](http://www.thecouncils.com/aseeapp.asp). If you have questions, please contact Jasen Li at email: jli@glgroup.com or telephone: 212-838-6900, ext. 225.

**29TH ICC&IE**

The 29th International Conference on Computers and Industrial Engineering will be held in Montreal, Canada, November 1-3, 2001. The meeting is hosted by L’Ecole de Technologie Superieure (ETS), Universite Du Quebec and it will provide a forum for researchers, educators and practitioners in Industrial Engineering and related areas. For information on accommodations, abstract submission, and important deadlines, go to: [http://www.umoncton.ca/cie/](http://www.umoncton.ca/cie/) and click on Conferences.

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