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#### **ASEE PRESIDENT HONORED**

Eugene M. DeLoatch, ASEE President, and Dean of the School of Engineering at Morgan State University will be honored at the 2003 Black Engineer of the Year Awards Conference, February 13-15, 2003, in Baltimore, MD. DeLoatch has been named the recipient of the 2003 Pioneer Award which will be presented at the awards ceremony hosted by U.S. Black Engineer & Information Technology magazine, the Council of Engineering Deans of the Historically Black Colleges and universities, and Lockheed Martin Corporation. For more information, go to: <http://www.blackengineeroftheyear.org>.

#### **ASEE 2ND INTERNATIONAL MEETING**

The 2nd ASEE Global Conference on Engineering Education combined with the 6th Congress of the World Federation of Engineering Organizations will be held June 20-22, 2003 prior to the ASEE Annual Conference in Nashville, TN. Core issues that will be addressed at the colloquium are: Continuing Education & Its Delivery, International Recognition of Qualifications, and Developments in Teaching & Learning. Participants will include engineering educators, practitioners, corporate executives, and major companies. For additional details, go to: <http://www.asee.org/conferences/international2003/default.cfm>. ASEE's Annual Conference and Exposition immediately follows the colloquium in Nashville, from June 22-25, 2003.

#### **NOMINATE A WORTHY ASSOCIATE AS AN ASEE FELLOW**

You still have time to nominate a deserving colleague as an ASEE Fellow. Members achieving the fine grade of Fellow will be honored at the 2003 ASEE Awards Banquet at the Annual Conference in Nashville, Tennessee, June 22-25, 2003. The Grade of Fellow is one of unusual professional distinction and is conferred by the Board of Directors upon an ASEE member with outstanding and extraordinary qualifications and experience in engineering or engineering technology education or allied field, who has made appropriate and important individual contributions. Special attention is given to an individual's contributions within ASEE. The deadline for submitting Fellow Member nominations is February 1, 2003. Online award nomination forms and other related information can be found at: <http://www.asee.org/awards>.

#### **INS TO HOLD SEVIS WORKSHOPS**

Several higher education associations in collaboration with the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) will present four regional workshops on the implementation of the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS). Federal regulations require that all institutions that enroll foreign students be in "full compliance" with SEVIS by January 30, 2003. The workshops are free of charge and open to higher education professionals who will be part of the SEVIS implementation. Meetings will be held in the following cities: Boston, January 27; Chicago, January 30; San Francisco, January 31; Atlanta, February 6. For further information, go to the American Council on Education web site: <http://www.acenet.edu/washington/SEVIS>.

#### **HOW CREATIVE THE ENGINEER?**

If you enjoyed the article in November's Prism Magazine about the stunning new art museum in Fort Worth that engineers helped create, you might enjoy reading more about the modern art museum in the December 23 & 30 issue of The New Yorker magazine. While the article, "A Delicate Balance," focuses on the vision of the Japanese architect, Tadao Ando, the descriptions of the building help the reader envision its splendor. See: [http://www.newyorker.com/critics/skyline/?021223crsk\\_skyline](http://www.newyorker.com/critics/skyline/?021223crsk_skyline).

#### **COVERING UP CHERNOBYL**

There was an interesting front page article in the December 29th issue of the Washington Post about the engineering feat of enclosing the site of Chernobyl. Engineers are designing a movable structure – a 20,000 steel shell, 370 feet high -- that will slide forward on tracks to cover the Chernobyl Reactor and its damaged radioactive core. The 1986 Chernobyl explosion was the worst nuclear accident in history, and 16 years later, efforts are still being made to contain the consequences. See: <http://www.washingtonpost.com/>.

#### **BEAUTIFUL ENGINEERS**

Two engineers made the Washingtonian Magazine's year-end list of 25 Most Beautiful People in this month's issue. Evidently stung that no Washingtonians made People Magazine's annual 50 Most Beautiful People list, the Washingtonian created its own list of the beautiful and the bright. Two engineers made the 25 – Drew Fielding, a graduate of Virginia Tech and a mechanical engineer who designs laser machinery, and Robert Shockley, an engineer who works on biomedical lab instruments used by pharmaceutical companies (and who made the magazine's cover). Both are photographed without their shirts, so there's not a pocket protector in sight.

Happy New Year to all.

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