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March 25th Meeting - Post on Bulletin Boards

Newsletter

Dinner Meeting & Tour - March 25 2003



ASAMA COLDWATER MANUFACTURING

180 Asama Parkway, Coldwater, MI (517) 279-1090

Schedule:

5:30 - 6:00 Registration - Social Time
6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Dinner @ Monroe Street Station --. 19 Monroe Street,
Coldwater, MI Phone (517) 278-3149--(See map & directions on back page)
7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Tour of Asama Coldwater MFG. (ACM)
8:30 p.m. Adjourn.

Dinner Menu:

Buffet featuring Roast Beef with Mushrooms, Chicken Cordon Bleu,
& Lasagna. Vegetables are: Potatoes Au Gratin, Green beans with
Almonds and California blend. Salads are: Mixed Lettuce & Trimmings,
Or Jell-O Molds. Choice of coffee, Tea or Lemonade. Butter Pecan Ice
Cream Desert. Please state choice of entrée only with your reservation.

Members \$18.00 -- Students \$9.00

Reservations:

Call or Email by Mar. 22 to:

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Please give name, meal choice, and company affiliation for each reservation. Remember that the Section has to pay each reservation

not fulfilled. Please cancel your reservation if you find you cannot attend.

You may reserve to attend the tour without reserving for the dinner. Please indicate your interest in carpooling with your reservation.

Facility Tour:

Attendees must register in advance.



ASAMA COLDWATER MANUFACTURING

Asama Coldwater MFG. (ACM) was established in 1996 in Columbus, Ohio as a joint venture between HONDA of America and Asama Giken of Japan. Coldwater, Michigan was selected as the site for the Manufacturing Plant. The first Associates were hired in 1997, and production began in December 1997. Presently there are over 365 Associates.

ACM manufactures automobile parts for Honda Motors. These parts consist of brake rotors and drums, suspension steering knuckles, and transmission differential. cases. ACM is a dual operation with a Cast Iron Foundry and a Cast Iron Machining Facility. Operations consist of a three-shift 5-6 day run week. We will see both operations.

The Casting facility is casting over 1,200 Tons / month of cast iron and the Machining Department machines over 324,350 parts per month.

We will be lead on our tour by Tom Frederick, Casting Manager and Dave Proffitt, Production coordinator, 2nd Shift. Don't miss the opportunity to see the newest foundry and machine shop in our Section.

Chairman's Message:

FIRST ROBOTICS COMPETITION SEASON BEGINS -- Inspire and Excite Young People about Science and Technology - Get involved with the FIRST 2003 Robotics Competitions!

The FIRST Robotics Competition was kicked-off in New Hampshire on January 4, 2003 and will reach

more than 20,000 students on over 800 teams in 24 competitions. The teams come from Canada, Brazil, the U.K., and almost every U.S. state.

The final competition will be held in Houston, TX on April 10-12 where ASME will announce seven ASME/FIRST Scholarship recipients. At this year's event, ASME will again distribute guide materials to students and teachers. If you're interested in making a difference in the lives of young people, visit the website for more information on how you can get involved with FIRST:

<http://www.asme.org/education/precollege/first/first.htm>

You may also want to check out the regional competition in your area:

http://www.usfirst.org/frc/public/FMPro?-db=team%20events.fp5&-lay=web&-format=event_stats.htm&-findany

e-Newsletters are coming:

To hold down costs and improve delivery of our newsletter, the executive council is planning to send the newsletter to members by e-mail whenever possible. The current newsletter along with past newsletters will be available for viewing at this link <http://www.asme.org/sections/cmich/> to the section web page. Many of you have been receiving both e-mailed newsletters and printed newsletters via USPS delivery. The duplicate newsletters cost the section money that we would like to allocate for enhanced membership programs.

If you have an e-mail address and do not receive an electronic version of the newsletter you can update your personal information online at <http://www.asme.org>. Click on the *Members Only* tab at the top left of your screen, log in with your last name and membership number. Follow the links for changing your membership profile. While visiting the ASME WebPages, you may also wish to sign up for an ASME e-mail alias address. ASME has added a SPAM filter for those using the Email Alias service!

- **What is an Email Alias?**

This is not an email account only an alias. All email sent to *youralias@asme.org* is automatically forwarded to the primary email address you provide ASME, such as your home or work email. No set up or programming is required on your PC. At this time ASME.ORG does not allow personalization of your ASME.ORG email address.

- **The Benefits:**

- An Anti-SPAM filter on all forwarded mail!
- An email address that you can keep for a lifetime
- No hassle notifying friends, colleagues, etc. whenever your primary email address changes
- No missed email as long as you remember to update your forwarding email address when there is a change. You can turn forwarding on or off as you desire.

SECTION ELECTIONS:

The executive committee will soon be meeting to form a slate of officer candidates for next year. Please consider how you may help with the administration of the Central Michigan Section of ASME. Please volunteer with any officer or executive committee member.

RECRUIT NEW MEMBERS -- Support your profession and ME students.

The 2002-2003 Member-Get-A-Member Campaign continues through June 30, 2003. Recruit a new member and 50% of their first year dues will fund scholarships for ASME student members. It's easy to offer membership to your colleagues! Visit <http://www.asme.org/membershipdrive> to learn more about the campaign and resources to get started.

Map to Monroe Street Station & ASAMA Coldwater MFG., Coldwater, MI

From I-69 take Exit 12 towards Coldwater West Bound on Chicago St.. Approx. 1 mi. to South Monroe St. To go to the plant, take Chicago St. to North Michigan Rd. to Asama Parkway.

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