



Diversity Action Grant Received

ASME-International has awarded a \$1000 grant to the Arkansas Tech Student Section of ASME for an "Aerospace Design Workshop." This Workshop will teach rocket design concepts to Russellville girls & boys in the 4th through 9th Grades. In partnership with Pope County 4-H and the Arkansas Section of ASME, the Tech students will serve as mentors and small group leaders. Enrollment will begin in February and the Workshop events will be conducted in March & April. For more information, contact Andrew Taylor at 479-858-3531.

Annual Honors and Awards Banquet

The annual Honors and Awards Banquet is fast approaching. Please contact Mark Treat to confirm your attendance. Mark can be reached at: mtreat@cswnet.com or by phone at 870-540-2971.

- Event:** Arkansas ASME Honors & Awards Banquet
- Date:** February 6, 2003
6:00 p.m.
- Location:** Cock-of-the-Walk Restaurant,
7103 Cock-of-the-Walk Lane,
Maumelle, AR 72113
(501) 758-7182
- Speaker:** Mr. Arthur Ebeling
Indy Racing and the Effects of
Aerodynamics on the Car
- Cost:** \$15 members/guests
\$ 7.50 students/guests

Directions to Cock-of-the-Walk:
From I-430 turn West on Maumelle Boulevard at exit 12.
Maumelle Boulevard is divided with a median. Go 1.5 miles to the stoplight at Counts Masse Rd. and make u-turn.
Take 1st street to right. (at Cock of the Walk sign)
Restaurant is approximately 1/4 mile from street.

Note: from I-40, exit 12 is 1/4 mile south on I-430.

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Section Elections Approach

Elections for Arkansas Section Officers and Committee Chairs for the 2003-2004 year will be held in February. A Nominations Committee has been formed composed of the following members:

Stan Apple – Immediate Past Chair
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Mark Treat – Current Chair
(870) 540-2971
mtreat@cswnet.com

Dr. Rick Couvillon – Member
(479) 575-3153
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Dr. Brad Edgar – Member
(870) 972-2088
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The Nominations Committee is now accepting nominations for officer positions and suggestions/volunteers for committee and other appointments. If you are interested in serving the Section for the coming year, or know of a member who you feel would be a good fit for one of the positions available, please contact one of the members above with your nomination.

Nominations are due by January 30, 2003 and a ballot will appear in the February newsletter.

Don't be shy! Participate in your Section activities and take an active role in shaping the future of the Arkansas Section.

RAC/GSTC/RSC

The 2003 Regional Administrative Conference, Graduate Student Technical Conference, and Regional Student Conference will be held March 27-29 in Houston, Texas. The Arkansas Section will be sending representatives to the RAC to insure our input on actions taken or proposed by the Region X office.

At this time, the members who will be representing the Arkansas section have not been identified. However, if you have a concern or opinion that you wish relayed to our representatives, please forward them to one of the officers and they will be made available to our sections representatives for the RAC.

This Space for Rent!

Just a reminder to all businesses out there that Arkansas ASME will accept paid advertising in our monthly newsletter. The newsletter is published 6-8 times per year and mailed to all ASME members in Arkansas with the exception of a few counties in the Texarkana area. The following price schedule is currently in effect:

Business Card Size (2" x 3") \$30.00/Yr.
One-Eighth Page (7"x 1.25") \$85.00/Yr.
One-Quarter Page (7" x 2.5") \$140.00/Yr.
One-Half Page (7"x 5") \$195.00/Yr.
Three-Quarter Page (7" x 6.25") \$240.00/Yr.
Full Page (7" x 10") \$300.00/Yr.

These prices are for a minimum of six insertions. Contact the newsletter editor

March Meeting Notice

The March Arkansas Section meeting will be held on March 6, 2003 in Russellville hosted by the Arkansas Tech University Student Section. The meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. and will include a presentation by the students on the Aerospace Design Workshop program that recently received a Diversity Action Grant from ASME. Further details regarding the program, location and meal cost will be announced in the February newsletter. Please contact Drs. Fithen or Krohn with questions.

Your Email Address – The Key to ASME International

Did you know that your email address is the key to what's happening at ASME? By providing us with your current email address, you can learn about events taking place in your local section, such as professional development courses, industry tours, section meetings, lectures, networking opportunities and technical conferences.

Updating your email address online only takes a few minutes. To access your membership information, go to www.asme.org. Click on the "Members Only" tab to log onto this site. Be sure to have your member number on hand. After logging on to Members Only, select the "Change of Address and Information" link, located on the upper right-hand side of your screen. From this screen, you will be able to update your primary contact information.

So don't miss out on all that ASME has to offer! If you have any questions about your membership information, contact InfoCentral at infocentral@asme.org.

Nominate A Young Engineer Today!!!

Nominations are being accepted for the *Young Engineers Award* - honoring young engineers that have made outstanding contributions to their profession, community, and the work of ASME.

Award recipient wins \$5000 Cash and a Prepaid-Life Membership (value \$2,500) -
Deadline: March 1, 2003.

Log on to:

<http://www.asme.org/cma/og/youngengineer.html>
for complete details.

Interested in Nominating A Colleague for Fellow?

Recognize a colleague's engineering achievements by nominating a member for the grade of Fellow. An ASME Fellow is one who has attained a membership grade of distinction at the time of advancement. The member shall be a corporate member of the Society, shall have been responsible for significant engineering achievements, and shall have had either not less than 10 years of active practice and 10 years of continuous corporate membership in ASME, or 20 years of active practice and 5 years of continuous corporate membership in ASME.

To get additional information on nominating a member to the grade of fellow, log onto <http://www.asme.org/member/fellow/index.html> or call John Beck at 212-591-8463.

Recruitment and Retention Kit Added to the Online Local Information Center!

ASME has created a new recruitment and retention kit for sections with specific tools to help you get new members and retain your current members.

Included in the kit are tips on recruiting face to face, a downloadable list of ASME benefits, sample renewal letters and emails, and phone scripts for welcoming young engineers and encouraging members to renew.

To access this new feature, visit the Local Leadership Toolbox at

www.asme.org/leadershiptoolbox/r&r.html

Please direct any questions or comments regarding the Recruitment and Retention kit to Roberta Gorman, program manager, Membership at gormanr@asme.org

The Value of Your Membership Has Just Increased

If you have earned a baccalaureate degree or an advanced degree and have been out of school 4 years or less you can save up to 60% on Member Dues. Checkout the current member dues rates available at

<http://www.asme.org/member/info.html>

ASME Fundamentals of Engineering FE Exam Review OnLine

Ordering Information: Product No. ZFENBC

\$395 ASME Member

\$495 Non-Member

Starts Feb. 10, 2003. Duration: 10 weeks (April 14)

Registration deadline Feb. 3

[To Register](#)

[Demo Online Class](#) and select "preview."

Study on your schedule-24/7 **and** get answers from experienced FE instructors online.

With study on your own, the FE course can be taken any time. Similar to a live class, this online course offers interaction — via email and online discussion — with experienced FE prep instructors and others taking the course.

Within this ten week course there are 12 modules covering the following topics: chemistry, computer, dynamics, electric circuits, engineering economics, ethics, fluid mechanics, material science, mathematics, mechanics of materials, statics and thermodynamics.

In addition to these modules, there are practice questions similar to those that exam takers will have to tackle. The course requires a computer with Internet access and Microsoft Word and PowerPoint software.

For more information on the web go to: <http://www.asme.org/education/disted/examprep.htm>

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