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January Program: **Intellectual Property**

- Date:** Wednesday, January 21, 2004
Time: 5:30 PM -- Presentation and Q&A
Place: University of Toledo, College of Engineering
Nitschke Hall Seminar Room (NI 1027)
Cost: No Charge
Reservations: Please RSVP if you plan to attend by contacting Glenn Siddens at 419-474-5786 or siddensg@asme.org

Do you have any new or unique ideas that you think you could make lots of money from by producing and selling? Surely as an engineer, you like to tinker, invent, and dream up new widgets and devices.

If so, please attend the January 21, 2004 event for some Q & A with Dr. Donald K. Wedding, Sr., Intellectual Property Law Attorney at The University of Toledo College of Business Administration

Dr. Wedding will give a PowerPoint presentation and answer questions on Patents, Trademarks, Intellectual Property, and Trade Secrets.

This program is particularly beneficial to engineers who are involved in Research, Development, or Design, or those who have inventive minds and want to capitalize on their ideas.

This program is open to anyone who wishes to attend. Members, guests, and students, are welcome.

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Chair's Comments

Engineer's Week, the week of February 22-28, 2004 for the Toledo area will include many events for you as engineers, and I strongly encourage you to attend as many events as you are able.

A complete schedule and online registration may be found on the TST website at:

http://www.techsocietytoledo.org/upcomingevents/eweek_2004.htm

including the Engineer of the Year Luncheon on Monday, February 23 and the Banquet on Thursday, February 26.

The one event I remember most from long ago is *Engineer for a Day* (this year on Wednesday, February 25), where after a luncheon at Gladieux Meadows, students are matched with engineers of local engineering and manufacturing companies and return to experience what it is like to be an engineer for the rest of the afternoon.

It was that very program I went to as a high school student, uncertain about my future that contributed to me pursuing a career in engineering. I encourage you to involve yourself in Engineer's week in any way you can.

Stay warm,
Glenn Siddens.

GOVERNMENT UNVEILS "ONE-STOP" SHOP FOR GRANTS

The federal government In December unveiled a web portal that designed to provide comprehensive access to Federal grant opportunities. Dubbed "Grants.gov," the site links users to over 900 grant programs offered by the 26 Federal grant-making agencies that administer over \$350 billion in funding distributed each year to state and local governments, academia, not-for-profits organizations, and other institutions. The site is a centerpiece of President Bush's federal E-Government Initiative, which is intended to use the Internet to deliver government services as a way to save taxpayer dollars and facilitate citizen-to-government communications.

See the HHS Press Release at:

<http://www.hhs.gov/news/press/2003pres/20031209.html>

Or visit:

<http://www.grants.gov>



All Executive Board Meetings have been scheduled for the 1st Wednesday of each month. You are welcome to participate in Executive Board Meetings. They start at approximately 5:30 p.m. in a conference room at the Sunoco Mid-America Marketing and Refining "office building", located at 1819 Woodville Rd. Oregon, OH, 43616. Please note that the schedule below is subject to change. Always check the web page or the most recent newsletter.

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
January 21, 2004	6:00 PM	Intellectual Property with a Patent Attorney	Nitschke Hall NI 1027 – U of Toledo
February 4, 2004	5:30 PM	Executive Board Meeting	Sunoco Mid-America – Conference Room
February 15-21, 2004	Various	Members Participate in Engineer's Week	various
March 3, 2004	5:30 PM	Executive Board Meeting	Sunoco Mid-America – Conference Room
March 10, 2004	6:00 PM	Meeting with the ONU Student Section	Ohio Northern University
April 7, 2004	5:30 PM	Executive Board Meeting	Sunoco Mid-America – Conference Room
April 21, 2004	6:00 PM	Awards Dinner	Holiday Inn French Quarter
April 24-25, 2004	All day	RAC – Regional Administrative Conference	Perrysburg Holiday Inn French Quarter
May 5, 2004	5:30 PM	Executive Board Meeting	Sunoco Mid-America – Conference Room
May 19, 2004	7:00 PM	Tour of the Maumee River Crossing Site	I-280 & Maumee River
June 2, 2004	5:30 PM	Executive Board Meeting	Sunoco Mid-America – Conference Room
June 16, 2004	TBD	Picnic & Tour of Ludwig Mill	Ludwig Mill/Metropark
June, 2004	5:30 PM	2004-2005 Planning Meeting	TBD

The Weaver Scholarship is presented at the annual Awards Program in April. Applications are due by January 31 of the year they are awarded.

The Ernest W. Weaver, Sr. & Anne S. Weaver Memorial Scholarship is a \$500 cash scholarship awarded annually to the son or daughter of a member of the Northwest Ohio Section of ASME, or to a Student Member in good standing of either the University of Toledo Student Section or the Ohio Northern University Student Section. In addition, the recipient of the scholarship must have Junior Class or higher standing in an ABET accredited Mechanical Engineering Program.

This application format for the scholarship now consists of a two page application form. Applicants are asked to provide contact information for three personal references, and are required to write a short essay (approximately 500 words) on their personal goals, and how they will benefit ASME and the engineering profession in general.

The application is now available in *.pdf format and in MS Word '97 format. Any questions regarding the Weaver Scholarship may be directed to any of the members of the Weaver Scholarship Committee. For more information and forms go to our webpage at: <http://sections.asme.org/nwohio/> And click on "Weaver Scholarship."

College of Engineering Career Fair

The College of Engineering will hold their Spring Career Fair on Thursday, February 26, 2004 from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. The career fair will take place on the first floor of Nitschke Hall with check-in beginning at 10:00 a.m. through 2:30 p.m.

RAC is coming!

The Northwest Ohio Section will be hosting this year's RAC, or Regional Administrative Conference in April (see above). Here is a great way to become more involved with your section, as volunteers to work the registration table, etc. are always needed. Let us know at nwo@asme.org.

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