President

Hello All -

Welcome to the last general SWE Meeting for this year! I just have a few updates for you this week.

- Our section has officially launched two recruiting projects this year! We have sent out postcards to all the women who have been admitted into MSU for Engineering in Fall 2009 and have answered several of their questions regarding life at MSU and what it's like being an engineering student. Also, we have started an essay contest with the help of Dr. Udpa and the College of Engineering to promote Engineering for high school juniors and seniors!

- This week is Officer Elections. If you would like to run for a general Executive Board positions, please contact me at reiterev@msu.edu with your nominations! If you aren't sure which position you'd like to run for, check http://www.egr.msu.edu/swe/ for more information!

- Did you do research in the summer of 2008 or during the 2008-2009 school year?? If yes, consider entering National SWE's Technical Poster Competition! More information at http://societyofwomenengineers.swe.org

That's about all I have for now! I've had a great time being the SWE President this year! Thank you to everyone who has helped out our section and come to meetings. Your participation has been appreciated!! I hope you'll continue to enjoy being a member of our section!

Go SWE!!

Eva (reiterev@msu.edu)

Vice President

Hey!

The semester is nearing an end and this is our last meeting with a speaker! Hopefully everyone has had a great year. I would love to hear opinions or suggestions on what you have thought about the speakers/meeting topics from the past year...so let me know what you think! I will make sure to pass it all along to the next VP.

Today we will be hearing from Alex Kaiser, a campus recruiter from Stryker. She will be presenting on why you should consider a company's culture while doing a job search!

Alex is originally from Riverview Michigan. She moved to Kalamazoo in 2004 to go to Western Michigan University. She graduated from WMU with a Bachelor’s Degree in Organizational Communication in April of 2008 and started working for Stryker as their campus recruiter in May of 08’. As the campus recruiter, she participates in career fairs, information sessions, networking events, and interviews at Universities all over the Mid-West. She says she is an open book, so don’t hesitate to ask questions!

Lauren (l.kloock@gmail.com)

Secretary

I hope everyone is hanging in there—the semester is over half way done! If you are interested in becoming more active in SWE, consider running for an Executive Board position for next school year. If you have any questions, don’t hesitate to ask any of the current e-board.

Bethany (wenzellb1@msu.edu)
Treasurers

Hello SWE! The t-shirt fundraiser went very well and we sold most of the t-shirts. Thank you to everyone involved. The sweatpants have been ordered and should be done very soon. We will keep you updated with when and how you can pick them up. Good luck with your midterms!

Linsey Seitz (seitzlin@msu.edu)
Lauren Blair (blairlau@msu.edu)

Counselor

Hey my MSU SWEsters!

For those of you that don't know me I'm the Counselor for the MSU SWE Section. My job is to make sure your section is connected with the local professional section(s), provide advice throughout the year, and to provide a link to industry. This year the SWE Detroit section will again be hosting their Transition Party for all of you who will graduate this spring, as well as those that graduated last December. The event is held to introduce you to the professional side of SWE, while providing lunch and the cost of the upgrade in membership! All graduating members are eligible, you don't have to be staying in the Detroit area. In fact, if you are planning on moving out of the area, these members will help you get connected in your new location and section! Below is the information if you are available and interested. I know its past the deadline, but I'm sure that Stacy would be glad to have you! If you have any questions about this event, professional memberships, or anything at all, feel free to contact me at any time (lauren.thompson@swe.org).

Transition Party

Who: SWE Detroit
Where: Andiamo's in Novi, Michigan
What: Lunch and Networking
When: March 29th, 2009 at 2:00 p.m.
Why: To CELEBRATE the Transition from Collegiate to Professional for SWE Graduating Seniors
EXTRAS: Paid Upgrades will be given away to Graduating SWE Collegiates

RSVP BY: Thursday March 19th, 2009
RSVP To: stacy.thayer@gmail.com

Lauren (lauren.thompson@swe.org)

Corporate Relations

Hey SWEsters!

I hope you all are enjoying the nice weather! I have no new updates for you, but something that we're considering doing for next year is a resume flash drive instead of an actual CD. More information on that will come as it gets closer. If you have any suggestions or questions, please feel free to email me at burnsreb@msu.edu. Good luck with everything you all are working on!

Becky (burnsreb@msu.edu)

Social

Hi Girls! If classes and exams are driving you crazy, then you want to come this guaranteed to be AWESOME social event! This Friday March 27th we are having Be a Kid Night from 5:00 to 8:00 PM at the Campbell Media Lounge in West Circle. The night will include coloring, crafts, card and board games, Disney Movies, and pizza!! So come take a break and get rid of all your stress by having fun with your fellow SWE members! For more information please contact either Catherine Dudgeon (dudgeonc@msu.edu) or Chelsea House (houseche@msu.edu). Need help finding the location that night? Don't worry, call Chelsea (231-510-1808) and she can steer you in the right direction :)

Catherine (dudgeonc@msu.edu)
Chelsea (houseche@msu.edu)

Outreach

Hey SWEsters!

This is the first week of the Woodcreek Elementary Outreach Program, we will be doing a "Pennies in a Boat" activity with them and we would love for you to help out! Please contact one of us if you would like to participate and haven't signed up yet. We don't have any more updates for now, but keep watching because we definitely have more planned for later in the semester!

Stephanie Bonner (bonnerst@msu.edu)
Marissa Wiltz (wiltzmar@msu.edu)
Chelsea Peterson (peter601@msu.edu)

Community Service

Hey SWE,

Thanks to everyone that participated in Ronald McDonald
House last night! Our next and final visit will be April 7. If you want to participate in Relay for Life, you need to sign up by this Friday. Go to [www.spartanrelay.com](http://www.spartanrelay.com) for more info. The event will take place on the MSU track April 17th and 18th. Our team fundraising goal is $1000 and we have already raised $300. Keep up the good work! Let us know if you have any questions!

Christina (barrych2@msu.edu)
Isabel (davidisa@msu.edu)

**Banquet**

Hi SWE-sters!

Thank you all for coming out to the banquet! We hope you had an awesome time! It's time to start thinking about how you would like to be involved with SWE next year. Banquet is an excellent opportunity to be on SWE’s Executive Board. There are typically two to three co-chairs who help to plan the event, which is held during E-Week in February of each year. If you have any questions about the position, feel free to contact any of us! Good luck!

Sara (joness54@msu.edu)
Shawnna (colli368@msu.edu)
Sophie (carrels@msu.edu)

**Member Relations**

Hope Everyone had a fabulous spring break!

Congratulations to the following members who have become silver members(5pt)!!!

Lauren Blair
Stephanie Bonner
Sara Jones
Sara Murawa

Mackenzie Schmidt
Danielle Vasko
Bethany Wenzel

Don't forget to pick up your silver level prize - MSU College of Engineering Lanyard!!!

Jelena (paripov1@msu.edu)

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Schedule of Events

3/26/09: Woodcreek Elementary; 12:30pm-2:30pm
3/27/09: Be a Kid Night; 5pm-8pm; Campbell Media Lounge
4/2/09: Woodcreek Elementary; 12:30pm-2:30pm
4/4/09: Great Lakes State Conference; 10:30am-4pm; 1345 EB
4/7/09: Ronald McDonald House; 5:15pm; Meet in front of Sparty's
4/8/09: General Elections; 6pm; 2250 EB
4/10/09: Transition meeting; 6pm; 2250 EB
4/16/09: Woodcreek Elementary; 12:30pm-2:30pm
4/17/09 - 4/18/09: Relay for Life; MSU Track
4/22/09: SWE Picnic; 6pm
4/23/09: Woodcreek Elementary; 12:30pm-2:30pm