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Have a Nice Summer!

(Last Newsletter of the season, have fun. Next Newsletter will be in August.)

Old Timers' Lunch

For those of you who missed last month's notice or just plain forgot (memory is the second thing to go - so they say!), we are having an Old Timers' Lunch this year. Since nobody wants to admit belonging to that category, we are also inviting all you young timers. This is a special time to honor those who are long time ASME members. Please come to relax, socialize, tell a few jokes or stand up and say a few words. It is a fun and rewarding way of recognizing what you have done for ASME. It's a time to renew old acquaintances and even make some new ones. The stats are as follows:

Date: Thursday, 24 June 1993
Location: Engineers' Club
160 Sansome Street, 17th floor
Downtown San Francisco
Menu: Tri-colored Tortellini in a light garlic cream
Grilled Flank Steak with rosemary-tomato coulis
Double Chocolate Cake
Time: 6:00 PM Cocktails
7:00 PM Dinner
8:00 PM Program
Cost: \$16.50 (No host bar)
RSVP: S.F. ASME
(415) 721-4478
RSVP before Friday, 18 June 1993

SEE YOU THERE!!!

Message from the Chair ...

The philosopher George Santayana said that those who fail to remember the past are condemned to repeat it. Here's your opportunity to learn the lessons of a life in engineering from the San Francisco Section's more senior members. It's the 1993 "Old Timers' Luncheon." This biennial event isn't just for seniors. Young and mid-career engineers can benefit from the collective wisdom embodied in our seniors and are encouraged to attend. The "old timers" will take turns addressing the audience on their life experiences, engineering anecdotes and achievements, war stories, and life in the Bay Area back when people wore hats. I look forward to seeing you there.

Rich Myhre

A Shortage of Mechanical Engineers in Texas and Arizona?

Employers in Texas and Arizona would find it easier to hire mechanical engineers who are not United States citizens with advanced degrees under a proposed new U.S. Dept. of Labor regulation (20 CFR Part 656, *Federal Register*, March 19, 1993). This regulation is based on a Dept. of Labor determination that there is a shortage of mechanical engineers with advanced degrees in Texas and Arizona. Should this be allowed to stand, mechanical engineers and their employment opportunities in the states Arizona and Texas will be directly affected.

ASME President Joseph A. Falcon has written the Dept. of Labor opposing the proposed rule. If you agree that the proposed rule should be withdrawn, we ask that you immediately write to Ms. Carolyn M. Golding, acting assistant secretary, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Ave., NW, Room N-4456, Washington DC 20210. Urge the Dept. of Labor to oppose any rule change that would identify mechanical engineers on the list of shortage occupations. In addition, please telephone, write or visit your US Congressman and Senators to deliver an identical message.

Your basic message should strongly urge the Dept. of Labor to reconsider listing mechanical engineering as an occupation experiencing shortages in Texas and Arizona. You should add that the entire proposed rule should be re-examined in light of the nation's high unemployment rate and the Clinton Administration's desire to put Americans back to work.

San Francisco Section Executive Committee Turnover

Would you like to meet interesting people? Extend your contact network? Come and help us plan and operate the San Francisco Section this coming year ('93-'94). There will be many activities and things to do. Just call Bill Nott at (510) 881-5035. We will be having an Executive Committee Turnover meeting at the Pacific Coast Brewery, 9th and Washington, Oakland (1 block off Broadway near the 12th Street BART station) on June 30th at 6:15 PM. Come and say "thank you" to the outgoing council and meet the incoming council. All are welcome (no obligations!!). Hope to see you there.

Review Courses for the EIT and PE (ME)

There will be two sets of review courses offered in the Bay Area for the EIT and PE (ME). The EIT course is designed for persons desiring a review of engineering fundamentals or preparing for the EIT examination. The PE course is of interest to those preparing for the professional mechanical engineering licensing exam or seeking a review of the disciplines associated with mechanical engineering. The course information is given below.

UC Berkeley. Call (510) 642-4151 for information or to reserve seating.

EIT classes will be held on Mondays from June 14th through October 11. (except July 5th and September 6th) plus 4 Thursdays (to be arranged) at 7 to 9:30 PM in Room 4 of LeConte Hall on the UCB Campus. The cost is \$400. The course number is X401. Arrive at 6:30 PM for the first meeting.

PE classes will be held on Mondays from July 12th through October 11. (except September 6th and one evening class to be arranged) at 7 to 9:30 PM in Room 60 of Evans Hall on the UCB Campus. The cost is \$425. The course number is X456.

EIT review by correspondence is also available. Call the UCB Center for Independent Learning at (510) 642-4124 for information.

Engineers Review Inc.

Will hold classes on Saturdays from July 31st to October 9th (depending on course) at CSU Hayward. The cost of the **EIT** class is \$450. The cost of the **PE** class is \$425. Call (800) 933-7372 for further information and to reserve seating.

Contact the state board at (916) 263-2222 for exam applications. Application deadline for the **PE (ME)** is July 23rd. Application deadline for the **EIT** is September 3rd.

Mechanical Engineer Available

B.S. from Michigan State University Dec. '93. 1 year co-op with GM, Lansing Car Assembly. 5 years U.S. Army, helicopter pilot, 800 hours. Interested in relocating to Bay Area/Northwest U.S. Excellent in design, problem solving. Barbara Parcels (517) 394-0019

JOB BULLETIN 1-800-624-9002

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Looking for a job? Contact the ASME Western Regional Office to obtain a copy of the Job Bulletin.

COMPANIES

Looking for mechanical engineers? Contact ASME Western Regional Office to place a free listing in the Job Bulletin, or to obtain information regarding advertising in *Mechanical Engineering* magazine.

San Francisco Section Executive Council meetings are held at 6:15 PM the first Wednesday of each month, September through May. The location is the offices of Bevilacqua-Knight (BKJ), 501 14th Street, Suite 210 (second floor), Oakland. BKJ is in the Oakland City Center complex next to the 12th Street BART station. Validated parking is available in the City Center garage. All members who are interested in helping organize events for the San Francisco Section are invited to attend.

Advertising Space Available

This newsletter is published monthly, and reaches approximately 1500 professional and 250 student members. \$200 Full page, \$100 1/2 page, \$50 1/4 page, \$20 business card, \$10 25 word classified. Contact Dennis Lieu (510) 642-4014

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