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Letter from your new President, Stephanie Etherton

Hey Ladies!

I'd like to welcome you all to the start of SWE's year, running from spring to winter term. We have a wonderful new group of officers, and are excited and ready to bring in the new year!

For those of you who are not aware, Drexel is the founding collegiate chapter of SWE. I would like to get back to our roots this year and remember why the organization was created. Women play a major role in the engineering field, yet we are still a minority. At Drexel especially, where everyone is so focused on such short quarters and co-op, we need to band together and support and encourage each other to become the best women and engineers that

we can be.

Please continue to come out to our many events. Even if you don't know everyone — it's a great opportunity to meet new people!

- Stephanie Etherton, President Drexel SWE

Major Upcoming Events

Resume Review (5/4) 6:30 Hill

General Body Meeting (5/10) 6:30pm

Mr. Drexel Engineer (5/21) 5pm

Game Night! (5/26) 6pm Hill

SWE Regional Conference



Drexel SWE
3141 Chestnut
St.

As a freshmen, I was just getting my feet wet in learning about the many organizations Drexel had to offer. The Society of Women Engineers specifically appealed to me because it was a great transition from being in a classroom of predominantly male students to a room filled of prospective female engineers. It was not until I attended the Region E SWE conference that I understood the full extent of what it means to be a part of SWE. Attending the regional conference



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gave me a glimpse of the network of motivated women who are overcoming the obstacles that come with pursuing a predominantly male career. For me, SWE stopped existing on only Drexel's campus, and it dawned on me that SWE is a far-reaching community. Not only am I a part of an organiza-

tion that supports women in engineering across the nation, but at the Regional conference I was fortunate enough to meet the president Sidikka Demir who introduced me to two Turkish exchange students. The girls that I met are currently working to expand SWE to a Turkish University. These women are not only promoting women in engineering in the US, but also across the entire globe. By joining SWE I have a collegiate support group here, but I will now have fellow female engineering students half-way across the globe with me.

- Claudia Guitierrez

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Upcoming SWE Event: Mr. Drexel Engineer

Coming on Saturday, May 21 in the evening is our annual Mr. Drexel Engineer contest! This contest is a mock beauty pageant that helps to showcase the creativity of our engineers. The contestants (male engineers) compete in rounds such as “dress like an engineer,” talent, formal

wear, and Question and Answer to win the ultimate honor of the title of Mr. Drexel Engineer. The winner this year gets a netbook as a prize!

This event is always a lot of fun and lots of laughs as our handsome contestants compete for the title.

Make sure to mark your calendar for the Mr. Drexel Engineer contest on May 21st, from 5pm-8pm so you can join in the laughs and cheer on your friends in the contest. More details will be sent as the contest gets closer!

Top 10 Interview Mistakes

1. Dressing Dreadfully—you should wear formal dress no matter what
2. Badmouthing the Boss— Don’t badmouth your former boss
3. Lack of Excitement— If you can’t get excited in the interview, how can they expect you to be excited about the job?
4. Being a Know-It-All— there’s a fine line between showing interest and monopolizing the conversation.
5. Lack of Preparation— Avoid stuttering while groping for an answer.

6. Not asking Pertinent Questions— An interview is a two-way street.

7. Late—You never get a second chance to make a first impression. If you’re running late, call to ask to reschedule.

8. Being Inarticulate— One of the most common questions is “what are your strengths and weaknesses?” Be sure to practice an answer to this, as it can be tough to articulate your answer.

9. Being too general— Give concise, specific answers that apply directly to the job you’re seeking.

10. Asking about Salary— Don’t be too eager to talk salary.

Quizzo, Trees, and Radiation!

So far this term, there’s been a few great events! We’ve had a general body meeting with ice cream and science-related quizzo, a tree-planting event, and a nuclear engineering panel!

The General Body meeting with Ice Cream and Quizzo was on Tuesday, April 12th in Hill Conference room. The many attendees enjoyed a huge amount of ice cream, and Sierra’s very tough science quizzo.

We had a tree-planting event on Saturday, April 16th in the morning. We had about 30 people join us to collaborate with University City Green in planting trees around Powelton Village. In all, we planted 34 trees in our very own neighborhood. We were also lucky enough that the rain forecasted for that day held off until just about the end of the event! We

look forward to some future collaborations with UCGreen to plant more trees, flowers, and beautify University City.

On Wednesday, April 6th in the evening, we held a Nuclear Energy Panel. We presented “The Reality of Nuclear Power: Benefits, Risk, and What you Really Need to Know.” We were able to bring in 3 speakers to help clarify nuclear power, nuclear engineering, and answer questions. They each gave a short presentation and had Q&A afterwards. Our three speakers were Kent Lambert, the Radiation Safety Director here at Drexel, our very own ECE professor Dr. Chris Peters, and Nancy Ranek from the American Nuclear Society. We look forward to hosting more professional events such as this.

Tree Vitalize Day



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