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# Letter from the Editor

Hey all,

After the long hot summer, and the unpredictable weather this fall, it is time for yet another SWE newsletter. The Ice Cream Social at the beginning of the Fall term went well, and the General Body meeting last week had a great turnout. We sent a large group to National Conference which was held in Florida this past fall. For anyone who hasn't gone to one yet, it is a wonderful experience that you should take advantage of.

Upcoming events for the term include numerous volunteer opportunities, ice skating, ELECTIONS, and a visit from a CLC (Collegiate Leadership Coach) to speak with us regarding some

SWE National Conference

Major Upcoming Event 1/24 6:30pm Curtis 162 ELECTIONS!

BE THERE!

leadership development. Free food will be included. The Valentine's Cardmaking event also was very successful this term — many thanks to ASME for cohosting.

For ELECTION information, please see page 2 of this newsletter.

- Cait McRae, Newsletter Editor



Drexel SWE 3141 Chestnut St. The Society of Women

Engineers (SWE) holds an annual weekend conference whose location varies year to year. This year Drexel's SWE chapter took quite a large group of girls to the conference, held in Florida. The career fair was a huge hit, and a couple of our ladies were offered co-op opportunities. For most of the day, girls concentrated on learning about different companies and trying to obtain a job or co-op position. In addition to the job fair,



Photo courtesy of Diana

there were workshops going on all day with a variety of focuses, such as professional development or technical innovation. One evening we had a wonderful dinner at the Olive Garden with our alumni who were in attendance. It was an amazing chance to speak with some women who had been in our place in the past, and still care about what our chapter does.

Next year's conference will be in Chicago, so start thinking about Chicago-style pizza and windbreakers for wearing in the city!

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# SWE Events: Valentine's Card Making and Girl Scouts

This past Wednesday the Society of Women Engineers, in conjunction with ASME, held a Valentine's card making event. The attendees enjoyed some delightful Valentine's day snacks while making cards so that those less fortunate could have some Valentine's Day joy. One of our members, Leila Aboharb, is the contact for a volunteering opportunity with Girl Scouts. This runs every first Saturday of the month from 9am till 1pm. For this event, the Girl Scouts come to campus and learn about types of engineering, getting to do fun

projects each Saturday. We get the chance to introduce them to engineering through these projects, and through conversations with the girls. To become involved with this, contact Leila at: lca37@drexel.edu.

### Future Cities 2011

Saturday January 22nd 8am—1pm Contact: Pelin Kansu pk377@drexel.edu

For this competition, Middle School students have been working all year to build these amazing cities, and plan them out. The different volunteer opportunities are to be a Preliminary Judge, a Special Awards Evaluator, or a General Volunteer. Preliminary Judge: A member of a judging team that listens to, asks questions of, and judges the preliminary teams. First-time Preliminary Judges are required to attend a training session, which will be a teleconference on Wednesday, January 19th at Noon.
Special Awards Evaluator: A judge that speaks with each team's members to determine which team best meets the criteria.
General Volunteer: Volunteer that helps to run the competition by volunteering to help with registration, act as a team escort, take photos, help teams with carrying

things, and generally help out.

# **SWE ELECTIONS!**

Elections will be held in Week 4, on Monday January 24th, at 6:30pm in Curtis 162, the MEM Seminar Room. Food will be served during elections. Our current President, Cassie Zook, will be holding office hours in the SWE office (Main 407) on Wednesday January 19th from 4-5pm if you want to ask her any questions.

Elected positions are: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Marketing Director, Communications Director, Outreach Director, and Membership Director. These positions are on Executive Board, and are yearlong positions.

Positions that you can apply for: These are 6-month positions that are applied for. Forms can be submitted at: https://spreadsheets.google.com/ viewform?

formkey=dDNjU1dmRTRWVEZSZDFBekdR

VFV6OXc6MQ. The chair positions are Outreach (2), Flyer (2), Facebook, Electronic Media, Newsletter, Webmistress.

To vote, you must be a paid member of national SWE who has attended at least one event this year.

To run for an Executive Board position, you must be a paid member of national SWE who has attended at least one event this term, and have at least 6 months prior experience as a SWE officer.

Applications for Chair positions can be either turned in online, slid under the office door, put in the mailbox in SORC (Creese Basement), or e-mail crz23@drexel.edu to turn it in. Best of luck to those running!

## Cardmaking Photos







Photos from Cassie Zook