

# The Reactor Turnaround



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Welcome to another issue of **"The Reactor Turnaround."** In the past, the section has remained "inactive" during the summer months. In reality work is ongoing setting up the program for the following year, a board of directors meeting, etc.

Now is the time to make requests regarding future programming. Our Vice-Chair and Programming Chair, Gimena Gordillo will be working on putting together our programming for next year. She would welcome suggestions and contact information for programming you would like to see the section undertake. You may reach Gimena at the e-mail address to the right.

Linda will be attending

the AIChE LDC this month (June) and I am sure she will come away with new ideas to help our section become the very best it can be.

The "executive committee" will meet sometime after her return and before the first meeting of the new section year to develop the programming for the year and to discuss ways to improve our service to you—our members.

Results of our annual elections and the "biographies" of our officers for next year may be found on the next page.

Please give our new officers all the support you can during the coming year. They will be working hard to make our section the best anywhere.

We have a proud history as a section, having been the third in the national to be founded. We ask that you share in that pride and be as active as you are able.

Also notice the list of upcoming AIChE spon-

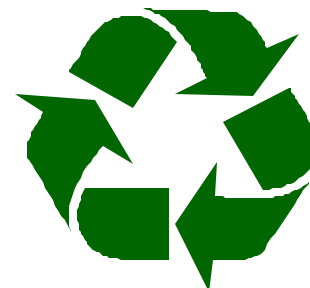
sored events that are coming up over the next several months.

One of the strengths of the Institute and a tremendous member benefit is the information exchange that occurs at the many AIChE sponsored conferences and symposiums.

Economics do not always allow us to attend such meetings, but if possible, consider doing so if you are able—you will have access to the very best in the field and you will learn a great deal that you can share with your co-workers.

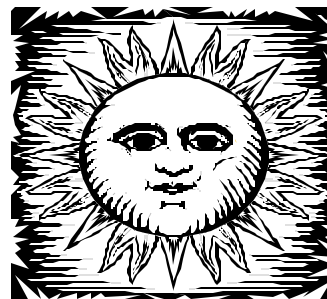
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## Future Meeting Programs

If you have any suggestions for programs that you would like the section to schedule—Please contact Gimena Gordillo at:  
[gsgordillo@winkinc.com](mailto:gsgordillo@winkinc.com).





## “New” Officers Elected at the May Meeting



The officers for the 2010-2011 program year were elected at the May 4th Meeting

The New Orleans Section of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers is nothing if not efficient in its election of officers. The positions of

Chair and Vice-Chair were filled by succession and the positions of Secretary and Treasurer voted on during the elections held at our May 4th meeting.

The officers elected are:

- Linda Bergeron (Chair)
- Gimena Gordillo (Vice-Chair & Program Chair)
- James V. Alford II (Secretary)
- Byron McCaughey (Treasurer)

In addition to the above officers, there are several positions that may be available on the board and they include:

- Membership Chair & Director
- Finance Chair & Director
- Education Outreach Chair
- Web Master
- Plant Tour Chair

During the “break” Linda will be evaluating the current board structure and will be discussing its effectiveness at the section executive committee

meeting to be held when she returns from the AIChE LDC in June.

Please feel free to send any comments about our current structure and programming to Linda for inclusion in the committee’s deliberations.



## “Biographies” of the 2010-2011 Officers

**Chair:** Linda Bergeron with Occidental Chemical Corporation (OxyChem).

Linda is a Senior Member of AIChE, and is a licensed Professional Engineer in the State of Louisiana.

She graduated from Clemson University in 1986 with a B.S. in Chemical Engineering, is a Senior Process Engineer with Occidental Chemical Corporation, and has been with OxyChem for 20 years. She is also a member of the NCEES Chemical PE Exam Committee.

**Vice Chair:** Gimena S. Gordillo with Wink Companies.

Gimena graduated with a BS in Chemical Engineering from the University of Illinois at Chicago in May 2007.

She was hired by Wink Companies in August 2007 as a process engineer.

**Secretary:** James V. Alford II with Monsanto.

James V. Alford II graduated with a BS in Chemical Engineering

from West Virginia University in May 2006.

He began working for Monsanto Company in Luling, LA as a Process Engineer in June 2006, where he currently is working.

**Treasurer:** Byron McCaughey with Rubicon.

Byron F. McCaughey graduated with a BS in Chemical Engineering from Louisiana State University in May 2000 and with a PhD in Chemical Engineering

from Tulane University in January 2005.

After conducting research and teaching in Illinois, he was hired by Rubicon in Geismar LA in August 2007 as a Process Engineer. Byron lives in Metairie.

Congratulations, and thank you, to these and others who volunteered, for giving your time and efforts to the New Orleans Section AIChE.

We look forward to working with our new officers and ask that all members provide them with your full support.

### New Orleans Section Officers 2010-2011

Linda Bergeron , P.E. — Occidental Chem—985-783-7365	Chair
Gimena Gordillo—Wink —504-904-8682	Vice-Chair & Program Chair
James V. Alford II —Monsanto—XXX-XXX-XXXX	Secretary
Byron McCaughey—Rubicon—XXX-XXX-XXXX	Treasurer
Anthony Fregosi—Cytec Industries, Inc.—504-431-6598	Immediate Past Chair
Bill Boutall—Wink Companies —504-904-8665	Membership Chair & Director
Jim Dean, P.E.— Entergy—504-576-7174	Finance Chair & Director
Courtney Mumbower—Dow—985-783-4303	Education and YPAB Chair
Anthony Fregosi—Cytec Industries, Inc.—504-431-6598	Newsletter Editor
Dr. Brian Mitchell—Tulane University—504-862-8257	Web Master

### Company Contacts

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Cytec—Anthony Fregosi	<b>504-431-6598</b>	Petro-Marine Eng.—	<b><u>Contact Needed</u></b>
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Entergy—Jim Dean	<b>504-576-7174</b>	Tulane Univ.—Dr. John Prindle	<b>504-865-5774</b>
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Monsanto—Aileen Girardot	<b>985-785-3827</b>	Wink Companies—Bill Boutall	<b>504-904-8665</b>

**Upcoming Calendar of Events**

[AIChE's 2010 Process Development Symposium: Energy Challenges for Process Development](#)

The Lodge of Four Seasons  
Lake Ozark, MO  
June 27-30, 2010

[The 5th International Conference on Bioengineering and Nanotechnology](#)

Co-sponsored by Society for Biological Engineering (SBE)  
Biopolis, Singapore  
August 1-4, 2010

[55th Annual Safety in Ammonia Plants and Related Facilities Symposium](#)

Hyatt Regency  
San Francisco, CA  
September 12-16, 2010

[2010 AIChE Midwest Regional Conference](#)

Illinois Institute of Technology  
Chicago, IL  
September 30 - October 1, 2010

[2010 AIChE Regional Process Technology Conference](#)

Moody Gardens Hotel  
Galveston, TX  
October 7-8, 2010

[2010 AIChE Annual Meeting](#)

Salt Palace Convention Center  
Salt Lake City, Utah  
November 7-12, 2010



**The 5<sup>th</sup> SBE International Conference  
on Bioengineering and Nanotechnology  
August 1-4, 2010, Biopolis, Singapore**



SAFETY IN AMMONIA PLANTS &  
RELATED FACILITIES SYMPOSIUM

September 12-16, 2010  
San Francisco, CA



**2010 AIChE  
Regional Process  
Technology Conference**

October 7th and 8th, 2010  
Moody Gardens Hotel • Galveston, TX



Annual Meeting, Salt Lake City, UT  
November 7-12, 2010  
Salt Palace Convention Center



## ChemE on Demand

One of the newer benefits of AIChE membership, and one that may not be well known yet, is “ChemE on Demand”. This is an on-line library of various technical, professional development, safety and many

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Even the content offered for a fee can be had by members for “free” — because each year with your paid national membership, you are entitled to 6 free “credits” that may be used to obtain the content of your choice.

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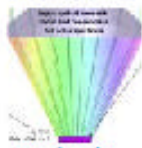
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made at the 6th Global Congress of Process Safety or a topic on Volunteer Leadership, you are bound to find topics of interest that you will want to view. Once you have viewed one of the presentations, it remains in your “My Content” section to view again as many times as you like.


“Channels” are broad categories of content under which specific titles are found. There is also a “What’s New” section that highlights recently added content. For example, the following live webinar will featured—“Process Troubleshooting”, Presented by Professor Donald R. Woods on Wednesday, October 6, 2010, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. ET. This content qualifies for 1 PDH. The price is \$129 for members and student members and \$179 for non-members or you can view it by using 1 “AIChE Credit”.

You are highly encouraged to check out [ChemE on Demand](http://www.aiche.org) on the AIChE website at: [www.aiche.org](http://www.aiche.org).


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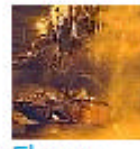
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