

May Section Meeting: It's A Great Time To Be A Chemical Engineer

Join us at the world headquarters of CH2M HILL as former AIChE President Bill Byers discusses technical and economic trends in chemical engineering. There is a resurgence in our profession like none seen since the oil shock of the late 1970's. The diversification of industries that rely upon chemical engineers that has been developing for the last decade or more continues to open the horizons of the profession, while chemical engineers continue to explore the molecular frontier in ways we could only imagine 30 years ago. Add to these trends the very real global and national concerns about the stability of our energy supply, and we have the ideal formula for boom times in chemical engineering.

Mr. Byers will address these trends, including perspective gained at the recent Spring National Meeting held in Houston where he says that the most commonly asked question was, "Do you know any mid-level chemical engineers that are looking for a job?" His presentation will describe perspectives gained from keynote speakers both from the national energy laboratories and from industrial leaders including Dow, DuPont, Chevron, UOP, Weyerhaeuser, and many others. There will be ample time for discussion at the end of his talk.

Bill Byers was President of AIChE in 2004. He has been employed by CH2M HILL for more than 25 years where he has worked in project management, process engineering, operations management and technology development. He currently serves as

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- Topic:** It's a Great Time to Be a Chemical Engineer
- Speaker:** Mr. Bill Byers,
Vice President and Technology
Development Manager, CH2M HILL
- Date:** Tuesday, May 15th
- Time:** 6:00 – 7:00 Social time
7:00 – 7:45 Dinner
7:45 – 8:45 Presentation & Discussion
- Location:** CH2M HILL
9191 S. Jamaica St., Englewood
- Menu:** Lasagna and salad buffet with Italian appetizers; Beer & Wine bar courtesy of CH2M HILL
- Cost:** Members: \$20
(w/RSVP)* Non-Members: \$25
Students & Unemployed: \$10

Please RSVP by **Friday, May 11th** (early RSVPs are greatly appreciated!) indicating your name, phone number, and number of attendees. Please RSVP to Craig Turchi by voicemail at 303-874-8285 or email at rockyaiche@yahoo.com.

*Add \$5 for attending meeting without RSVP

Note: Payment will be requested from no-shows (unless reservation is cancelled by RSVP deadline)

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Vice President and Technology Development Manager in CH2M HILL's Industrial Client Group. In that role, he leads the identification and commercialization of selected intellectual property and also leads the networking of technical knowledge within the Industrial Systems Business Group. His experience spans a wide range of industrial environmental management technologies. As examples, he served as principal author of an industrial water reuse book published by AIChE's Institute for Sustainability and also serves as a resource within CH2M HILL in developing approaches to managing releases of mercury and other persistent toxic compounds. CH2M HILL ranks as one of the largest and most admired companies in engineering and construction.

Bill's AIChE leadership started with the Program Committee for the Southern California Section in the 1970's and progressed through Chair of the Oregon Section, Chair of the Environmental Division and Chair of the National Program Committee, followed by a 3-year term on AIChE's Board of Directors in 1997-1999 and election as President-Elect in 2003 and President in 2004. Bill earned a BS in Chemical Engineering from Oregon State University and an MBA from the University of Oregon. He is recognized by the American Academy of Environmental Engineers as a Board Certified Environmental Engineer (BCEE) and a registered professional engineer in the state of Oregon. He was inducted into the Academy of Distinguished Engineering Alumni by Oregon State University's College of Engineering.

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If you'd like to volunteer to speak at a future meeting or if you have any meeting/activity ideas, please let me know! Participation in the Albuquerque area has increased over the last year (especially for the November 2006 meeting!) and I'd like to keep this trend going! Again, a warm "Thank You" to all of the AIChE-NM members for making our little sub-section a great one! See you soon!

*Kerrie Greenfelder, New Mexico Liaison
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NATIONAL AIChE MAKES SECTION FORUM AVAILABLE

The National AIChE has opened the Local Section Leaders Forum to all local section members. This decision was taken to increase the traffic on the discussion board and increase section interactions. The Local Section Leaders discussion board is an excellent place to have virtual meetings of your executive committees, post meeting notes, and communicate the latest news and events to your local section members. A manual on how to use the AIChE Forum is available in PDF format on the www.aiche-rm.org website. The Forum can be accessed from the <http://Forum.aiche.org> website under the "AIChE Local Sections" category.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!

The Rocky Mountain Sections of the American Chemical Society and American Institute of Chemical Engineers will be jointly sponsoring a two and a half day regional conference in 2007. The event will be held at the Adams Mark in Denver beginning on August 30 and continuing through September 1, 2007. Conference symposia are currently under development and calls for papers will be forthcoming. All papers will be indexed in the Chemical Abstracts, so it provides a tremendous opportunity for students, professionals, and academics to further their careers.

We will be encouraging local section members to help with various planning activities including coordinating exhibitors, arranging an optional local social event, and identifying potential sponsors for the conference. Anyone interested in assisting with the planning is encouraged to contact Kevin Milliman at 720.529.9777 or

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Sept 16-20	2007 Ammonia Symposium Henderson, NV
Sept 26-29	Annual ECC Conf. Colorado Spg, CO
Nov 4-9	2007 Annual Mtng. Salt Lake City, UT

2008

Jan 20-23	SBE Int'l Conf. On Stem Cell Eng. Coronado, CA
Apr 6-10	Spring Nat'l Conf. New Orleans, LA
Nov 16-21	AIChE Annual Mtg. Philadelphia, PA

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MEETING SCHEDULE

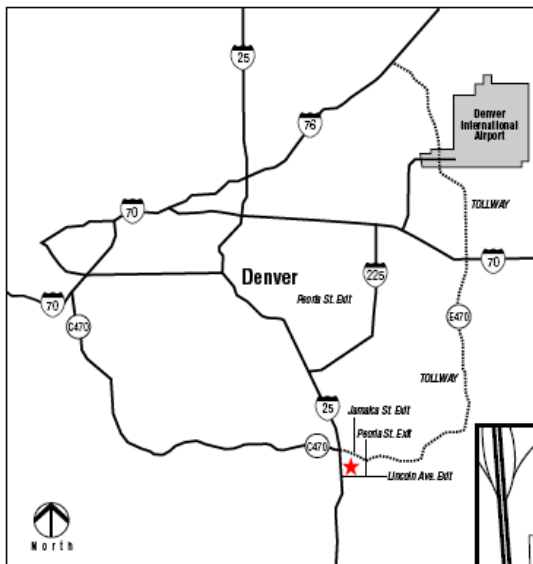
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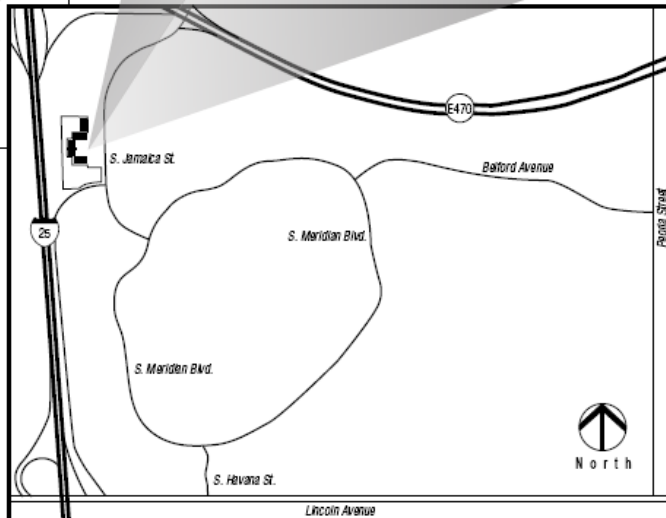


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