MAC eNews

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Join Us In NOLA

Spring meeting is March 30-April 3, 2014. If you attend, please make sure to come to the MAC Business meeting. We will be discussing improving MAC's current programs and new initiatives.

Day: Monday, March 31 Location: TBA Time: 4:00-6:00 pm

Finding MAC Scholars

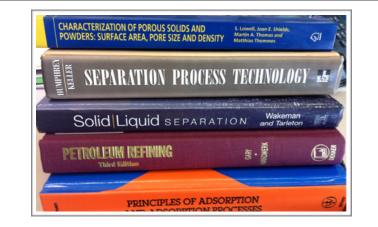
We are trying to find students who received MAC scholarships. If you know the email or contact information for any MAC scholars, please send ask them to contact

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Become a part

Elections for MAC are not until Fall 2014 but it is not too early to think about running for office. Chair-Elect, Treasurer and Secretary positions are available. Contact current officers for information.



Message From the Chair of MAC

I am Mary Kathryn (Kathy) Lee, '82 MIT, '84 NCSU and I am the new Chair of MAC for 2014. I have been employed at ExxonMobil Corporate Strategic Research for 22 years and I am thrilled to be chair of MAC at a time of great change and growth for the organization. This eNews update is intended to share with you MAC's history, accomplishments, upcoming activities and 2014 focus. I sometimes think that MAC is misnamed. MAC is not a "committee" of selected individuals. It is a "collection" of interested individuals, active and passionate. And, as with most volunteer groups, we depend on you to accomplish our mission.

Charting a new course for MFF

The Minority Faculty Forum (MFF) was once a vital MAC activity. It provided peer support, mentorship and advice for up and coming faculty. While the old MFF appears to have faded from site, the need for support and mentorship of rising faculty has not. We are looking to see if there is a new role that MFF can play. Professor Christine Grant from NCSU, is spearheading an effort to define a new role for MFF. Look for a meeting/mixer at the fall meeting as an opportunity to discuss the future of MFF. To share ideas, contact Christine Grant at grant@ncsu.edu.

AIChE - Minority Affairs Committee



MAC Leadership 2014

Kathy Lee has been involved with MAC since 2009. Currently she is Chair and heading the Individual Fundraising Subcommittee. She has also participated in MAC K-12 outreach in Salt Lake City and Philadelphia. Kathy has worked at ExxonMobil Corporate Strategic Research since 1991. Her research is currently in gas separation. Kathy lives in New Jersey with her husband Jeff and two teenagers.



DeMarcus Hunter, our current MAC Secretary, has been a proud member of AIChE for over 12 years. He studied chemical engineering at Northwestern University in Evanston, IL. Although he calls Chicago home, he originally hails from rural East Texas. DeMarcus has a background in process design and is a Senior Process Engineer for food processing and packaging firm TetraPak. He is most impressed by MAC's ability to pursue of long lasting relationships with its members.

Volunteers Needed

A volunteer organization needs volunteers. MAC is looking for you. Please contact the sub-committee chair of your choice.

- * Scholarship Committee Emmanuel Dada
- * Archive Committee Timothy Odi
- * Minority Faculty Forum Committee Christine Grant

Celebrating our past

In 2014 we are celebrating MAC's past and present. One very important new project is to document MAC's formation and growth. Dr Timothy Odi, head of the Communications Subcommittee, is heading this project. Contribute to this project by

* Sending your name if you have served in a MAC leadership role

 \ast Emailing if you participated in an interesting MAC project like a K-12 outreach or a forum

 \ast Let us know if you have served as liaison between MAC and other AIChE % i committees

Fundraising Report

MAC currently has two fundraising committees: Individual and Corporate Fundraising. The purpose of these committees is to raise money for programming and scholarships. Money for MAC programming can be designated by additional giving on the membership application (dues check-off or additional check) or by responding to our appeal letter. Donations can be made and designated MAC on-line. Please contact the committee sub chairs if you would like to assist in fundraising efforts.

MAC Leadership

Chair: Kathy Lee (<u>kathylee30@comcast.net</u>) Co-Chair: Isaac Gamwo (<u>gamwoi@gmail.com</u>) Treasurer: Gbenga Ajiboye (<u>ajiboy@yahoo.com</u>) Secretary: DeMarcus Hunter (<u>demarcushunter@yahoo.com</u>)

Sub-committee Chairs

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