



December Social Meeting : December 5th, 2013

Central Location: The Spaghetti Warehouse (Time: 7:00 to 9:30 PM)

Satellite Location: No Satellite Meeting in December

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The Young Professionals will organize our end of the year social meeting. Please attend to our dinner on December 5th. Event will be at The Spaghetti Warehouse with the Celebrity Mystery Theater performance.

December Meeting

December 5th, 2013 – 7:00 PM

The Celebrity Mystery Theater

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Meeting Registration Information

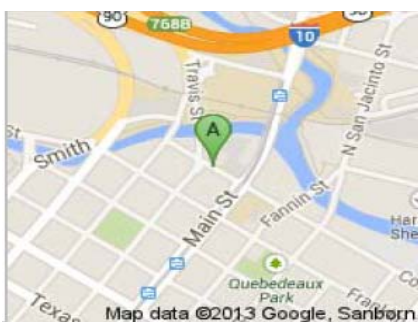
Membership in STS-AICHe is a bargain at \$20/year. If you wish to become a member, you may join at the registration desk at the meeting.

Pre-registration for members and guests : \$15

NOTE: You have until 4 PM CST on December 4th to pre-register online. .

Pre-registration for the social meeting is now open through our website at: <http://sts.aiche.org/event/sts-aiche-december-2013-monthly-dinner-meeting>

Meeting Location– The Spaghetti Warehouse



This December social meeting will be held at [the Spaghetti Warehouse](#) (901 Commerce St, Houston, TX 77002). Double click on the map to the left for directions from your location. There is no satellite meeting this month. More details are included in the next section below.

North Houston Satellite Meeting Information

There will be no satellite meeting in December since the main meeting is a social at the Spaghetti Warehouse and will have no technical program. The next satellite meeting will be on Thursday, January 9th. Please join us then and bring your fellow chemical engineers.

Welcome the new officers to STS-AICHE Executive Board in 2014!

Chair:	Carol Schmidt
Chair Elect:	Kelly Richardson
Past Chair:	Gary Gildert
Secretary:	Katherine Leskin
Position 2-Outreach:	Bill Epling
Position 4-Human Resources :	Dale Embry

December 2013 STS-AIChE Chair's Letter – Gary Gildert

November saw the start of a new event in our program - the Water Forum. Many thanks to Kathey Ferland for organizing the afternoon program and to Alan Rossiter for arranging the sponsors and exhibitors. The feedback and the attendance were so positive that we plan to bring it back again next year. Rafique Janjua from Fluor gave an excellent talk on "SAGD Produced Water Treating". This is an excellent piece of chemical engineering.

Next month is our annual Social Meeting hosted by the YP group. The event is a mystery – literally! We welcome back the Celebrity Mystery Theater to the Spaghetti Warehouse on Thursday, December 5th at 7:00 pm. Members are encouraged to bring a guest to this great social event. Unfortunately, the venue is a limited size so please sign up early to avoid being disappointed. Log in here <http://sts.aiche.org/event/sts-aiche-december-2013-monthly-dinner-meeting> to sign-up today.

It was with great sadness that I heard of the passing of Trevor Kletz on October 31, 2013. He had the greatest influence on my own design philosophy and approach process safety. I had the opportunity to hear him speak when he was in Houston a few years ago and he signed my copy of "What Went Wrong? Case Histories of Process Plant Disasters." He will be missed. The CSB has posted a video tribute at: <http://www.csb.gov/videos/csb-video-excerpts-from-dr-trevor-kletz/>.

Our 2014 Officers Election has been completed, and the results have been accepted by the Executive Committee. Past Chair James Turner did a great job putting together a slate of candidates, so there were only positive outcomes for the Section. Thanks to everyone that volunteered to run for an office. The newly elected officers are: Chair Elect: Kelly Richardson, Secretary: Katherine Leskin, Position 2: Bill Epling, and Position 4, Dale Embry. In December, Carol Schmidt will be taking over as Chair, and I will move to Past Chair. Our current Past Chair, James Turner, will retire from the Executive Board, but hopefully continue as an active member of the section with the unofficial title "Chair Emeritus".

We have a good number of volunteer opportunities available for our members from half day commitments through multi-year opportunities. Please see the section entitled "Call for Volunteers" later in this newsletter.

Please feel free to forward this newsletter and e-mails that you get from me to others that may be interested in our programs and activities. While attendance at our meetings has been good relative to historical standards, I know that there are many more professionals in the region that would benefit greatly from our events, which are open to everyone, not just Chemical Engineers or STS members.

I would also like to encourage everyone to share your ideas and suggestions with me and other members of the Executive Committee. In most cases, we can help you turn a good idea into action. Together, we can continue to make the South Texas Section of AIChE a place of community, fellowship and education for us all.

Sincerely,

Gary Gildert
Johnson Matthey

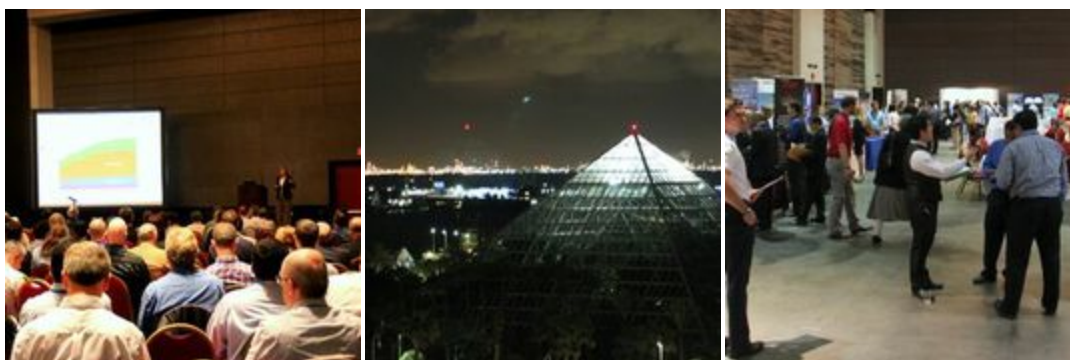
AIChE Southwest Process Technology Conference 2014 – Save the Date



Southwest Process Technology Conference

Next year the Southwest Process Technology Conference will again be at the popular Moody Gardens venue. The dates are October 9 & 10, 2014. This is the SECOND week in October, not the first week, due to scheduling issues.

We had an outstanding conference in 2013 with nearly 500 attendees, a terrific technical program, a vibrant exhibition, and our new student program and career fair. The 2014 conference promises to be even better, so mark it on your calendar now!



Report from the UH students regarding their attendance at the annual AIChE Meeting

The AIChE National Conference in San Francisco gave our members a great opportunity for networking with other AIChE members from other chapters around the nation by attending all the networking socials, such as the welcome mixer for graduating seniors, student welcome ceremony & networking brunch with guest speaker Aamir Farid, Shell Vice President of Manufacturing Americas, and the Dia de los Muertos Bash. The conference provided many technical workshops such as "Multiphase Engineering and Solid Processing", "Path for Chemical Engineers in Nuclear Engineering Science and Technology", and "Introduction to Mixing: Characterization of Impellers", that allowed all the participants to learn more about different facets of chemical engineering and its many opportunities. In addition to technical workshops, there were many workshops that focused on improving your local AIChE chapter, such as "AIChE Chapter Corporate Sponsorship" and "Fostering and Sustaining Your AIChE Student Chapter".

Outside of the workshops and socials, our AIChE chapter also benefited from the Chem-E-Car Competition. Our Chem-E-Car Team has been working since spring regional to design and build a car that would excel at national competition. Our car achieved great success, including 3rd place overall in the competition (a first for UH AIChE) and received special recognition for running the most consistent car at the competition. This is a great stepping stone for our chapter and team, as this will bring more recognition to the University of Houston and chemical engineering department. We hope to continue this success at next year's regional and national conference.

sincerely,

Kimberly Do
UH AIChE President

Young Professionals Sections

November Meeting



STS members and the YPs had a great time at the November meeting. Above picture was taken prior to the main presentation.

Featured YP of the Month – Carol Mak

1) Tell us about yourself

I recently graduated from the Illinois Institute of Technology with a Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering. I was born in and grew up in Chicago, but I love to travel, meet new people and learn about other cultures. I am also pretty adventurous when it comes to food and I love to try new dishes. I am passionate about helping others and making a difference, which is why I volunteer with AIChE and Alpha Sigma Alpha Sorority in my free time.

2) What do you like most about your current job and what are your responsibilities?

I work for Air Liquide, which supplies gases for industry, health, and environment. I am an Air Liquide Leading Excellence (ALLEX) Program Participant, which is Air Liquide's two-year rotational training and development program. Every six months, I move to a different position in the company and more than often this means a new city as well. I wanted to experience a business role for my first rotation and my current assignment is in the Credit and Collections Department for our Specialty Gases business. I interact with about 30-50 customers, account managers, customer service representatives, and sales associates every day and have been able to improve upon my time management, customer service, and problem solving skills.



Young Professionals Sections (Continued)

I am responsible for communicating with the customer about payments and resolving issues with invoices and the account. I enjoy working with others and helping them address their questions and concerns. It is one of the best feelings to have when you know you have satisfied your customer. One of my favorite things about my current position is being able to travel and try so many different tasks. The company culture at Air Liquide is another one of my favorite things about my job because I know that I can always ask a colleague for help if I need anything and we are just one big family that supports one another.

3) How has STS and AIChE benefited you?

AIChE has helped me become more of an extrovert and given me several opportunities to take initiative and lead a team. I served as my student chapter's president as a sophomore and I helped establish our Freshman Mentoring Program and coordinated my officers to program more events per the members' requests and interests. As an undergraduate, I planned and lead my student chapter to host the first Young Professional Development Symposium at our school, which gave students the opportunity to attend workshops presented by Young Professionals in the Chicago Local Section focused on several topics concerning the work environment. This event included an etiquette lunch and presentations on managing your finances, negotiating your first job, and graduate school versus working in industry. The event was a great success and is now an annual event for the student chapter. I hope to be able to plan a similar event for the student members here in Houston while I am here.

Last year, I also had the opportunity to coordinate the High School Outreach portion of the 5th Midwest Regional Conference at IIT. I lead my committee to provide about 60 student volunteers for both the high school outreach program and the technical sessions. The High School Outreach part of the program focused on encouraging the students to pursue careers in science and math. STS-AIChE has benefited me by connecting me with other YPs in the Houston area who are just as passionate as me about learning and giving back to the community. I have been privileged to help out with some of their volunteer events and university visits since I moved here to Houston about four months ago.

4) Any advice for the ChE students who will be graduating soon?

Be flexible and keep an open mind. If you come to a fork in the road, do not feel that it is the end of the world. Try new things because you never know what new passions may arise. Learning does not stop after graduation. In fact, it is just the beginning. Don't be afraid to ask questions! Stay involved with AIChE and find a mentor who can help guide you through your career. Start investing your money right away so that you will have enough to spend when you retire (and possibly retire early!).

5) Was there an STS-YP project that you worked on that you found valuable?

I enjoyed volunteering for the Sally Ride Science Festival on October 12 at Rice University as this was a great opportunity to not only bond with other YP's, but also to give back to the community and inspire young females to pursue careers in math and science. I also found it valuable to help with the university visits because as an undergraduate, I know I always looked forward to hearing from the guest speakers at our student chapter meetings. It is especially encouraging to be able to hear from someone who had just graduated as you find it easier to relate to them so I really liked that I could offer advice and share my experiences to these undergraduates.

6) Was there an AIChE webinar or e-learning course that you have or would find valuable?

Unfortunately, I have not attended any webinars to this date, but would like to begin to participate in these sessions to continue learning. I completed the Safety and Chemical Engineering Education training during my senior year, which I found to be extremely useful because process safety is vital to our industry. These trainings were free too with the AIChE undergraduate membership and I highly encourage students to take advantage of this while they can.

Young Professionals Sections (Continued)

YP University Visits

University of Houston

The YPs would like to thank University of Houston, especially to Kimberly Do, Julia Fernandez del Valle and Stephen Havard for hosting the meeting for us. Carol Mak, Kelly Richardson, Tayo Fowode, Bryan Pourchot and Carlos A Salamanca enjoyed their company and had a great time.



Young Professional 2014 Board

The Young Professionals group is looking for volunteers to be part of the 2014 Board. Please send us an email showing your interest to sts-yp@aiiche.org

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Young Professionals Sections (Continued)

YP Happy Hour

On Friday November 12th, the Young Professionals met for a Happy Hour at Nick's Place. Local Chemical Engineers had the opportunity to meet interesting people.



PE Refresher Course Offered Spring 2014

The STS-AIChE & the University of Houston will sponsor a Chemical Engineering Professional Engineering Review Course, Spring of 2014.

The course will be held at UH from 4:00 to 7:00pm on Friday afternoons beginning January 17 through April 4. The cost for the course (not including books) is \$875 for non-members, \$650 for members of both National AIChE and STS-AIChE.

We have continued to update the curriculum based upon feedback from the students over the past three course offerings.

Registration is open until December 20. Contact Dale Embry at dale.l.embry@member.aiche.org or 832-815-1552 for more information.

Preliminary Schedule - Spring 2014 PE Exam Review Course for Chemical Engineering

Dates 2014	Topic	Instructor
17-Jan	Introduction; Mass/Energy Balances & Thermo I	Dale Embry
24-Jan	Mass/Energy Balances & Thermodynamics II (3)	Gary Gildert/Dale Embry
31-Jan	Thermodynamics III (1); Fluid Mechanics I (2)	Dale Embry; Todd Willman/Carol Schmidt
7-Feb	Fluid Mechanics II (3)	Todd Willman/Carol Schmidt
14-Feb	Heat Transfer I (3)	Dennis Glascock
21-Feb	Heat Transfer II (1); Separations Processes (2)	Dennis Glascock; Jose Bravo
28-Feb	Separations Processes II (3)	Jose Bravo or Carlos Trompiz
7-Mar	Kinetics I (3)	Gary Gildert
14-Mar	Spring Break	
21-Mar	Kinetics I (1); Plant Design & Economics (2)	Gary Gildert; Dale Embry
28-Mar	Plant Design & Operations (3)	Katherine Leskin
4-Apr	Sample Test Exam (3)	

All classes will meet on Fridays from 4:00 - 7:00 P.M.

Important Dates:

PE Exam: Friday, April 11, 2014

Application Deadline: Monday, December 13, 2013

PE Review Course Registration Deadline: Friday, December 20, 2013, 5:00pm

PE Exam Registration Deadline: Thursday, February 20, 2014

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dale.l.embry@member.aiche.org

Texas Board of Professional Engineers (TBPE) www.tbpe.state.tx.us

National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) www.ncees.org

Books used in the course: Study Materials can be found at <http://ppi2pass.com/> & www.ncees.org

✦ Chemical Engineering Reference Manual for the PE Exam ISBN-10:1-59126-007-8

✦ NCEES PE Exam Chemical Sample Questions and Solutions ISBN:978-1-932613-52-0

2014 Chemical Engineering PE Exam Review Course Registration Form

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Card # _____ Expiration Date _____ Security Code _____

AICHE Membership Number (for discounted membership price) _____

I authorize STS-AIChE to charge \$ _____ for payment of the PE Exam Review Course using the above credit card information provided.

For National AIChE & STS members - \$650

For non-members - \$875

Signature _____ Date _____

Please send this registration form to:

e-mail: dale.embry@member.aiche.org

Mail checks to:

STS-AIChE
P.O. Box 421373
Houston, TX 77242

You will receive a confirmation by email within several days of receipt.

Limited space - reserve your space now (cut-off for class registration - December 20th)

Cancellation Policy - by 12/15 - full refund, 12/20 - ½ refund, after 12/20 - no refund

Jayce Mathews Receives 2013 STS Special Service Award



Jayce Mathews (Center) displays his 2013 South Texas Section Special Service Award. To the left of Jayce is 2012 AIChE President David Rosenthal and on the right is 2013 STS Chair Gary Gildert.

Jayce Mathews was presented a 2013 South Texas Section Special Service at the November STS Monthly Dinner Meeting for his work as SPTC Program Chair for the past two years. Jayce has served as the 2011 YP Chair and received the 2012 Young Chemical Engineer of the Year Award. Jayce also serves as the F&PD Webmaster and Communications Director.

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2013 AIChE Southwest Regional Process Technology conference Best Presentation Award



Damo Vedapuri displays the 2013 Southwest Process Technology Conference Best Presentation Award. Left to right in the photo are Jayce Mathews (2013 SPRC Program Chair), David Rosenthal (2012 AIChE President), Damo Vedapuri, & 2013 STS Chair Gary Gildert.

Dr. Damo Vedapuri was honored at the November STS Monthly Dinner Meeting for the Best Presentation of the 2013 AIChE Southwest Process Technology Conference at the Moody Gardens Hotel in Galveston, Texas. Dr. Vedapuri's presentation was titled *"Improving Process Performance of Ethylene Crackers"* which was presented on October 3 in the Process Development & Chemical Manufacturing Session.

Damo Vedapuri is the Head of North American Operations at Tridiagonal Solutions. He has over 15 years of experience in solving a wide range of fluid flow & heat transfer problems in the process industry segment. His specific area of expertise is in multiphase flows. At Tridiagonal he leads a team of Chemical and Mechanical Engineers focused on enhancing industrial flow processes using both CFD and experimental techniques. Prior to co-founding Tridiagonal, Damo has held positions as Program Manager at the Southwest Research Institute and Manager for the Chemical and Consumer Product team at ANSYS FLUENT. He has a Ph.D. degree in Chemical Engineering.

2014 Offshore Technology Conference:

The 2014 OTC will take place May 5 to 8 at Reliant Park, Houston, Texas. At this point, no details have been received from the OTC Office except that volunteer registration will be done using the internet. Details will be provided as soon as they are made available. For any other questions, e-mail thomasmenn@SBCGlobal.net.

2013 50 Year AIChE Membership Certificate Recipients

Due to various reasons these three STS Members who have reached 50 Years of AIChE Membership in 2013 were not able to attend any STS Monthly Meetings this year and elected to have their 50 Year AIChE Membership Certificates mailed to them. These STS Members are:

Thomas J. Clunie -- Tom is a Senior Member of AIChE who received his Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering from Northwestern University in 1963 and a MBA from Rice University in 1967. He worked for Exxon Research in New Jersey and Exxon Corporation in Houston. Tom worked as mainly as a Project Engineer and retired as a Division Manager for Exxon in 1996. He has also worked for Honeywell and as a NASA contractor.

Tom was the Student AIChE Chapter Vice President at Northwestern. In high school and college he was involved in wrestling and continued his love of athletics by serving as a Youth Sports Coach in soccer, softball, and basketball. Tom also loves to fish. He is also the proud father of two children.

Clifton F. Landry -- Cliff received his Bachelor of Science from The University of Texas in 1963 and Masters in Engineering from Texas A&M University in 1972. He is a Senior Member of AIChE. Cliff was employed many years as a process engineer in the Process Engineering Department of Brown and Root and also for JBEK/Aker Kvaerner from which he retired.

Cliff served as a member of ATM and Spring National Meeting Local Arrangements Committees. He also served the South Texas Section as Secretary in 1983, Executive Committee Position 1 in 1984, and Treasurer in 1994. Cliff also served on a number of STS' OTC Conduct Committees. Cliff and his wife are blessed with one child and two grandchildren.

David O. Nelsen -- David received his Bachelors of Science in Chemical Engineering from Iowa State University in 1956. He is a Senior Member of AIChE. After graduation from Iowa State, David joined the US Navy achieving the rank of First Lieutenant. He is retired from ExxonMobil and began work with Enco. He also worked at Exxon's Research Facility in Baytown as well as in Maryland. David served as the Senior Plant Engineer at the Houston Chemical Plant (Enjay Chemical).

David and his wife are the proud parents of two sons and are even prouder of their two grandchildren. He enjoys sailing and reported that he has given up golf.

2013 Awards:

Since 2013 is coming to an end, it's time to begin thinking about the Annual STS Awards which are the Best Applied and Fundamental Papers, Outstanding Young Professional, and Distinguished Service Awards. A Nomination Sheet will be published in the January 2014 issue of *The South Texan*. Until that time, any nominations may be made by visiting the STS web-site, sts.aiche.org, and opening the Recognition TAB and then clicking on "Award Nominations" in the drop down dialogue box. Also, try this link: <http://sts.aiche.org/content/award-nominations> or e-mail thomasmenn@SBCGlobal.net.

K12 Volunteer Opportunities

AIChE and STS are working to start up K12 outreach programs. We are encouraging STS members to attend various local outreach events and report back to STS and AIChE on their experience. We are encouraging STS members to report back to Matt Kolodney (mkolodne@tceq.state.tx.us) with one-page descriptions of their K12 outreach experiences, what worked well and what didn't. These will be reviewed locally and passed on to the AIChE National K12 program. Some local K12 opportunities are listed below.

HUNSTEM web site: <http://hunstem.uhd.edu/> Already has a wide range of educational resources for use by interested teachers and volunteers. AIChE (national) is encouraging cooperation with organizations such as HUNSTEM.

IEEE http://www.ieee-houston.org/Committees/SAC/Brochure_IEEE%20Houston_7_Oct_2007.pdf This ongoing Houston Area program assists local schools with teacher training demonstrations.

SEFH <http://hunstem.uhd.edu/SEFH/> Science and Engineering Fair of Houston

Houston Museum of Natural Science (<http://www.hmns.org>) has ongoing outreach programs and could use more volunteers.

The Houston Children's Museum (<http://www.cmhouston.org>) also has outreach programs.

For more information, contact Matt Kolodney (713-471-8956) or mklodne@tceq.state.tx.us.

Call for Volunteers

The Career and Education Operating Council (CEOC) of AIChE (National) has studies underway in several areas of interest to AIChE members. Additional volunteers are needed for committees performing the areas listed below. Working on one of these committees teaches you about the operation of AIChE, as well as teamwork, management, and leadership. Lessons from the latter three will spill over into your job, personal life, and other nonprofit organizations. The committee topics include:

A. Leadership development — New options for the training and development of leaders in AIChE. Our current methods are useful, but we're looking at others, too.

B. Fundraising — There is a modest but significant budget gap in AIChE National, and we can better serve our members if we can shrink it. Additionally, the programming of many local sections could benefit by fund raising.

C. Local Section Committee (LSC) Support — Unlike the STS, many local sections are facing difficulties, and the LSC is developing projects to assist "local sections in need."

D. Membership — The AIChE needs to work on increasing membership of National and of local sections. We're looking for additional good ideas. This includes how to explain the benefits of membership, how to encourage more student members to become YPs and how to encourage more first-time attendees at local section meetings to return and get involved.

E. Communication — Many AIChE members don't seem to learn about AIChE events and programs that they later wish they'd heard about. How can we improve communications with members? This could include mailings, websites, e-mail, telephone, etc.

These studies will involve identifying and evaluating alternatives, preparing "best practices" for local sections, and executing developmental projects. If you might be interested in one or more of these areas, please contact Matt Kolodney (mkolodney1@comcast.net or 713-471-8956).

More Volunteer Opportunities

In STS-AIChE, we have an opening for a K-12 co-coordinator, Offering:

- ◆ Advice on how to get started productively
- ◆ The opportunity to attend K-12 events of other organizations, to learn how to conduct an outreach event
- ◆ Networking opportunities to get contacts in local school systems
- ◆ Assistance in recruiting STS volunteers
- ◆ The opportunity of intersociety activities to help your programs reach critical mass.
- ◆ Help in conceiving and developing a K-12 outreach program suitable for STS-AIChE to lead.
- ◆ Opportunities to develop and practice your interpersonal skills and to learn and practice leadership

STS Membership Committee Members

Seeking members who are outgoing, observant & helpful, and would be interested in some of the following:

- ◆ A great opportunity to develop your people skills & leadership skills by helping develop those capabilities in the STS and its members
- ◆ Identify the varied opportunities for STS volunteers
- ◆ Greet first-time attendees—help them feel welcome. Introduce them to other STS members
- ◆ Gradually get to know the first-timers and their interests
- ◆ Contact them periodically—encourage them to come back
- ◆ Encourage them to gradually get involved in STS
- ◆ Suggest STS volunteer activities that interest them & help them grow
- ◆ Encourage them to practice their leadership and their project management skills in service to the STS

ECH Volunteer Opportunity: ECH Councilor

Seeking a volunteer who would like to network and learn leadership skills

- ◆ Fill one of STS's two Councilor positions on ECH
- ◆ Work with ECH councilors from other local engineering and science, societies, as well as officers of the other member societies
- ◆ Learn how they run their organizations, and you can bring some of their ideas back to STS and AIChE
- ◆ Participate in intersociety workshops on technical issues that affect the Greater Houston Area
- ◆ Opportunity to get involved in organization of the regional science fair
- ◆ If you would like to encourage volunteer activity in a particular area, we'll help you organize intersociety activities in that area
- ◆ If you're a YP, we can help you organize intersociety YP events that you would like to happen, but currently don't
- ◆ Your learnings from ECH could be very helpful to you as a future manager at work or as a future leader in STS and AIChE

If you are interested, or would like further information, contact: Matt Kolodney, STS Volunteer Recruiter at (713-471-8956) or mklodne@tceq.state.tx.us,

South Texas Section to Initiate Company Liaison Program

The South Texas Section (STS) of AIChE is implementing a Company Liaison Program. James Turner (current STS Past Chair) and Carol Schmidt (current STS Chair Elect) are heading up the initiative.

The intent of the program is to have a liaison contact at companies in the region that employ a large group of Chemical Engineers, so that the liaison can pass on information on upcoming events, and encourage attendance at STS-AIChE Events.

This program will make it easier for Chemical Engineers to learn about meetings and events that may interest them, and by providing a “personal touch” and intra-company networking opportunity, overcome potential fears or objections to participating. The program will also provide a potential opportunity for employees to be recognized as leaders within their company.

Responsibilities and benefits are listed in the table below.

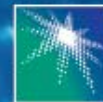
STS-AIChE	Liaison	Company
Responsibilities		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Provide meetings and events ✦ Maintain list of liaisons ✦ Send out special emails to liaisons ✦ Advertise program and recognize liaisons and companies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Forward STS-prepared emails to department/group ✦ Create meeting invitations for coworkers ✦ Try to set up carpools where able ✦ Attend meetings where possible ✦ Interface with Company Management on STS activities and sponsorship opportunities (as applicable) ✦ Provide feedback to STS Officers on company 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Support the liaison ✦ Advertise where applicable
Benefits		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Higher attendance ✦ Better corporate relations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Personalized Nametag for meetings ✦ Demonstrated leadership within company ✦ Increased networking ability within corporation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✦ Recognition at meetings ✦ PDHs / education for employees ✦ Networking/team building opportunities

There is no cost for liaisons or companies to participate. Participation as a liaison is completely voluntary, and companies can transition to a new liaison or end their participation at any time.

The intent is for the Past Chair to maintain the program on an ongoing basis.

For more information, or to sign up as your company's STS-AIChE liaison, contact **James Turner** at (281) 263-5584 or sts-pastchair@aiche.org.

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