

## 2005-2006 Officers

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Other officers on the Executive Committee are the following former Chairs:

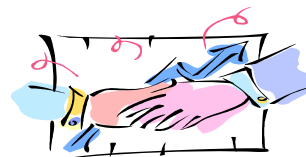
❖ **Rick Vogel, John Moore, Mary Ferris**

## March Meeting – Thank You:

**Networking** was the word of the day at our March meeting. Mr. Gary Tompkins, President of The Kidder Group shared with us the importance of networking to our careers; especially in the current economic environment. He mentioned that as companies outsource or move overseas, the probability of an individual being impacted by the phenomenon of disappearing jobs increases dramatically. In other words, if it has not happened to you yet, it will in your lifetime. Therefore, it is in the best interest of each individual to stay connected to others who share similar careers or industries. The vast majority of jobs are filled as a result of networking activities. He offered one method of staying connected: *simply plan (use your planner) and attend at least 8 career oriented meetings per year*. Four meetings in the Fall, four in the Spring; and simply omit meetings in the Summer and in December. In this way people who know others in the same field would become familiar with you. Then if you ever needed to find a job there would be a network of people who were familiar with who you are; and could be a potential gold mine in assisting with a job search. Great commonsense approaches were shared at that meeting. Sincerest thanks to Mr. Tompkins for the sage advice.

## Nominees Please

We are looking for nominations for officers. If you would like to be an officer in the Western South Carolina AIChE, talk to any of the officers. Elections will be held in April.



## April Meeting Notice

Our April meeting will take place at Engelhard Corporation's Seneca facility. Engelhard is one of the largest surface and material science companies in the world. The Seneca site manufactures precious metal catalysts, specialty zeolites, some water treatment products, and provides a precious metal recovery service. The staff develops technologies that improve customer products and processes.

The evening will provide an overview of Engelhard and its technologies during a BBQ dinner, and then a tour of the manufacturing facility. Hosts for the evening will be the site manager and several of the Process Engineers.

## Engelhard Plant Tour

**(Note that Early Sign-up is required)**

DATE: **Tuesday, April 18, 2006**

TIME: 6:30 p.m. Presentation and BBQ Dinner provided by Engelhard  
7:15 p.m. Tour of Facility

LOCATION: Engelhard Facility in Seneca (adjacent to Clemson)

COST: No cost to attendees.  
Dinner is provided by Engelhard

DIRECTIONS: SEE DETAILED DRIVING DIRECTIONS ON PAGE 2. WE CAN CAR POOL FROM HOLIDAY INN AT 5:30 AND FROM CLEMSON CARILLON GARDENS SIGN ADJACENT TO TILLMAN HALL AT 6:00. INDICATE YOUR INTEREST AT SIGN-UP.

**Please reply with your NAME, COMPANY, and POSITION to Jim Young by Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup> [sec@wscaiche.org](mailto:sec@wscaiche.org) or call (864)281-8627.**

## Directions to Engelhard in Seneca

Take 123 out of Clemson, headed West towards Seneca. About 3 miles out of Clemson, turn left onto Wells Highway. This turn is marked with an I-85 direction sign, and is just after passing Lake Keowee Chrysler and Clemson 4 Wheel Center on the right.

Stay on Wells Highway for about 5 miles – going through two 4-way stops. The first is about 2 miles from the turn. The second is another two miles. After the second stop sign, travel another 1 mile and turn left at Strawberry Farm Road. If you reach a traffic light you have gone too far. On Strawberry Farm Road, pass Oconee County Waste Transfer Center on the left. Engelhard is just ahead on the right.

Turn in the second entrance and follow signs for visitor parking. Security will be inside the doors.

**Greenville Co. & SC Regional Science & Engineering Fair - Junior & Senior Division** was held at the Palmetto Expo Center on March 14, from 5:30 – 8:30 PM. AIChE members assisted with judging the science fair competition. Judges were Mr. David Laursen, Ms. Mary Ferris, and Mr. Eugene Gill. On behalf of WSCAIChE, Mr. Gill presented 4 gifts of \$50 each to 2 junior high and 2 senior high contestant winners.

## 2005 – 2006 Meeting Schedule

| Date  | Location  | Topic                     |
|---|---|---------------------------|
| 18 Apr 06   | Engelhard Plant Tour                            | Precious Metals Catalysts |
| Officer Elections During April<br>New Officers Announced during May Meeting |   |                           |
| May Date to be announced.   | An evening at <b>Greenville Drive Baseball.</b> | Family Social Event       |



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