

2007-2008 Officers

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Other officers on the Executive Committee are the following:

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November Meeting:

A special thank you goes out to our speaker, Joe Schrader. Joe has over 15 years of service with Flowserve and serves as a Senior Project Sales Engineer. He has worked with a variety of industries including Chemical, Oil & Gas, Power, Pharmaceutical, Ethanol, and Pulp and Paper. With this depth of experience, he gave an excellent presentation on the different types of seals as well as seal plans and the different advantages and disadvantages of each. We had approximately 30 in attendance.

We have had great success with significant increase in attendance by members and guests at our 2007/08 meetings. Our chapter goal is to continue recruitment and increase participation by members. If you haven't had a chance to meet our local members, please consider joining us at our next meeting. This year, we offer members a \$5.00 dinner saving at each meeting. It's not too late to become a local member. Please send Teresa Cheung (teresa.cheung@fluor.com) or David Laursen (sec@wscaiche.org) an e-mail for more information.

January Meeting Notice:

Mr. Timothy J. Balts, J.D., will discuss Intellectual Property (IP). In summary, Mr. Balts will define Trade Secrets, Patents, Copyrights, and Trademarks. He will then spend most of his talk on Patents, standards for obtaining a patent, differences between US and International Patents, as well as how best to protect your IP.

Mr. Balts received his J.D. degree, magna cum laude, from Syracuse University in 2002 and his BS in Chemistry from Oregon State University in 1999. He counsels clients on a number of issues including patent infringement/validity, joint development and licensing agreements, trademarks, and copyright matters.

DATE: Tuesday, January 15, 2008

TIME: 6:00 p.m. Social
6:30 p.m. Dinner
7:00 p.m. Presentation

LOCATION: Holiday Inn, Greenville
4295 Augusta Road
Greenville, SC 29605

DIRECTIONS: I-85 @ Exit #46

COST: \$12 Members (less \$5 instant rebate)
\$15 Non-members
Presentation only - Free

Please reply to Secretary David Laursen by Thursday, January 10, 2008
sec@wscaiche.org

Please note that the dinner portion of the meeting is not mandatory. Arrive by 7:00 if you want to attend the presentation without dinner.

Only RSVP if you plan to dine with us.

Remainder of the 2007 - 2008 Meeting/Events Schedule

Date	Location	Topic
15 Jan 08	Holiday Inn	Patents, Copyrights, Intellectual Property
31 Jan 08	Scholarship applications are due by 5 pm	
9 Feb 08	Roper Mtn Science Center	Volunteer for the Second Saturday - Kids Engineering Day
26 Feb 08	Holiday Inn	Clemson Speaker <i>Topics to be announced</i>
11 Mar 08	Greenville	Volunteer for Judging - Greenville Science Fair
18 Mar 08	Holiday Inn	The Art of Modularization
15 Apr 08	Lake Hartwell	Plant Tour
15 Apr 08	Nominations due for 2008 -2009 Officers	
23 May 08	Greenville Drive Baseball	May Social - Announce New Officers

Clemson Scholarship Reminder

This year, WSCAICHe will again support the Chemical Engineering program at Clemson by offering a \$1,000 scholarship. The application form is available on our website - www.wascaiche.org. Applications are to be emailed in MS Word format to the WSCAICHe Secretary at sec@wscaiche.org by 5 pm, January 31st, 2008. Applicants will receive an email confirmation receipt. Please join us for the award presentation during the February 28th meeting.

Volunteer for the Kids Engineering Day - February 9th, 2008

Calling for volunteers to staff the various Kids Engineering Day activities at the Roper Mountain Science Center's Second Saturday, February 9th, 2008. Last year saw nearly 400 kids working through the various hands-on stations experiencing science and engineering. This year will be even bigger and better!!

Volunteer for Judging the Greenville Science Fair

Always good for a wonderful evening of interacting with some of Greenville's brightest youth, volunteer to be a judge for this worthwhile event.

Be Thinking about Volunteering to be a WSCAICHe Officer

If you would like to be an officer in our local section, please contact one of the present officers. Nominations will be accepted through 15 April.

No More US Mailing... Unless You Specifically Request This Service from the WSCAICHe Secretary

The section is no longer in the bulk paper mailing business. This marks the first newsletter to be sent out without an accompanying paper mailing. No one has requested this service and the officers believe the time and effort is better spent on meaningful activities. If you must have a paper mailing, you must notify the Secretary.