



ASSOCIATION OF
ENERGY ENGINEERS

Bay Area Chapter

NEWSLETTER

June 2004

Meeting Information
Tuesday,
June 29, 2004

AEE Bay Area Chapter Presents

“Natural Gas Industry” ~

The state of natural gas and its effect on the energy industry and the nation

6:00 – 7:15 p.m.

Social and Dinner

7:15 – 7:30 p.m.

Chapter Business

7:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Presentation and Questions

Location:

Jillian's @ Metreon

Cost:

\$25 Members

\$30 Non-Members

\$15 Students

Reservations:

E-mail to luther@energy-solution.com or call Luther Kopf at (510) 482-4420 ext 230 or FAX (510) 482-4421 using the handy FAX form. **Please make your reservations by EOB Thursday, June 24.** You can also respond at the chapter website www.aee-sf.org

President's Message

I find it a bit ironic that we had to cancel our meeting last month due to lack of response for the Pacific Energy Center tour. The very same Center that was on the bubble a few months back (due to a brief lapse in the CPUC funding process) for which we rallied the troops and successfully urged the CPUC to continue funding this essential facility. I guess I'll chalk it up to a meeting topic that "preached to the choir". You all probably know everything that could be learned at this ever-evolving research and resource center. If you have other feedback on the low turn-out, let me know and we'll aim to please you and the rest of the members.

As you know, meetings are not the sole raison d'etre for our Chapter. Thanks to Rory Moran and Jim Waltz's efforts, we have submitted two nominations for AEE 2004 National Scholarship Awards. Josh Lowery and Lawrence Nti are SFSU Engineering students. You may recall me mentioning this Engineering Program (in last month's Pres Msg.) and how it was on the verge of budget cut extinction. Well thanks to the larger engineering community (including our members), this program too has been spared the ax. Boy, it's tough these days battling to keep important programs and services funded.

Speaking of awards, AEE National has kicked off requests for submissions to the Annual Chapter Awards Program. The complete list includes: Best Chapter Newsletter, Best Chapter Web Site, Most New Members, Best Chapter Meeting, Overall Chapter Performance, Best Community Service, and Best Student Chapter. I think we'd have an excellent shot at the first three. Submissions are due by July 26 and Awards are presented at the 27th World Energy Engineering Congress in Austin, Texas, on September 21.

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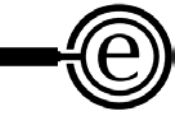
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President's Message Cont.

To continue the AEE National Headquarters' efforts theme, our friends in Atlanta have recently completed a "Market Survey of the Energy Industry 2004". The responses of over 450 AEE members covers Energy Policy, Market Trends, Income & Salary, and Electric & Gas Purchasing & Energy Services. Members can access the survey free of charge at <http://www/aeecenter.org/body.cfm> by selecting "AEE Releases the Market Survey 2004".

So, that about does it for this June message. Please note that this month's meeting is NOT on the 4th Tuesday (as usual) but the 5th Tuesday (June 29). Luther Kopf has lined up a meeting topic and presenter that's sure to please. And I'm pretty sure this Chapter ("choir") could use a little boning up on natural gas issues. For some reason, this topic doesn't get nearly the press the "scary" electricity crisis potential issue does...even though costs have spiraled up recently and there's plenty of juicy controversy involved. We're also trying out a new meeting spot (just around the corner from the PEC). Also, we will be taking a hiatus on meetings for the months of July and August. So you can now "officially" take vacations. We will resume in September after the reinvigorating break. See you on the 29th!

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AEE Bay Area Chapter serves as a unique forum for the discussion of energy issues and concerns. AEE Bay Area Chapter provides common professional meeting ground for facility managers, design and specifying engineers, utility and vendor representatives and energy researchers to participate in vigorous peer-to-peer dialogue, learning and group discussion.

AEE Bay Area Chapter strives to provide quality professional development opportunities that build knowledge and skills through meetings, seminars and publications. Emphasis is placed on:

- Assessing the applicability of emerging technologies, and
- Improving the performance and reliability of current technologies.

Meetings are typically held on the fourth Tuesday of the month. All interested persons are welcome to attend, participate and join the Chapter. If you are interested in joining the AEE Bay Area Chapter, you can contact Stan Boghosian at (510) 845-7468, or you can directly download a mail-in membership application from the AEE website at: <http://www.aee-sf.org/form.rtf> or <http://www.aee-sf.org/form.doc>

Do you know someone who might be interested in joining AEE Bay Area Chapter?

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- Participating in exciting and informative programs
- Receiving a monthly newsletter containing information on meetings, events, and job openings
- Communicating with other energy professionals

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