



ASSOCIATION OF
ENERGY ENGINEERS

Bay Area Chapter

NEWSLETTER

October 1999

Meeting Information

Tuesday,
October 26th

Awards Luncheon

The program will include special recognition for past AEE presidents. Come have lunch with the best and brightest in the Bay Area energy engineering community.

Time: 12:00 - 1:30PM

Location:

PHO84 Restaurant
416 13th Street, Oakland
(510) 832-1499

Cost: \$15.00

(new cheap lunch price)

Reservations:

Call Mima Guilles or Leslie Kramer at (415) 434-0900 or fax (415) 956-6220 using the handy fax form to make reservations by noon Friday, September 24. You can also reserve on the web at the chapter web site at www.aee-sf.org.

See the enclosed flyer for more info...

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Tom Riley

Prelude

Hi. I'm Ed Spivey. I've been searching for Tom Riley for the past two years. I finally tracked him down. It was a tough road, all-consuming. My productivity was dropping, deliverables were late, and I was losing customers - how would Bosek Gibson ever cash in on their California operation? But I was determined to find our past president. Finally, as I walked into the office one September morning after another sleepless night, a breakthrough. Hiding behind an enron.com e-mail address, I got a reply:

From: Tom Riley

Subject: Re: You Weasel, you can run, but you can't hide

Dear Ed,

I give! You found me - congratulations. My conscience got to me - your psychological torture finally broke me. I couldn't take it anymore. Yes, I'll do it - I'll write another newsletter. I thought I could elude you forever, but no. I'll do it, I'll write it. And if I'm in town, I'll even lead the November meeting. Ahhhhhh!

Your international man of mystery - Tom

Hi, friends, I'm baa-aack! Has it really been four years since I was at the helm of the chapter ship??? Well, what a near half-decade its been (we're getting old, aren't we). In the tradition of some past ex-president newsletters, I'll update y'all (okay, I've been to Texas once or twice), on what I've been up to. A few things have happened...

- My new baby, Emma, is now four. Maddie is seven. Yikes. They are my greatest joy.
- I lost my father. My dad died of cancer two years ago. He was a great, great man, and I thank him for the blessings I have now - a super wife and family, good values, a decent education (ok, that one's debatable), and a nice career!
- I have a new home. That's right, we moved all the way across town to a special home in Orinda earlier this year. Lots of new projects to keep me busy. Maddie is in a new school and immediately adjusted - a relief to Becca (my wife) and me.
- Jerry died, and my 54th Grateful Dead show would be my last.
- Cal won a national championship in basketball (yeah!). Of course it was the NIT, meaning we were the 65th best team in the country, but you don't discriminate if you're a Bear.

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President's Message (continued)

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- I work for a new company. I'll concentrate on this one, as its probably most related to what one would expect in an AEE newsletter - something related to the energy field.

As part of the consolidation phenomenon, my previous company, Bentley, was acquired by a super-company, Enron. (I know I'm not alone in the acquisition game - many of you have similar stories and experiences). For me, it's been a great experience. The stakes are certainly higher - where I used to deal in the \$M's, we're now dealing in the \$B's. I look back to my first meeting with Enron in October of 1996, and though I had great designs, little did I know that the meeting would ultimately lead to Bentley's acquisition. It was 9 months from that first meeting.

I have had many roles within the company, each with a unique experience. I helped develop Enron's strategy in California. I was fortunate to be involved in the negotiation of many of Enron Energy Service's first energy services contracts. I was responsible for the development of Enron's energy asset projects for the Western Region. I have been involved in the development of Enron's energy outsourcing product (meaning we do about everything), and the development and application of that product with many national customers.

Today, I am helping set up Enron's retail operations in Europe. I have had the good fortune to have visited many countries and cities in Europe, and have certainly racked up the frequent flyer miles in the meantime! The assignment will last through the year, at which point I'll be onto my next challenge. I must say I'll also be thankful when its over, as the time away from home (over 50%), is more than I care for. Also, if I miss the November meeting, you'll know why.

Its been a great five years, and I continue to be thankful for having chosen (or lucked into) a field where we are doing something good for the environment, while being continually challenged.

Well, I feel I just wrote an annual Christmas card, but hey, what a great forum to communicate with my peers and friends. Keep on making our industry Great, and I certainly hope to see you all at the next meeting!

Best Regards,

Tom Riley



Bay Area Chapter

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 which 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 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, contact Ken Moore at (415) 460-0460.

Meeting Announcement



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Awards Lunch

Tuesday, October 26th



Note the special
lunch meeting time

12:00-1:30 Lunch and Awards Program

Lunch

Each person will order individually from a diverse selection of menu items at Pho 84.

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Directions: From BART 12th Street station, go East along Broadway to 13th Street, then go South 1/2 block - the restaurant is on the East side of the 13th Street. (hill side, as opposed to Bay side).

Cost: \$15 (→ nifty new cheap lunch deal!)

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Thanks Newcomb Anderson!

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might be interested in joining
AEE Bay Area Chapter?

The benefits of joining include:

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

For membership application:

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