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Indiana Professional Chapter

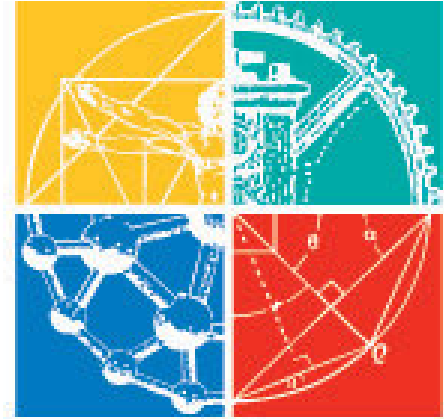
Chapter Bulletin Jan-Feb 2008

President's Corner

As SHPE Indiana enters the new year, we are full of new possibilities and new activities headed our way. Unfortunately, we also must begin the year with a void in our Executive Board. Sophia Reyes, Vice President - Northern Indiana, has relocated to Michigan to take a job at Eaton Corporation, and is thus stepping down from her position in SHPE Indiana. So, SHPE Indiana members in the north, please start thinking about nominations, for yourself or someone else, to lead in this position. We also need volunteers for other activities, as you will see in the list of upcoming events. E-week is coming up, **February 17-23**, and there are several opportunities around the state to join in the activities as a SHPE team or as an individual. So, read on and answer the call! And don't forget, let us know how we can serve you, too, as we always look to improve in professional development opportunities. I am investigating now in each area of Indiana what we can plan so that all of you can gain something forever valuable from your chapter membership.

Marna Renteria

President



**ENGINEERS
WEEK® 2008**
February 17-23

Calendar of Events

JAN

- 1/29 Latinos Count, Taylor Univ., Ft. Wayne
1/31 **EBOD Meeting** - El Torito Grill, Indianapolis, IN 5:30 PM

FEB

- 2/5 HS Students Event with NSHMBA, Frankfort
2/16 E-Week event at the Indianapolis Children's Museum.
8:30 am - 3 PM

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Volunteer Opportunities



If you are interested on any of these opportunities please contact Marna Renteria at president@shpe-indiana.org. Also please also copy Marna if you choose to volunteer for partner events (with SWE, NSHMBA, etc.) so that we can earn participation points that are reported to SHPE National. Thanks!

- ⇒ **Latinos Count** will be held on **Tuesday, January 29** at Taylor University in Fort Wayne, where 200 high school and college students plus many adults from the community are expected to attend. SHPE Indiana will be giving a workshop on technical careers in the morning. There will be a forum on refugees and immigration, and a guest speaker, Anthony Lopez. Tony holds a B.S. in Electrical Engineering and an M.S. in Engineering Management. Tony has held several positions at Johnson and Johnson, including Director of Corporate Engineering, and in January 2006, he was named as leader of HAND INNOVATIONS (HI), and in December 2006, his role expanded to Vice President, Market Development for Trauma & Extremities in DePuy. Tony serves as Chairperson for the Hispanic Organization For Leadership & Achievement (HOLA) at J&J. He also serves on the Editorial Board of the NSHMBA Business Journal of Hispanic Research. Tony is a speaker on leadership and management subjects, and he spoke about breakthrough thinking at the United States Hispanic Leadership Institute conference in Chicago last year. He is the author of "The Legacy Leader: Leadership With A Purpose" and "Breakthrough Thinking: The Legacy Leader's Role In Driving Innovation".
- ⇒ NSHMBA has invited SHPE to join them on **Tuesday, February 5**, in Frankfort, Indiana. Principal Kay Antonelli has set aside time in the afternoon and evening for professionals to chat with the Latino high school students from (1:30-3:30 pm), as many as 250, and their parents (7:30 pm). The student discussion will be in the afternoon followed by a parent session in the evening. NSHMBA National Director Steve Ramos is looking for 2-3 helping hands to chat with students, pass out materials, and other help. Sponsors are welcome as well! Please contact Marna Renteria at president@shpe-indiana.org if you are interested. Address: **One South Maish Road, Frankfort, IN 46041**
- ⇒ On **Saturday, February 16**, SHPE Indiana volunteers will celebrate Children's **Engineering Day** at an event sponsored by the new Indiana Council of Engineering Societies and The Children's Museum of Indianapolis. The objective of the event at the museum is to provide hands-on experience of engineering activities to kids increase public awareness about Engineering and to help young students consider Engineering as a career option. Volunteers are needed to help set up from 8:30 to 10:00, then the experiments will be from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. SHPE Indiana will also have information at an exhibit table. Any time you can donate would be helpful. Please visit <http://www.cis-ieee.org/eweek/volunteer.asp> to volunteer even if only to set up SHPE materials, or <http://www.cis-ieee.org/event.asp?eid=28> for more information. Please feel free to contact Charity Nowling at cnowling@droidboy.com or Julie Hawk at Julie.N.Hawk@rolls-royce.com.
- ⇒ **Bilingual Engineering Program** - SHPE needs female volunteers to talk to middle school girls about how FUN engineering can be. There are two sessions scheduled for the following months: **March 26, 2008** at Craig Middle School from 3:30 to 5:00 PM and **April 8, 2008** at GWCS (George Washington Community School) from 3:15 to 4:45 PM. If you would like to volunteer please contact Lourdes Palacio at lourdes.palacio@rolls-royce.com

Events

⇒ SWE will be hosting a luncheon 11:15 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. on **Thursday, February 21st** at the Sheraton, 31 W. Ohio St. in downtown Indianapolis in support of Engineers Week. The speaker for the luncheon will be Lisa Laughner, Executive Vice President for Conexus Indiana, and will speak about her obstacles and successes as a business woman. Since SWE National has partnered with both NSBE and SHPE, they are inviting the NSBE and SHPE members to come and enjoy at member pricing of \$30 for both SHPE and NSBE members (non-members \$40, students free). Please mention that you are a member of SHPE or NSBE when you RSVP: Deadline, February 15. Contact, Angie Smith, 317-267-8200 or asmith@donohue-associates.com



⇒ Engineers Week Achievement Awards Banquet in Fort Wayne includes scrumptious food, scholarship presentations, recognition awards, and a guest speaker. This event will occur on **Saturday, February 23rd, 2008** at 6:00 p.m., at Indiana Institute of Technology (Indiana Tech)'s Fort Wayne campus in the Andorfer Commons Building. Tickets are \$25.00 per person, and reservations are needed ASAP. Send your check to Engineer Week Committee, Atten: Nancy Burkey, 923 Spring Street, Fort Wayne, IN 46808, payable to Engineer Week Committee, including your menu choice in the memo on the check or Call Nancy (260-422-7081 between 8 a.m. and 4:35 p.m.), indicating one of the following: Grilled Mid-West Chicken, Oven Roasted Pork Loins, or Vegetarian Plate.

⇒ Also on **Saturday, February 23rd**, SWE will be hosting an event called "Wow!, That's Engineering?" at IU-PUI (Indianapolis). Volunteers are needed anytime starting at 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. This event will be targeting IPS schools and is geared for 7th and 8th grade female students. There will be a breakfast, introduction, 4 sessions of experiments, including one that involves making a lip gloss that they can take home with them, a lunch, and a Q&A session for parents. The girls will be rotated from experiment to experiment in small groups. At the end of the day each girl will get a goody bag that includes information about SWE and Engineering, as well as other items to inspire the girls to pursue an education in engineering. SWE will gladly accept volunteers from any organization to participate and would welcome any donations for the goody bags, including information on your organizations and companies. There will be a volunteer meeting on **Tuesday, February 19th**, at IUPUI, in the evening so that volunteers can familiarize themselves with the experiments and the location. If you are interested in participating, or have questions, please feel free to contact Charity Nowling at cnowling@droidboy.com or Julie Hawk at Julie.N.Hawk@rolls-royce.com.

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