

Acceleration

James Worth Bagley College of Engineering Student Newsletter

Welcome to Acceleration!! – Angela Spence, Editor

The Engineering Student Council at MSU revived the student engineering newsletter during the fall and spring of last year. We hope to expand our operations to provide you with a newsletter during each full month that we are in session each semester (that's 6 a year!). This issue will contain vital information for anyone who wants to get involved at MSU... these are the club descriptions and first/next meeting times. If you're new to MSU, it's great to have you on campus and we hope to see you involved with one of our many organizations. If you're returning to campus, you can never be too involved (cause who needs sleep anyway?), so check out some of these orgs!

Society of Plastics Engineers – Ernest Rufus, President

The Society of Plastics Engineers (SPE) promotes scientific and engineering endeavors related to the plastics and polymer industries. The organization is open to engineering and science faculty and students. The MSU chapter hosts a state SPE meeting annually and participates in many community events. The first SPE meeting will be held on Thursday, Sept. 2 at 5:30 PM in Swalm 140.

Engineering Ambassadors – Julie Lemons, Advisor

The Mississippi State University Bagley College of Engineering Ambassadors is a group of engineering students who assist the College in developing and maintaining alumni relationships, as well as aid in the recruitment of potential engineering students.

Applications are available at www.engr.msstate.edu/current_students/student_organizations/engineering_ambassadors or in the Dean of Engineering's Office in 250 McCain Hall. Please return applications by September 3.

Society of Women Engineers – Erin Roberts, President

SWE stimulates women to achieve full potential in careers as engineers, expands the image of the engineering profession, and demonstrates diversity. Activities include Educational Outreach, Professional Development, Volunteering, and Networking. Our first meeting is September 8 at 7:00 pm in the Third Floor Union Lounge.

Entrepreneurship Club – Byron Williams, President

The Engineering Entrepreneurship Club (E-Club) is designed to enhance the engineering experience by supplementing the technical knowledge gained in engineering with business principles, knowledge, and insight to equip students with the skills needed to start or manage a business. We will have a general meeting on Thursday September 2, 2004 @ 12:00pm in McCain 205. Lunch will be provided.

Institute of Biological Engineers – Shawn Sanders

The Institute of Biological Engineering is the society for biological engineering majors, whether they are emphasizing environmental or premedical studies. Our first meeting will be Tuesday September 7 at 4:45 in the Howell ABE building next to the Hump. There we will have free pizza and discuss our plans for the year.

Engineering Student Council – Claire Fellman, President

ESC is an organization sponsored by the College of Engineering to represent and benefit engineering students at State. We design and coordinate the Engineering Homecoming Float, hold E-Week, plan the Engineering Spring Formal and the MSU Car Show. Anyone interested in getting involved is invited to apply for membership, and applications are available in all engineering departmental offices. Applications are due Wednesday, September 8, and can be returned to the departmental offices or given to any current ESC member.

Institute of Industrial Engineers – Sarah Allen

Industrial Engineering focuses on the design and improvement of integrated systems of information, materials, and people. The Industrial Engineer is concerned with the whole system and strives for quality improvement and increased productivity. As a member of the Institute of Industrial Engineers, you would enjoy a trip to the next IIE convention. We would love for you to check out our website at www.ie.msstate.edu.

Theta Tau – Claire Fellman

Theta Tau is the co-ed engineering fraternity at MSU, and is open to all engineering students. It is an organization which strives to enrich its members professionally through speakers, plant tours, and teamwork building, but more importantly provides a close knit group of friends. In addition to classes, we socialize and throw a few parties, participate in community service, and have a meal plan. For anyone looking for a chance to meet other engineers and become part of a family away from home, come check us out at an interest session tomorrow, Thursday September 2, in McCain 185. Feel free to contact Alex, ava5@msstate.edu, if you have any questions.

American Institute for Aeronautics and Astronautics – William Lott, President

The American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) is a student organization that focuses on student involvement with faculty, other students and organizations, and research and design projects. AIAA plans and participates in numerous activities such as hosting the AIAA SkyDawgs RC Airshow. The first AIAA meeting will be Tuesday, September 7, at 7:30pm in Walker 303.

Association for Computing Machinery – Karolina Sarnowska, President

The Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) hopes to advance the skills of information technology students. Some of our annual activities include a programming competition, monthly meetings with speakers, and special workshops. Join us for our first meeting Wednesday, September 8th at 5:30pm in Butler 207.

American Society of Mechanical Engineers – Matt Jones, President

ASME provides an opportunity to interact with fellow mechanical engineering students and faculty, as well as an opportunity to make connections with engineers in the field. These connections are beneficial for a student's career, whether planning to co-op or looking for a fulltime position. ASME activities focus on networking, community service and fellowship. Second meeting is Sept. 9th, at 5:30 in Carpenter 112.
