

**SOCIETY OF WOMEN ENGINEERS**  
**CENTRAL OHIO EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING – FY05 MEETING MINUTES**  
**February 5, 2005, 9:00 – 10:30 AM**

**Rebecca's House**

Attendees: Kristina, Rebecca, Suzanne, Lee Ann, Tricia, Lynne

**Council Updates:**

1. President (Kristina)
  - a. Region G conference update (2/25 – 27)
    - i. Kristina, Lynne, Tricia, Lee Ann, & Sarah will attend.
    - ii. SWE will cover cost of hotel room (Friday night). 2 rooms
    - iii. Meet at Lynne's house 5 p.m. Friday the 25<sup>th</sup>, Kristina to pick up group in mini-van and we carpool to Toledo
  - b. Fundraising Letters – Mailing completed! 300+ letters sent. Becky will do Thank You's. Lee Ann suggested email/phone call follow-up to encourage participation.
  - c. Future City Competition – Solicit volunteers for next year? ([www.futurecity.org](http://www.futurecity.org))
    - i. Add to Girl Scout / Outreach committee list of yearly events.
  - d. Membership Quarterly Meetings – We agreed to wait till Summer to plan these.
    - i. We agreed to do 2 technical membership meeting topics and 2 women issues topics
  - e. Member Drop Feedback: See supplement. We discussed the email from our dropped member, but agreed that women issues topics are still appropriate for SWE membership meetings.
  - f. Suzanne volunteered to organize Longerberger Basket Plant Tour. More details to follow.
  - g. FY06 Elections Discussion
    - i. We will discuss this at our April 12 membership meeting
    - ii. Post on web site.
    - iii. Each exec / committee head – make 3 solid goals / activities for next year.
  - h. Next meeting: Saturday, 3/5/05 @ 8 am (First Watch, **Hilliard**).
2. Vice President (Becky)
  - a. SWE Garage Sale – in May, no firm date yet.
    - i. Members can drop off stuff at next membership meeting and Kristina will store.
    - ii. Lynne will look for Linda's old garage sale newsletter article and email bullets to Becky for use in flyer. Also, will put info in next newsletter.
    - iii. Need to advertise! Make "flyer" to send out to all members by 2/end.
3. Secretary (Lynne)
  - a. Spring newsletter – need article ideas
    - i. Student / Professional Bowling activity (Tricia).
    - ii. Fundraising update (Rachel)
    - iii. Letter from the President (Kristina)
    - iv. Series -- meet our members. Lee Ann will send list of questions to Lynne and start with "meet Lynne" article
    - v. Company sponsors?
4. Treasurer / Website / Membership (Rachel)
  - a. Treasurer / Fund Development
    - i. Responses from Fund Request Letters? None yet
    - ii. Christmas in July party discussion
  - b. Membership Committee
    - i. Mother / Daughter Banquet – has speaker been officially invited?
    - ii. Networking event update – target date, etc?
    - iii. Birthday Cards?
  - c. Toy Challenge update
5. COR (Lee Ann)
  - a. SWE Report due 1/28/05 – turned in! Spotlight on Becky's series of articles for the newsletters.

- b. Logo follow-up...cost for printing items w/ new logo?
      - i. Per Lee Ann: \$40 to screen, T-shirts cost \$5-10, printing is \$4-8.
      - ii. We will consider making 20 T-shirts to start for the Christmas in July event.
      - iii. Lee Ann will send out email re: T shirts
    - c. Request for SWE Magazine Yearbook Information. We will submit 2 pictures.
- 6. Girl Scouts / Outreach (Suzanne)
  - a. E-week activity – Introduce a girl to engineering. Status report.
    - i. Only 2 people can host girls, most companies don't allow middle school age children.
    - ii. Suzanne will contact Univ. of Dayton contact and Glenda LaRue for help.
  - b. Additional activities?
- 7. Student Liason (Tricia)
  - a. Upcoming activities (see below).
  - b. Picnic at Park of Roses.

### **Event Updates:**

#### **Membership Meetings:    **BRING GARAGE SALE ITEMS****

- 1.     Table Topic:     Rachel Lewis (Transportation Engineer) on Aerial Engineering
  - When:                Tuesday, April 12th @ 7 - 8 pm
  - Where:              Cozymel's in Dublin
  - Provided:           Appetizers and Nonalcoholic Drinks

#### **Special Events:**

- 1.     What:                Longerberger Basket Plant Tour
  - Who:                 SWE Members and Friends & Family of SWE Members
  - When:                TBD (Spring 2005)
  - Cost:                 TBD
  - RSVP:                Need volunteer to organize!
  
- 2.     What:                Denison Industries (Marysville) – **Becky to get name for Lynne to contact here.**
  - Who:                 SWE Members and Friends & Family of SWE Members
  - When:                TBD (Spring 2005)
  - Cost:                 TBD
  - RSVP:                Lynne Waldron ([lynne.m.waldron@delphi.com](mailto:lynne.m.waldron@delphi.com)) by TBD.
  
- 3.     What:                2<sup>nd</sup> Annual SWE Mother / Daughter Brunch
  - Who:                 SWE Members, Mothers & Daughters of SWE Members
  - When:                Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2005 @ 11 am – 1 pm
  - Where:                Biddie's Coach House (Dublin)
  - Speaker:             Sara Shunkwiler on Breast Cancer Survival
  - Cost:                 TBD
  - RSVP:                Rachel Lewis ([rachel.30.lewis@earthlink.net](mailto:rachel.30.lewis@earthlink.net)) by TBD.
  
- 4.     What:                SWE Barbeque
  - Who:                 SWE Professional members and families
  - When:                July 16
  - Where:                Rebecca's Home
  - Cost:                 ???
  - RSVP:                Rebecca Blust ([rblust@udayton.edu](mailto:rblust@udayton.edu)) by TBD.

### Student / Professional Joint Activities:

1. What: Bowling  
Where: Columbus Bowling Palace  
When: Thursday, February 10, 2005 @ 9 p.m.  
Cost: \$10.50 for 2 games and shoe rental  
RSVP: Tricia Fought [pfought@columbus.rr.com](mailto:pfought@columbus.rr.com) by February 7, 2005.
2. What: BBQ  
Where: TBD Park of Roses  
When: TBD April 2005  
RSVP: Tricia Fought by TBD

### Girl Scouts / Outreach:

1. What: E-Week (Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day)  
For E-week, our SWE Section will be sponsoring "Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day." We will be coordinating a half-day job shadowing event with local Columbus-area middle school girls (Grades 6 -8) on Thursday, February 24th. If interested in participating, please email Suzanne with your name, employer, and employer location.  
When: 2/24/05  
RSVP: Suzanne Singhas ([suzanne\\_singhas@ham.honda.com](mailto:suzanne_singhas@ham.honda.com)) by 2/7/05.
2. What: Toy Challenge Student Presentations to SWE Members.  
When: TBD  
Contact: Rachel Lewis ([rachel.30.lewis@earthlink.net](mailto:rachel.30.lewis@earthlink.net)).
3. What: Cell Phones For Life  
When: Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> @ 7 pm  
Drop off old / used cell phones as donations at the April Membership Meeting.  
Contact: Lynne Waldron ([lynne.m.waldron@delphi.com](mailto:lynne.m.waldron@delphi.com)) for additional details.

### Fund Raising Effort:

1. What: Pampered Chef Party  
When: April 10, 2 p.m.  
Where: Lynne's House (Dublin)  
Contact: Lynne Waldron ([lynne.m.waldron@delphi.com](mailto:lynne.m.waldron@delphi.com)) by April 1.  
Potential: If sales total over \$600 we get 15% profit, if less than \$600 we get 10% back. No free Gifts. Lynne's daughter Katie will put on the "Kick Off" party at Lynne's house, all Members attend this meeting, get catalog books, view new products (new ones come out In March), and get to sample some food. Katie will explain the program. Everyone Encouraged to get 5-10 orders from friends, family, co-workers, etc.
2. What: SWE 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Garage Sale  
Where: London, Ohio (Rebecca Blust's House)  
When: May 2005  
Contact: Rebecca Blust ([rblust@udayton.edu](mailto:rblust@udayton.edu)) for more details.

Supplement:  
(Email to Kristina from member quitting SWE.)

"Thanks, Kristina.

I have actually reached the decision to withdraw from SWE altogether. It isn't just a Central Ohio thing -- although this recent "broadcast" email on someone's baby was (admittedly) what crystallized my decision.

I join professional organizations for the professional/technical networking and support I get from it (and can give, in return). My experience with SWE is that the balance between technical dialogue and the more "touchy-feely" topics is WAY too skewed toward the later.

I am sure that family-focused programs are of interest to many. But they are not useful/relevant/valuable to me, and so I find I must prioritize my time towards maximizing those things that are.

I will try to participate in your survey, certainly. Thanks for the contact."

Respectfully submitted,  
Lynne M. Waldron  
Secretary, Central Ohio SWE  
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