

# National Engineers Week is February 20 – 26, 2011

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The National Engineers Week Foundation, a formal coalition of more than 75 professional societies, major corporations and government agencies, is dedicated to ensuring a diverse and well-educated future engineering workforce by increasing understanding of and interest in engineering and technology careers among young students and by promoting pre-college literacy in math and science. Engineers Week also raises public understanding and appreciation of engineers' contributions to society. Founded in 1951 by the National Society of Professional Engineers, it is among the oldest of America's professional outreach efforts.

## 2011 MEMPHIS-AREA ACTIVITIES IN FEBRUARY

Visit the Memphis-Area Joint Engineers Council website <http://mjecm.org/>

### Saturday, February 5, 2011 – MATHCOUNTS

Time: 7:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Location: Christian Brothers University

Sponsoring Organization: Tennessee Society of Professional Engineers Memphis Chapter

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More information: <http://www.cbu.edu/engineering/mspe/> or [www.tnspe.org](http://www.tnspe.org)

*Volunteers are needed to help with MATHCOUNTS. Assignments are usually complete by 11:15 AM. Contact Laura if interested.*

MATHCOUNTS is the nationwide math coaching and competition program for 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. It promotes student interest in math by making math achievement as challenging, exciting, and prestigious as a school sport. Students compete individually and as teams in written and fast-paced oral competitions.

### Saturday, February 12, 2011 – Engineers Week Student Contest

Time: 9:00 AM – Noon

Location: Southwest Tennessee Community College, Macon Cove Campus, Sycamore View & I-40

Sponsoring Organization: Memphis-Area Joint Engineers Council

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More information and for registration form: <http://mjecm.org/>

*Volunteers are needed to judge the Student Contest. Contact Bethany if interested.*

The Engineers Week Student Contest is an opportunity for middle and high school students to express their creativity and demonstrate their ingenuity by working on concept projects designed to improve our quality of life. Judging criteria include benefit to society, creativity, feasibility, and presentation. Monetary awards are given to the winning schools.

### Friday, February 18, 2011 – S-PAC (Student-Professional Awareness Conference) (1 PDH at 4:30 PM)

Time: 4:30 PM – 9:00 PM; Appetizers, Dinner, and Cash Bar

Location: Center for Southern Folklore

Sponsoring Organizations: IEEE, ASME, BMES, AIChE, ASCE

Participating Universities: Christian Brothers University, University of Memphis, Arkansas State University, UT Martin, Union University, Ole Miss

Speakers will deliver presentations on Networking

Cost: Before 2/11/11 Professionals - \$25, Students - \$10; After 2/11/11 Professionals - \$30, Students - \$15

More information and to register online: <http://spac.ieeeecbu.org/>

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This is the fourth year the Memphis Section of IEEE has organized an engineering dinner conference, which brings together professionals, students, and corporate sponsors from all engineering disciplines. Universities attending include: Arkansas State University, Christian Brothers University, The University of Memphis, The University of Tennessee at Martin, The University of Mississippi, and Union University. The goal of the conference is to unite students and professionals to learn, network, and grow by interacting with each other through professional development presentations and informal meet and greet sessions. Additionally, hiring managers and corporate recruiters will have table top displays showcasing their companies and available engineering positions.

## 2011 MEMPHIS-AREA ACTIVITIES (Continued)

### **Tuesday, February 22, 2011 – Order of the Engineer Ceremony and Ethics Lecture (1 PDH)**

Time: Check-in and ring selection for ceremony participants 11:00 AM, Lunch and Ceremony 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Location: University of Memphis, Fogelman Executive Center, 3rd Floor Dining Room (The FEC is on the corner of Central Ave and Innovation Dr, across the street from the U of M Holiday Inn. Parking is available in the Innovation Drive Parking Garage adjacent to FEC; the cost is included in the luncheon price.)

Sponsoring Organizations: American Society of Civil Engineers, West Tennessee Branch; Society of American Military Engineers, Memphis Post  
Speaker: Dr. Jamie Frakes, Tennessee Small Business Development Center, "Ethics and Social Responsibility: Leaving a Legacy that Meets the Needs of Our Profession and Community"

Cost: Luncheon \$25 per person (free for ASCE Student Chapter Members with valid Member Number). There is an additional \$15 charge for those going through the Order of the Engineer ceremony to cover the cost of the ring and certificate. Ceremony participants must purchase lunch. Replacement rings can be purchased at the luncheon for \$10 each.

Please submit payment in advance to Dr. Roger W. Meier, 2595 Abercorn Cove, Memphis, TN 38119. An application form for both the luncheon and the ring ceremony can be downloaded at <http://www.ce.memphis.edu/meier/ote.htm>. You can also pay by credit card by going to <http://www.ce.memphis.edu/meier/ote.htm>. Payment deadline is Thursday, February 17, 2011.

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The Order of the Engineer was initiated in the United States in 1970 to foster a spirit of pride and responsibility in the engineering profession, to bridge the gap between training and experience, and to present to the public a visible symbol identifying the Engineer. Participants in the Order of the Engineer Ceremony take the "Obligation of the Engineer" oath, which states an Engineer's responsibilities to the public and to the profession. Participants receive an Obligation Certificate and a stainless steel ring that is worn as a reminder of an Engineer's commitment to high ethics and professionalism. Any Engineer is eligible for induction if he or she has graduated from an ABET accredited engineering program or holds a license as a P. E. Students enrolled in ABET-accredited engineering degree programs are eligible to participate if they are within two academic terms of graduation. There are no membership dues. Additional information may be obtained at the Order of the Engineer website at <http://www.order-of-the-engineer.org/index.html>.

### **Wednesday, February 23, 2011 – Engineers Week Grand Luncheon**

Time: 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Location: Holiday Inn, University of Memphis, 3700 Central Avenue, Tennessee Ballroom

Sponsoring Organization: Engineers' Club of Memphis, Memphis-Area Joint Engineers Council

Speaker: Jose J. Matienzo, NASA Huntsville, Manager, Launch Services Support Exploration & Development Office

Cost: \$25 per person, tables for 8 or 10 are available at \$25 per person, Purchase tickets by 2/17/11.

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Proclamations from the City and County Mayors will be read, Featured Engineers from local engineering organizations will be recognized, and the Memphis-Area Joint Engineers Council Award of Excellence will be presented.

### **Thursday, February 24, 2011 – Engineers Week Banquet**

Time: 6:30 PM Social, 7:30 PM Dinner and Program Location: Christian Brothers University Thomas Center

Sponsoring Organization: Tennessee Society of Professional Engineers Memphis Chapter

Speaker: Honorable Mark Luttrell, Mayor, Shelby County, Tennessee

Cost: \$30 per person, tables for 8, 10, or 12 are available at \$30 per person; Purchase tickets by 2/23/11

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The Banquet is the closing ceremony for Engineers Week. Winners from MATHCOUNTS and the Student Contest will be recognized, along with Featured Engineering Students from Christian Brothers University, Southwest Tennessee Community College, and The University of Memphis. The Memphis Chapter of the Tennessee Society of Professional Engineers will make its award presentations. Also, the City of Memphis will award its City Engineer's Award for Excellence to a select group of projects that contribute to the City's vision of being recognized as the "City of choice in which to live, learn, work, and play."