

Northwest Florida Section Report – 03/23/2007

Chapters

- Computer and Communications Joint Society
- UWF Pensacola Student Chapter
- UWF Fort Walton Beach Campus

Affinity Groups

- GOLD – Started 01/06
- WIE – Started 01/06

Section Officers

- Chairman – Mr. David Eaton
- Past Chairman – Mr. Jeremy Wyatt
- Vice Chairman – None
- Secretary – Mr. Doug Cross
- Treasurer – Mr. Jeffery Miller
- Computer and Communications Society Chairman – Ms. Herlene Frazier
- Educational Outreach Chairman – Dr. Maqsood Mohammed
- Women In Engineering – Ms. Betty Carden
- GOLD – Mr. Timothy Woodyard

2007 Goals

1. Arrange physical locations where we can host monthly section meetings in Fort Walton Beach and Pensacola. On even months, the speaker will attend meetings in Pensacola. On odd months, the speaker will attend meetings in Fort Walton Beach. All of these meetings will be webcast live and accessible to anyone through our website.
2. Update and revamp our website for ease of upkeep and to enhance our professional image

Meetings since last SoutheastCon

- 04/11/2006 – Section ExCom Meeting
Attendance: 8
- 04/17/2006 – Section Field Trip
Solutia Chemical Processing Plant tour
Attendance: 13
- 04/28/2006 – Section Spring Social
Social held in conjunction with the UWF Pensacola Student Branch
Attendance: 50
- 05/06/2006 – Women In Engineering

Kickoff Meeting

Attendance: 0

- 05/18/2006 – Section Meeting
Topic: Building a Winning Career in a Technical Profession
Presenter: Dr. David Goetsch
Attendance: 11
- 06/13/2006 – Section ExCom Meeting
Attendance: 6
- 06/15/2006 – Section Meeting
Topic: Research at the Intersection of Fluid Mechanics and Control Systems
Presenter: Dr. Howard Hamilton
Attendance: 14
- 06/29/2006 – Workshop
Freescale ColdFire Ethernet Seminar
Attendance: 22
- 07/20/2005 – Section Meeting
Topic: Introduction to GPS
Presenter: Dr. Lou Cerrato
Attendance: 14
- 08/17/2006 – Section Meeting
Topic: Round Table Discussion
Presenter: Mr. David Eaton
Attendance: 12
- 09/21/2006 – Section Meeting
Topic: Issues of Relevance to Today's Engineer
(Speaker cancellation at the last minute)
Presenter: Open Discussion
Attendance: 10
- 10/10/2006 – ExCom Meeting
Attendance: 7
- 10/19/2006 – Section Meeting
Topic: Diversity as a Necessity in Effective Engineering
Presenter: Ms. Bonnie Kempke
Attendance: 16
- 11/16/2006 – Section Meeting

Topic: Technologies Enabling Agility & Autonomy for Micro Air Vehicles

Presenter: Ms. Bonnie Kempke

Attendance: 16

- 12/02/2006 – Section Fall Social
Semiannual social held in conjunction with the student chapters
Attendance: 43
- 01/16/2007 – Section ExCom Meeting
Attendance: 10
- 01/18/2007 – Section Meeting
Topic: Conflict Resolution in the Workplace
Presenter: Ms. Susan Page
Attendance: 11
- 02/13/2007 – Section ExCom Meeting
Attendance: 7
- 02/15/2007 – Section Meeting
Topic: How to Create and Deliver a Successful Presentation
Presenter: Mr. Marty Mears
Attendance: 15
- 03/16/2007 – Section Meeting
Topic: Capability Maturity Model Integration (CMMI) Overview
Presenter: Mr. Keith Yockey
Attendance: 9

To establish consistency in our meetings, all section meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of the month. All ExCom meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of even months. All members are encouraged to participate in the ExCom meeting either in person or via teleconferencing using <http://www.freeconference.com/>

Major Accomplishments – Year in Review

- Organized WIE Kickoff meeting at the Emerald Coast Conference Center
- Turned over finances to incoming Treasurer—timely submitted L50 for 10% rebate
- Participated in many pre-college engineering/science focused events namely, the Regional Science Bowl and two local science fairs

- Evaluating an inexpensive distance learning/video conferencing setup for hosting meetings in Fort Walton Beach and Pensacola.
- Hosted 8 live webcasts of our section meetings
- Invited to participate in two community programs aimed at encouraging careers in math, science or engineering—The Air Force Armament Museum, Teach the Teacher Program and the Okaloosa Walton College, Project C2.

Respectfully Submitted,

David Eaton
NWF Section Chairman