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Message from the President

The 2011 GDC President John Preston would like to acknowledge the hard work put in by the 2011 BOD and introduce the 2012 board members. We all hope to improve our performance in the upcoming year and continue to offer IEs quality events and membership opportunities.

For John's message, see page 2.....

IIE Holiday Party

GDC hosted a holiday party at the Centaur Bar in Detroit last week. It was extremely successful, with a handful of members attending to network, enjoy appetizers and discuss their accomplishments for the year. The 2012 BOD was announced with a few new faces.

See page 3 for a picture and review.....

The IIE Greater Detroit Chapter Board of Directors wishes everyone Happy Holidays and a fantastic New Year!



2012 Programs

Upcoming Programs

- **Wed, Dec 14th** Holiday Party
- **Tues, Jan 10th** APICS/IIE Joint Event
- **Sat, Jan 21st** Student Technical Paper Competition
- **Thu, Feb 23rd** ESD Gold Award Banquet

Check out details at the Greater Detroit Chapter Website:

www.iiedetroit.org

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President's Message

Happy Holidays IIE Greater Detroit Chapter!

Thank you for supporting your local IIE chapter during 2011. We had a great year filled with enjoyable and insightful events. It would not have been possible without the generous support from great organizations such as Crittenton Hospital, Henry Ford Health Systems, Uni-Solar, and Oliver Wyman. Our board of directors has worked hard to plan and execute events. Please join me in thanking them for dedicating their time to the IIE GDC throughout 2011. Next year, our board of directors will have four new leaders to help plan activities. I want to personally thank Lisa, Jay, Debbie, and Jean for extending a helping hand. We will miss our departing board members Dave Stajninger and Danielle Hunter in 2012. Their commitment has helped keep the chapter strong.

Please join me in congratulating and welcoming our 2012 board of directors:

President – Lanie Dixon

Administration VP – Jay Labban

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Thank you again for your time and support!

John Preston

Membership Info

Total Members: 152

New Members: 2

Members Reinstated: 3

**Over 10 memberships expire in the next 2 months!
Please check your membership status and renew if needed.**

**We have a lot of great programs coming in 2012 and you need to be a member to take advantage of discounted pricing!
Visit <http://www.iienet2.org> and go to the “Membership” section to renew.**

The IIE Detroit Chapter #047 has 152 members in the greater Detroit metropolitan area. See our website at <http://www.iiedetroit.org/>.

You may contact the following local Greater Detroit IIE Chapter Officer for additional info:
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2011 Program Updates

Harbour Report Overview

By: John Preston

The IIE Greater Detroit Chapter welcomed Oliver Wyman's Jennifer Wong and Chris Powers to Lawrence Technological University to present a general overview of their findings from within the 2011 Harbour Report. Jennifer and Chris shared their unique insight on the state of the automotive industry's manufacturing strengths and weaknesses. Their insight, gleaned from factory tours, conversations with automotive leadership, and thousands of analyses, generated interesting dialog with the IIE attendees.

IIE members discussed the critical metrics that are held within the Harbour Report and their own perspectives on how to interpret the value of those metrics. The perspectives and trends of that IIE membership have witnessed in their own careers was reinforced with the Harbour Report findings. The IIE Greater Detroit Chapter is very grateful to Jennifer and Chris for sharing their time with us and we are thankful to Lawrence Tech for being such great hosts.

IIE Holiday Party

By: Vanda Ametli

The IIE-Greater Detroit Chapter celebrated the Holidays with its annual Holiday Networking Social. To switch up the bowling environment from the past years, the board hosted our networking event at Centaur Bar in Detroit, Michigan. Members arriving at a Poisson distribution rate (mean arrival rate of 1 person per 1 minute) immediately started conversing with familiar and new faces. Centaur's 1920's Art Deco Style transmitted a relaxing atmosphere especially after a long day. There were so many conversations occurring that strangers could have never guessed that this was a group of engineers! As everyone finished up enjoying the delicious Hors d'oeuvres, John Preston our 2011 president was preparing to announce the results of the Board Elections. The suspense was over. However, by no means was the event over. Industrial engineers are quite the talkers (maybe the alcohol was kicking in at this point)! Also, who leaves without getting some desserts? Thankfully, the arrival rate did not exceed the exit rate.

I hope everyone enjoyed our Holiday Networking Social and took advantage of the opportunity to connect with old and new Industrial Engineering friends. On behalf of the IIE Board, I wish you all a prosperous 2012.

IIE GDC 2011 President John Preston presents Jennifer Wong from Oliver Wyman with a gift for a great presentation on the findings of the Harbour Report



IIE members Kerry Coran, Vanda Ametli and Krystle Modina enjoy the annual GDC Holiday Party at the Centaur Bar in Detroit





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***The APICS Greater Detroit Chapter and
The Council of Supply Chain Management Professionals
Joint Professional Development Meeting provides you***

An Opportunity to contribute to US Manufacturing Policies & Strategy

Come, discuss, and present your thoughts on making America the manufacturing leader again. Share ways to minimize your obstacles to being successful. We will not only facilitate this interaction but also follow up to provide you with actions that Washington has planned to support you

*facilitated by Joseph B. Anderson, Jr.,
Chairman of the Manufacturing Council with the U.S. Department of Commerce*

Tuesday, January 10th, 2012

Southfield Marriott Hotel
27033 Northwestern Highway, Southfield, MI 48033

Overview

The Manufacturing Council serves as the principal private sector advisory committee to the Secretary of Commerce on the United States manufacturing sector. The Council is charged with ensuring regular communication between the federal government and the manufacturing sector, advising the Secretary of Commerce on government policies and programs that affect United States manufacturing and provide a forum for discussing and proposing solutions to industry-related problems and to ensure that the United States remains the preeminent destination for investment in manufacturing throughout the world

Time

ProfessionalNetworking and Pre-Dinner Event: 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Dinner: 6:30 – 7:15 p.m.

Speaker: 7:15 – 8:30 p.m.

Registration Fee

Dinner & Speaker: APICS Members, Alliance Affiliates, and their Guests: \$30

Non-Members: \$35

Students with valid ID: \$20

Speaker only: \$15 at the door; \$10 with advanced registration

Full Time Students with ID: \$5 at the door or with advanced registration

Payable by credit card at time of registration at (248) 663-2416 or online [Click here](#)

Please RSVP by 5 p.m. Friday, January 6th