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IIE SEPTEMBER MEETING

What: Round Table Discussion on Lean

When: September 16, 2003

Where: H. B. Maynard and Company, Inc. Office
Eight Parkway Center, (Greentree) Pittsburgh

Time: 6:30 – Dinner & Socializing
7:30 – Round Table Discussion

Cost: \$10.00

Businesses Attending: Eaton-Cutler-Hammer, Medrad, Executive Tool-Kit,
H. B. Maynard and Co., Inc. & University of Pittsburgh

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

FALL IS THE BEST-- ESPECIALLY OUR PROGRAMS!

I would argue that Fall is the best time of the year in SW Pennsylvania. Cool, clear weather, colorful leaves, football, ... and (best of all) THE FALL PITTSBURGH IIE PROGRAMS. As usual, we'll have at least three great monthly programs this fall, including a great September program and our Student Night in October. Hope to see you at all of them (starting this month!)

CHOOSING NEW LEADERSHIP

Another great thing about Fall is the selection of new officers/leadership team for IIE Pittsburgh. We have a great team this year (the president is a little "weak", but otherwise pretty good)... and I'm sure we'll select an even better team for 2004. If you're interested in serving on a committee (programs, membership, newsletter, etc), or even becoming an officer or chairperson-- contact us. We always need more good people involved. Are you waiting for someone to ask you? WELL, I'M ASKING!!!

I particularly urge our newer and younger members to get active. You can email me at kikta.js@mellon.com.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL-- PREDICTIONS

I don't know about you, but college football was pretty important when I was an undergrad (no, I didn't attend U.Pitt-- perhaps that explains it). Our chapter has a lot of U.Pitt grads, but we also have many WVU and Penn State grad's (among others).

"Our" teams at U. Pittsburgh and WVU seem to have great prospects this year. There's another team in central PA (coached by an older, italian fellow) that I follow which could surprise.

I know that many of you are asking: "I wonder what our IIE Pittsburgh president is predicting for our local college football teams?" Well, I'm going to start a tradition by OBJECTIVELY predicting regular season records:

Pitt: 10-2 (lose to Ball State and Temple)
WVU: 10-2 (lose to Pitt and Temple)
Penn State: 12-0 (including a big win at Temple Aug 30)

Please, no disparaging emails!

See you at the next meeting!

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SEPTEMBER 2003 PROGRAM

Round Table Discussion on Lean

We are hosting a Round Table discussion on Lean and how it applies in a variety of settings. While lean started with manufacturing, it is applicable in retail, distribution, and service industries as well. Experts and practitioners from ... will be participating, and the discussion and learning is sure to be informative and fun. Come share your thoughts and learn from others.

Dinner will be included. Please RSVP to Jen or Suzanne so we can have an accurate count for food and room setup.

Directions to Maynard:

From the South: 79N to 279N to Exit 4A, Greentree Road. Turn left onto Greentree Road. At third light turn right onto Parkway Center Drive. Take second left into the business complex. Maynard is located next to Parkway Center Mall.

From the North: 79S to Exit 59A (Pittsburgh). Do NOT take exit #72 for I-279). Stay on 79S until exit #59A (I-279). Take 279N to Exit 4A, Greentree Road. Turn left onto Greentree Road. At third light turn right onto Parkway Center Drive. Take second left into the business complex. Maynard is located next to Parkway Center Mall.

From Airport: Follow signs towards Pittsburgh (60S becomes 22-30 then 279N) Take Exit 4A, Greentree Road. Turn left onto Greentree Road. At third light turn right onto Parkway Center Drive. Take second left into business complex. Maynard is next to Parkway Center Mall.

From the East: 76W (Turnpike) to Exit 57, Pittsburgh. Follow signs to 376W to Pittsburgh. Then follow signs for Airport (279S). Go through Fort Pitt Tunnels to Exit 4B, Parkway Center Drive. Make first right into complex. Maynard is next to Parkway Center Mall.

From West of 79: 76E (Turnpike) to Exit 28, Cranberry - Follow signs to 79S. Take 79S to 279S (left exit). Follow signs for Airport. Go through Fort Pitt tunnels to Exit 4B, Parkway Center Drive. Make first right into complex. Maynard is next to Parkway Center Mall.

DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Call for Papers!

IIE Headquarters has submitted a call for papers for the 2004 National Conference in Houston, to be held May 15-19, 2004. Deadline for submission is Oct 17, 2003. Please see www.iienet.org/annual for more details.

Lean Enterprise -- Lean Manufacturing
Monday & Tuesday, October 6-7, 2003
Holiday Inn, Greentree, Pittsburgh, PA

An intensive 2-day seminar designed to help you learn the tools you need to implement Lean Enterprise/Lean Manufacturing and how these tools can be used to help your business succeed.

This course is designed to teach you what you need to know to successfully implement Lean. Companies today are facing tough times in an ever more competitive marketplace. Learn the techniques others are using and how Lean can change your business. These concepts originally developed by Toyota have been transforming companies around the world. Don't be left behind.

You will gain the knowledge and confidence you need to make Lean work for you. Lean Enterprise combines the proven success of Lean Manufacturing with other Lean tools that will transform the way you do business. Lean Enterprise examines your entire operation from supply chain to the customer. This is the key to implement Lean successfully.

***\$995 per person; \$895 for SME Members
Additional \$50 off for early registration by July 30, 2003.***

For more information or to register for the seminar, email Lean Sigma at:
<mailto:leansigmamainc@hotmail.com> or call (412) 427-0364.



JOB BANK

The purpose of the job bank is to match qualified IIE professionals with available jobs. In the past several years, we have been successful in placing IIE members with employers.

If you or your company are looking for new employees, send a description of the position you wish to fill to the address below. We will publish your position in our monthly newsletter. Please try to limit your descriptions to 50 words or less and include a phone number, address, fax number, and email so interested parties can contact you directly.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

The membership committee would like to welcome everyone back from a short mild summer. As you may know, the Pittsburgh Chapter received an award for winning the "Chapter Challenge" for recruiting 25 new members. The chapter was given a \$500.00 check to be used toward chapter activities.

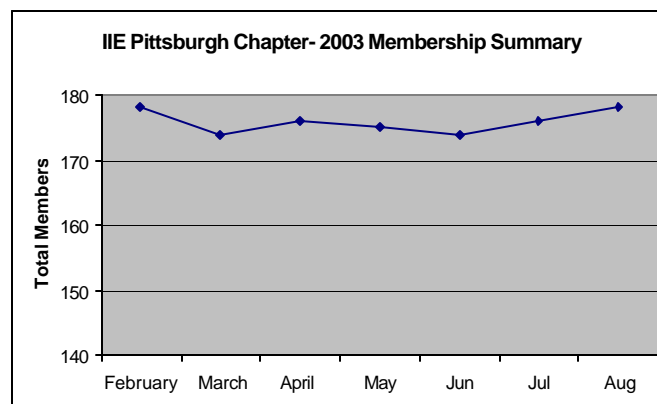
The goal of 190 members is still within reach. Also, the membership committee needs your help with recruiting activities. If you have any ideas, please contact Mike Harris at 412-859-2303.

The membership total for the Pittsburgh Chapter is at 178 members. The membership activity this month included:

- 2 new members
- 0 transfers in
- 0 transfers out
- 3 reinstated
- 3 dropped

TREASURER'S REPORT

	INCOME	EXPENSES
1. DUES INCOME	\$ 1,070.00	XXX
2. INTEREST INCOME	3.51	XXX
3. CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED (A)	-	XXX
4. CONFERENCES (B)	-	200.00
5. MONTHLY MEETINGS	87.50	49.03
6. NEWSLETTERS (B)	-	1,024.56
7. MISCELLANEOUS (B)(C)	-	-
8. CONTRIBUTIONS AND GRANTS PD.	XXX	-
9. PUBLICATIONS/NEWSLETTERS	XXX	-
10. PROGRAMS/MEETINGS	XXX	631.50
11. STUDENT DEVELOPMENT (E)	XXX	500.00
12. COMMUNITY SERVICES	XXX	-
13. MEMBER SERVICES	XXX	-
14. OFFICERS & CHAPTER MEETINGS	XXX	28.47
15. CHAPTER OPERATIONS SUPPLIES	XXX	8.00
16. MISCELLANEOUS (C)	XXX	-
17. TOTAL	\$ 1,161.01	\$ 2,441.56
ENTER: 18. NET WORTH 4/01/02		\$ 6,511.62
ADD 4/01/02-3/31/03 INC.		\$ 1,161.01
SUBTOTAL	\$ 7,672.63	
LESS 4/01/02-3/31/03 EXP.		\$ (2,441.56)
NET WORTH 3/31/03		\$ 5,231.07
19. STATEMENT OF NET WORTH		
ENTER: PETTY CASH ACCT. BAL.	\$ -	
ENTER: CHECKING ACCT. BAL.	\$ 2,498.81	
ENTER: SAVINGS ACCT. BAL.	\$ 2,732.26	
TOTAL *	\$ 5,231.07	



If you know other industrial engineers or people working in an industrial engineering capacity, encourage them to come to one of our upcoming meetings and join IIE. Membership forms are available at IIE's home page <http://www.iienet.org> or you can contact Mike Harris at (412) 859-2303.

Note: If your contact information changes (i.e. address, company, phone number, e-mail address), please contact IIE National. Their phone number is (770) 449-0460 or 1-800-494-0460. Once you contact IIE National, your address change should be reflected on our next mailing list, which is received from IIE National each month.

RECAP OF LAST MONTH'S MEETING

As is tradition, IIE once again attended a baseball game to see Pirates take on the St. Louis Cardinals. This was the second time around due to the June game being rained out, but that didn't stop everyone from coming out and having fun. Over 30 IIE members, friends, and family had an enjoyable time at the tailgate, and, despite not being able to pull out a win, it was a good game with plenty of action, not the least of which was a special visit from the Pirate Parrot, and another round of the Great Perrogie Race.

Thanks to everyone in attendance. A good time was had by all, and we are looking forward to seeing everyone again at the September meeting!



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NEXT MONTH'S MEETING

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Next month is Student Night at the Holiday Inn in Oakland on October 14th. This year's speaker is Joseph A. Hardy (BSIE '48), CEO, at 84 Lumber.

Please plan to join us!

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National IIE Website – www.iienet.org



2003 Schedule of Events

January 15	Address by IIE National President
February 18	Tour of the Carnegie Science Center & Omnimax Theater
March 27	Pittsburgh Tribune-Review Newsworks Printing Facility Tour
April 23	Networking Night @ Penn Brewery
May 15	Tour of FedEx Ground Facility
June 17	Pirates Game (Rained Out)
August 12	Pirates Game (Rescheduled Date)
September 16	Round Table Discussion on Lean
October 14	Student Night