



**SOCIETY OF WOMEN ENGINEERS**  
**Kansas City Section**

**NOVEMBER 2005 NEWSLETTER**

---

**Calendar of Upcoming Events:**

**November**

- 3-5 SWE National Conference in Anaheim
- 15 Meeting with Women in Design
- 14-17 SAME Regional Conference



**December**

- 1 Holiday Party/Adopt-a-Family



NOVEMBER 3-5, 2005 in ANAHEIM, CA

“The 2005 SWE National Conference celebrates the contributions of women engineers leading global diversity and prepares thousands of women to achieve as engineers and leaders in a global and innovative profession.”

The 2005 SWE National Conference is a great opportunity to build a network with fellow peers and enhance your professional as well as personal skills.  
Check out the full session details at [www.swe.org](http://www.swe.org)

---

**HAPPY HOUR WITH WID**

**NOVEMBER 15, 2005**



As promoted by the 2005 SWE National Conference, Diversity is one of the SWE goals for 2005.

Join the members of Women in Design (WID) and SWE for Happy Hour

at the Helix Architecture in the Crossroads - 1629 Walnut, KC MO 64108 - at 5:30pm  
for food, fun and interaction.

---



The Society of American Military Engineers will be hosting a regional conference at the Fairmont Hotel in Kansas City on **NOVEMBER 14-17, 2005**.

The Kansas City post combines the needs of the military and the private sector to design and construct environmental, civil and military facilities. The contracts are administered by the Army Corps of Engineers.

"Re-engineering the Military and Business" will have three tracks: military transformation, design-build, and small business. The transformation piece is the realignment of personnel due to BRAC and re-organization of the military units.

To view the conference home page: <http://sharepoint.samekc.org/MoRiverRegional05/>

To register for the SAME Regional Conference:

<http://www.regonline.com/eventinfo.asp?EventId=28758>

---

## SWE-KC HOLIDAY PARTY



- When: Thursday, December 1st, at 6:00 pm.
- Location: 1332 E 154th Terrace, Olathe, KS 66062
- Phone: (913) 390-8449
- Direction: From I-35 South, take the Paola/HWY 7 exit 215. Note this exit is for both HWY 7 and 151st street. Once you get off I-35, the first traffic light is for 7 hwy, so go straight thru it. The second light is 151st street intersection. Turn left onto 151st street. Turn right at the traffic light onto Ridgeview (Garmin will be on the left side of the street). Turn left onto 154th street, take the first right onto Central and the first left onto 154th Terrace. Isabel's home will be on the left side.

Please contact Isabel Solano at (913) 390-8449 or [SolanoI@bv.com](mailto:SolanoI@bv.com) if you have any question.

---

## ADOPT-A-FAMILY



SWE-KC is once again participating in the Guadalupe Center’s Adopt-a-Family program for our holiday giving activity. This year, our family includes four children, ages 12 through 15, supported by a single mom who is struggling financially due to cuts in her hours of employment. As the children are older than families we have assisted in past years, there is less emphasis on ‘toys’ and **more emphasis on NEEDS**. The family wish list is provided below. Additional suggestions for giving are also provided as the wish list is shorter than usual.

We will gather at our traditional SWE-KC Holiday Party on **Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup>** to wrap the gift items which will then be delivered to the Guadalupe Center.

Please email or call Shelley Wolff, [swolff@hntb.com](mailto:swolff@hntb.com) / 816-527-2482, with the item(s) that you would like to provide for our family so we can be certain that all needs are covered and that we do not have duplicate items.

If you are not able to attend the Holiday Party but still like to help, call Shelley to arrange for pick up of your items. Cash donations can be sent to:

Shelley Wolff  
4981 Summit  
Shawnee, KS 66216

Please make your check payable to SWE-KC.



All items should be newly purchased, not used. When purchasing clothing please remember to ask for a gift receipt in case an item needs to be exchanged for a different size. We will collect the receipts and place them in an envelope for the mother.

Thank you all for making this a special holiday for Leticia and her family.

<p><u>Leticia – the mom</u> Shoe size – 6 ½ Dress / pants – 13 Shirt – XL</p> <p>Needs / Wish List: 1- Blanket 2- Jacket 3- Pajamas</p>	<p><u>Mario – male age 12</u> Shoe size – 9 Dress / pants – 14 Shirt – XL</p> <p>Needs / Wish List: 1- Hooded sweatshirt Jacket 2- Remote Control Car</p>	<p><u>Carmen – female age 13</u> Shoe size – 8 ½ Dress/pants – 6-9 Shirt – XL</p> <p>Needs/Wish List: 1- Jacket 2- Purse (small) 3- Nail polish set</p>	<p><u>Francisco – male age 14</u> Shoe size – 9 ½ Dress / pants – 32 x 30 Shirt – XL</p> <p>Needs / Wish List: 1- Hooded sweatshirt 2- Jacket 3- Ghetto boom box</p>	<p><u>Liz – female age 15</u> Shoe size – 8 ½ Dress / pants – 8 Shirt – L</p> <p>Needs / Wish List: 1- Jacket 2- Eye make up 3- Cologne</p>
---	---	---	--	---

### Additional suggestions:

**Cash** – we will purchase a Price Chopper gift card so they can have a good holiday meal

**Cash** – we could also purchase a WalMart or Target gift card for personal items

Board game - Books - Sweaters - T-shirts - Jeans - Gloves

---

---

## NATIONAL CONFERENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE

If you haven't heard yet, the 2006 SWE National Conference will be held in **KANSAS CITY!!**

**OCTOBER 12-14, 2006**

In preparation for the BIG event, the National Conference Planning Committee meets every first Tuesday of the month at Paulo & Bill's Restaurant at 16501 Midland Dr in Shawnee, KS. The group is deciding what merchandise to sell at the convention, coordinating the volunteers for the convention as well as developing ways to inform as many companies and organizations with female engineers to join SWE. If you are interested in working with this committee, please contact Michelle Mahoney at [mmahoney@hntb.com](mailto:mmahoney@hntb.com).

---

---

### TASK FORCE COMMITTEES

SWE is encouraging all members to join and be active in one of the **Task Force Committees**, in particular the National Engineers Week Committee. The **National Engineers Week Committee** represents SWE on the Steering Committee for National Engineers Week. It is the mission of National Engineers Week to increase public awareness and appreciation of the engineering profession and appreciation of technology.



You can find the entire list of Committees along with their chair person and a detailed description of their goals by visiting [www.swe.org](http://www.swe.org), under **About SWE/ Committees**.

Don't just be a member, be **PROACTIVE** and contribute in making SWE a continuing leading organization.

---

---

**YOU HAVE COMMENTS OR SUGGESTIONS? CONTACT US BY VISITING OUR WEBSITE:**

**[Http://o.web.umkc.edu/obannond/SWE/SWE-KC.html](http://o.web.umkc.edu/obannond/SWE/SWE-KC.html)**