

# SWE *Newsletter*



## ***Society of Women Engineers***



Students network with representatives from General Electric and Corning while enjoying a catered dinner at the Statler Hotel.

## **Professional Networking Dinner**

September 9, 2008

150 Cornell students were very fortunate to get the opportunity to attend this fall's Professional Networking Dinner in Cornell's Statler Ballroom. Representatives from 43 mostly engineering-oriented corporations including Cisco Systems, General Motors, Google, Procter and Gamble, Microsoft, and Kraft Foods, were in attendance. After a welcome speech by the College of Engineering's Associate Dean Rick Allmendinger, students seeking internships proceeded to rotate through two tables of representatives while handing out their resumes. Following a delicious dinner prepared and catered by the school of hotel management, alumnus Jon Lu delivered a light-hearted speech on his previous experiences with networking. The night ended with a third rotation accompanied by

two types of delicious cheesecake and a raffle of various Cornell and corporation paraphernalia. The networking dinner, along with the next day's Engineering Career Fair, was an excellent opportunity for Cornell

students to make connections with major companies.



## **Welcoming Picnic**

September 12, 2008

As a way of starting off the fall semester, the SWE directors organized a picnic at the Plantations Arboretum. A group of around 50 women engineers gathered outside of Appel to make the hike together. A significant number of the students were freshmen, most of which had never ventured past the observatory, over the footbridge at Beebe lake, and to the beautiful plantations at Cornell University. After everyone had a chance to eat, each SWE director introduced herself and explained the jobs carried out by her respective committee. Their enthusiasm about SWE gave members an idea of what positions were still available and what events would take place over the course of the semester. To end the picnic, everyone participated in a bingo game based on facts about their peers' lives. This event was a great way for new SWE members to get to know each other (not to mention the free food!)

**Top right:** Exchange student Novia Wong is excited about the picnic!

**Bottom right:** Freshmen Nakeisha Griffin and Rena Bae listen as junior Emily Swarr explains the directorship of Career Development.



## Annual 5k Run

October 18, 2008

On a brisk Saturday morning in October, 12 Cornell students chose to devote their time and running prowess to benefit a very deserving charity. All proceeds from this year's 5k run, sponsored primarily by Cisco Systems, went to Communities in Schools, a drop-out prevention organization. According to their website, the goal of this organization is to provide each child with "a one-on-one relationship with a caring adult, a safe place to learn and grow, a healthy start and a healthy future, a marketable skill to use upon graduation, and a chance to give back to peers and community." The runners were able to raise a total of around \$900. Finishing first in a little over 18 minutes was engineering student Christopher Guerrero.



Cornell students run 5k for charity.

### Past Info Sessions

3M Company  
AirProducts and Chemicals, Inc.  
Applied Predictive Technologies  
Bloomberg  
Bristol-Myers Squibb  
Carrier Corporation  
Dow Corning Corporation  
Epic Systems Corporation  
Exponent  
Exxon Mobil  
Facebook  
FactSet Research Systems, Inc.  
Goldman Sachs  
Google  
Green Hills  
Hulu  
IBM

Infosys Technologies, Ltd.  
Infusion Development  
Jet Propulsion Laboratory  
JP Morgan Chase & Co.  
Kraft Kennedy  
Kurt Salmon Associates  
L'Oreal  
MicroStrategy  
Morgan Stanley  
Oliver Wyman  
Procter & Gamble  
Schlumberger  
Shell  
Sunoco  
Tower Research Capital  
VistaPrint  
Yahoo!  
ZS Associates

Newsletter Chair: Natasha Gangjee

SWE members take a boat ride at this year's national conference!



## Look out for these upcoming events!

**Sciencenter Outreach Event:** November 15: 2-4 pm

Come make Gak with local Ithaca kids at the Sciencenter! Contact Lucy (lb263) for details.

**Elementary School Outreach:** December 8

Come take a study break and visit Ithaca elementary schools! We'll be doing fun engineering activities with the children in both the morning and the afternoon. Contact Meaghan (mec255) or Laura (lkj23) if you want to come!

### BAE Systems

BAE Systems is a global company engaged in the development, delivery, and support of advanced defense and aerospace systems. They want to invite students of all engineering majors to visit their facilities in Virginia. Contact Adwiti (ab442) if you are interested in a trip later this year.



Women engineers enjoy tea time snacks with SWE's first adviser at Cornell.