

Report of the 2009-2010 President

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The Year in Review

In 2009, the AIME Board continued implementation of the Society's strategic plan and initiatives. Specifically, AIME:

- hosted the Emerging Leaders Alliance training in Reston, Virginia, as well as on-line resources to support young leaders within TMS, SME, AIST, and SPE, as well as IEEE, ASCE, ASME, and AIChE. Plans for the 2010 program in Denver, Colorado, November 5-7, and the addition of a European session in Amsterdam, The Netherlands, November 30 to December 2, are underway.
- AIME staff is leading efforts that includes representatives from all founder and member societies, and is investigating options to continue the Emerging Leaders Alliance program, thereby providing cost-effective and efficient opportunities for engineers to participate in cross-disciplinary training.
- hosted a very-well received sustainability workshop, Engineering Solutions for Sustainability: Materials and Resources (ESS M&R) in July at Lausanne, Switzerland.
- partnered with Engineering Founder Societies on the Carbon Management Project, including the development of scorecards as a tool for assessing carbon management technologies, and holding workshops on both gaps and barriers and carbon accounting
- recognized outstanding achievement in technology, research, production, development, and administration through conferring major achievement awards.
- granted just over \$84,000 in scholarships to young engineers
- was well represented at professional meetings and events by the AIME president and executive directors

It will be particularly gratifying to present my predecessor, AIME past-president Michael Karmis, with an honorary membership award at the SME annual meeting in 2010.

I am also excited to be handing over the presidency of AIME to the first female, DeAnn Craig, in its long and noble history. I am sure this is an appointment many will feel is long overdue. I remain confident that the leadership of the society is in extremely capable hands and that we shall continue to explore ways to enhance the value provided to our member societies for whom we exist. It has been both a pleasure and a privilege to work with such a fine team of professionals on the board and within those societies with which we interface. The societal and global challenges we are facing call out for collaborative and coordinated efforts from all of us and I remain convinced that there is a valuable role for AIME to play in the future in this regard.