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NOTICE!!!!

Please be informed that the date of NSE Professional Interview & Exam has been re-scheduled as follows;

- * Professional interview/defence of technical report— 25-27th Sept, 2007.
- * Professional Examination— 6th October, 2007

All concerned candidates are to seriously take note

UP COMING EVENTS

- The National Annual General Conference/ Meeting of the Nigerian Institute of Mechanical Engineers holds on the 24th-26th October 2007 in Kaduna.

NSE PH HELD ITS 2ND ANNUAL LECTURE / AWARDS



Engr. Chief O. O. Oruye FNSE



Dignitaries at the lecture

The Nigerian Society of Engineers Port Harcourt Branch held her 2nd annual lecture & awards ceremony on Tuesday 11th of September 2007 at the NSE PH Secretariat. The Programme which began at 4 pm kick-started with the annual lecture by the eminent lecturer and past chairman of the branch, Engr. Chief O. O. Oruye FNSE. The theme of this year's lecture was "Electrification of Nigeria for the Enhancement of life". The lecturer, Engr. Chief Oruye said that for the nation to witness tremendous industrial growth and rapid natural development, there has to be efficient power supply. He extolled the initiative of the Rivers State Government's IPP and urged the state government to expedite action for the enhancement of life and empowerment in Rivers State. Dignitaries who were present at this year's lecture include the Deputy Governor of Rivers State, Engr. Tele Ikuru, who was represented by the commissioner for works, Mr. Emmanuel Omah. Other dignitaries include, the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry Transport Mr. I. E. Samuel, Engr. Prof. H. I. Hart FNSE, the Dean of Faculty of Engineering RUST Engr. Orok Ita, The Managing Director/ CEO Rok Projects Nig. Ltd, Engr. Dr. Ephraim, Engr. I. Z. S. Akobo, the immediate past chairman of the branch and over 500 engineers and chiefs who graced the occasion. Highlights of the ceremony was the presentation of awards to deserving members. The celebrated couple of the year was Engr. & Mrs. Richard Ogonu who won as best performing exco member of the year and the most active spouse of the year respectively. Engr. Chief O. O. Oruye FNSE, for a second record time won again the most active past chairman award. Engr. Mrs. C. A. Ohagwa won the most active corporate member award and NDDC won the most outstanding corporate organization award of the year. The most active fellow award was won by Engr. G. C. Egbunefu FNSE. The most active student member award went to Mr. Promise Jumbo and The most outstanding donor of the year award went to Engr. Chief G. Massari FNSE. The turnout of engineers at this ceremony was very impressive.

NSE PH LAYS FOUNDATION STONE OF ENGINEERING RESOURCE CENTRE

The Nigerian Society of Engineers Port Harcourt Branch is set to make history on Saturday 6th of October, 2007 as it lays the foundation stone of the first ever Engineering Resource Centre in Nigeria. The Branch Chairman, Engr. B. J. Benibo FNSE, on behalf of the branch is inviting all engineers, stakeholders in engineering, allied professionals and the general public to the foundation stone laying ceremony which begins at 9.00 am. It is hoped that the Executive Governor of Rivers State shall perform the foundation stone laying ceremony.



ENGINEERING WEEK PROGRAMME

The Nigerian Society of Engineers Port Harcourt Branch, Annual Engineering Week Programme begins on the 12th of November, 2007. According to a statement from the Engineering Week Committee Chairman, Engr. E. C. Nwkorobia MNSE, the week long activities is scheduled to kick-start with an opening ceremony and key note address. Other highlights of activities of the week include:-

- ◆ Technical Evening / lectures and symposium.
- ◆ Technical visits to selected industries
- ◆ Charity Visits
- ◆ Career talks in selected secondary schools in Rivers State.
- ◆ Presidential interviews (if any at the exclusive discretion of the President)
- ◆ Annual dinner/induction of new members on Saturday at Hotel Presidential.
- ◆ Thanksgiving service on Sunday in any selected church.

All Engineers are enjoined to participate actively in this programme.

Visit www.nseph.org for the NSE PH website.



Be informed that AGM/Election comes up on the 27th of Sept. 2007. To be eligible to vote and be voted for, you must be financially up to date.

NSE 3-DAY COMPULSORY REFRESHER COURSE ENDS

The 3-day Compulsory Refresher Course organized by the Nigerian Society of Engineers for candidates who are prospective members of the NSE, ended on Thursday 13th of September 2007. Attendance of the candidates at this workshop show that over eighty (80) candidates took part in the course which is a mandatory preparatory programme for all intending candidates for the NSE Professional Examination.



COMMUNIQUE OF THE 16TH COREN ENGINEERING ASSEMBLY HELD ON TUESDAY 28TH AND WEDNESDAY 29TH AUGUST, 2007 AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE CENTRE, ABUJA

The 16th COREN Engineering Assembly, a gathering of all cadres in the engineering family, was held on Tuesday, 28th and Wednesday 29th August, 2007 at the International Conference Centre, Abuja. The Theme of the Assembly was "Millennium Development Goals: Prospects and Challenges to the Engineering Profession in Nigeria". Papers were presented under the sub-themes: Attaining the Millennium Development Goals in Nigeria—Journey so far; Engineering Re-

quirement for reduction of child mortality, enhancement of maternal health, Reduction of HIV/AIDS and malaria, The Role of Engineering in the Reduction of Poverty and Hunger, Capacity Building towards achieving Millennium Development Goals— The Role of Primary Education: Environmental Sustainability; and Globalization, Cross-boarder partnership and networking. The Lead paper was delivered by Engr. (Prof) O. A. Bamiro, FNSE, VC, University of Ibadan.

His Excellency, Alh. Umaru Musa

Yar'Adua, GCFR, President and Commander-In-Chief of the Armed Forces of Nigeria, who was the Special Guest of Honour at the opening ceremony was ably represented by the Hon. Minister of Education, Dr. Igwe Ajanwachukwu. The opening ceremony was chaired by Brig-Gen. Mobolaji Johnson (Rtd) and was graced by three other ministers: Dr. Aliyu Modibo Umar (FCT), Arc. (Mrs.) Halima Alao (Environment, Urban development & Housing). The Head of Civil Service of the Federation, Engr. Ebele Okeke FNSE, was equally present. Other dignitaries that were in attendance included two Deputy Governors (Rivers and Kano States), Commissioners of some states of the Federation, together with over 3600 engineers, technologists, technicians and craftsmen. *To be continued in next edition*



Participants at the assembly

NSE PH GIVES AWARD TO NDDC

The Nigerian Society of Engineers Port Harcourt Branch on September 12th 2007, presented an award to the Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC) as the most outstanding corporate organization amidst colourful Board reception at the Dappa Biriye House. The occasion which was attended by the Principal Officers of NDDC was presided over by the Managing Director and Chief

Executive Officer of NDDC, Chief Timi Alaibe. The Managing Director who was visibly overwhelmed by the award pledged continuous support of NDDC to the course of Engineering which according to him is the bedrock of the policy thrust of the communism for the sustainable development of the Niger Delta. The occasion also witnessed the presentation of certificates of awards to the Executive Director of Projects, Engr. Beniah Ojum FNSE, for his meritorious services and commitment to The Nigerian Society of Engineers. Also Certificate of merit was awarded to the Technical Assistant to the Executive Director of Project.

NSE PH EXCO VISITS MEMBER COMPANY

The Branch Chairman, Engr. B. J. Benibo FNSE, led a few members of the Exco to visit Opticom Leasing Nigeria Ltd and Aseriama Associates Nig Ltd on Wednesday 12th September 2007. Engr. S. N. Njidda MNSE and Engr. I. T Woy MNSE, both Managing Director and Chief Executive Officers respectively gave a warm reception to the Exco. The Exco members who joined the chairman in the visit were Engr. Dr. A. H Igoni, Branch Secretary and Engr. A. A. Dania MNSE Publicity Secretary.

ERC COMMITTEE VISITS THE HON. COMMISSIONER OF ENVIRONMENT

The Engineering Resource Centre (ERC) committee was led by the Branch Chairman, Engr. B. J. Benibo FNSE on a visit to the Honourable Commissioner for Environment Hon. Engr. Ndubuisi Nwankwo MNSE, on September 5th 2007 to intimate him of the ERC project and the upcoming event of the Foundation Stone Laying Ceremony. The chairman in a short speech at the brief meeting implored the honourable commissioner and other engineers in government to give their support to The Nigerian Society of Engineers especially Port Harcourt Branch. He said as Engineers in government, there is need for them to rally and influence government support for the Engineering Resource Center project which is the first of its kind in the Niger Delta and the nation at large. Engr. Benibo explained that the engineering resource Center is expected to be a world class professional development center for all categories of engineers and engineering services.



NOTICE! NOTICE!! NOTICE!!!

This is to inform all members of NSEPH that the **annual branch due** of N4000 and **compulsory levy** of N5000 towards the Engineer Resource Center is due. All payment should be made at the Branch Secretariat or via Branch Account: **UBA ACC. NO: 0802080000194 (Port Harcourt main Branch)**. Also pay **National Annual Subscription** of N5,500.00 directly to **AFRIBANK ACC No. 1420202215613** & forward all tellers to the secretariat for reconciliation.