

NEWSLETTER
MALAYALEE ENGINEERS' ASSOCIATION
HOUSTON, TEXAS
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MEA NITE 2009!!!

Saturday, April 25, 2009

4.00 P.M

**St.Thomas Church Auditorium
2411 5th Street Stafford TX 77477
Phone: 281-499-1847**

Please bring your family and friends for an entertaining evening showcasing many talents of MEA Family followed by dinner. Program includes dance, music and variety entertainment.

- Social Hour with snacks and coffee : 4:00pm - 5:00pm
- Cultural Program : 5:00pm - 7:30pm
- Dinner : Soon after

The cover charges are:

\$15 per adult for MEA members & family

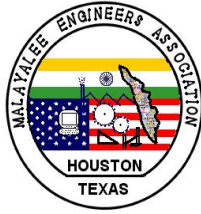
\$20 per adult for guests

\$10 per child (5-12 yrs) & Seniors > 65yrs

Please ensure that your membership dues (\$ 30) for the current year have been paid.

Members are encouraged to obtain the tickets in advance from any of the committee members.

There will also be facilities for payment at the event.



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Behind the scenes ...

A dedicated team of members and their spouses are necessary to make these events a great success.

1. Hall arrangements for talent nite
2. Registration desk management
3. Hospitality

Please Contact Sudhir Padmanabhan @ 281-216-7282

Please visit the [website www.meahouston.org](http://www.meahouston.org) for up-to-date information on our activities and MEA documents such as bylaws.

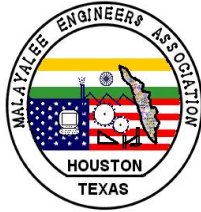
MEA SCHOLARSHIPS

The MEA scholarship selection committee has just completed the selection of 2009 candidates. We were able to provide 8 new full scholarships and one half scholarship out of over 300 Applications received this year. This is in addition to the 24 plus existing scholarships for students who are already in the program and attending their 2nd, 3rd and final year of their course.

Congratulations to the Scholarship subcommittee for their superior efforts in evaluating the need and credentials of the candidates and often personally checking out the selected candidates, even by visiting their educational institutions and homes.

We extend our sincere thanks to the scholarship sponsors and contributors, who have made this program astounding success and continue to support MEA's efforts to find and support needy engineering student talents. **This year's scholarships are awarded to:**

MEA Scholarship Rank	Student	College	Subject
1	Sudev A.C	Govt.Eng. college,Thrissur	Electronics & Communication
2	Abhijith Krishnan	Govt.Eng.college,Barton Hill, Trivandrum	Information Technology
3	Vaisakh.V.A.	Govt.Eng. college,Thrissur	Computer Science and Engineering
4	Ajesh Kumar.N.	University College of Engineering, Karyavattom	Electronics & Communication
5	Surya K.P.	Govt.Eng.college,Kannur	Electronics & Communication
6	Sajesh.K.	Govt.Eng.college,Thrissur	Electronics & Communication
7	Amrutha M.S.	Govt.Eng.college,Thrissur	Chemical Engineering
8	Praveen.V.S.	Mar Baselious college of Engineering	Electrical and Electronics Engineering
9	Athulya.S.Pushpan	N.S.S College of Engineering, Palakkad	Instrumentation & Control Engineering



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STUDENTS PERFORMANCE HISTORY

Years	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Scholarships Awarded (Total 50+)	2	3	4	5	7	7	7	8	9.5
Students successfully completed studies/Semesters with Awards	1*	2**	3**	4**	4	7***	4**	8***	

Note: * Did not complete studies due to illness
** Did not meet renewal criteria
*** Indicates 1 or more partial payments

More information of the scholarship program can be found at our website. For additional information, please contact one of the 2009 MEA Executive Committee Members or the Scholarship Committee Coordinator K.N. Rajesh (281-392-4703).

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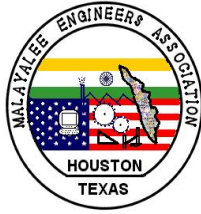
The MEA Spring family picnic was held at Bear Creek park on Saturday, March 21st, 10 AM to 4PM. Over 100 MEA Family members and guests attended the event. We had on site BBQ and out door games and sports activities. It was a great outing for the adults and children as well.



GENERAL BODY MEETING

MEA General Body was met at 4 Pm in the Bear Creek park on March 21st. The Bylaw adopted by the Board is amended to include the following:

1. Three Trustees with a nominal 3 year term were elected to represent
 - (a) To represent MEA with IRS and other US government on tax and 501C3 Status issues.
 - (b) To Coordinate Scholarship activities
 - (c) To coordinate MEA activities with other National and International organizations



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M/s Joe Joseph CPA, Rajesh K. Narayanan and Vidyasagar with specific initial periods of services were elected for the above positions respectively.

2. The General Body also amended the Bylaws to have General body elections completed for the on coming years at least one month before the term of the current Board expires.
3. The GM also adopted that at least once a year.

WEB SITE

The MEA Web site team has just launched a brand new web page. We are getting great reviews for our new site. Congratulations to the web site team for their superior efforts. The team is continuing their efforts to keep the website vibrant and currant. All the latest MEA events and announcements are available at the website www.meahouston.org

We invite your comments and suggestions to improve the look and contend of our web site. Please checkout our new web site and contact us with your valuable comments and suggestions

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

We are looking for new members as well as the continued support of the existing members as we are looking for ways to expand our horizons in identifying and supporting new engineering talents.

If you haven't joined MEA yet, we are inviting you join this great organization, with opportunities to network, participate in cultural activities and support the scholarship program. If your membership has expired, we are inviting you to renew your membership and rejoin the excitement.

We are also looking for new sponsors for our scholarship program. You may sponsor a full scholarship for a student for four years (\$2000) or any fraction of thereof. Full Scholarship may be after you or the name of your choice.

FUTURE EVENTS

We are planning a camping trip incorporating Austin and Dallas Engineers in the summer of 2009. Please contact **Sudhir** with your ideas and thoughts.
go.sudhir@gmail.com

CALL FOR ARTICLES

Writers in MEA family: Please send in articles (technical, non-technical, humorous), stories, notices about important events, announcements etc. We will publish them in the next issue.



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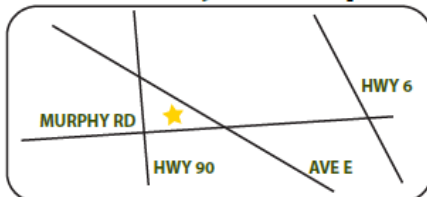


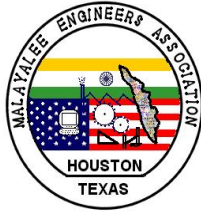
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