

Third Spring 2014 MA/Keramos Meeting

Polos/Logo Competition

- Don't forget about the logo competition!
- Winner gets \$100!
- Logos may be hand drawn; maximum 5 submissions per person
- Deadline to submit logos is February 28—email or submit logo to Ivy at ivyhasman@email.arizona.edu

eWeek Competition

- Had 40 students and 10 clubs participate on Friday
- Super successful, will hopefully do it again next year

Congressional Visits Day 2014

- See attached sheet below for more info
- April 7-8 in Washington D.C.
- 5 travel grants available for 5 students (maximum 5 students can attend)—deadline: February 24

Plant tours

- 2 or 3 plant tours in the Phoenix area—one day during spring break
- Al-alloys extrusions and forgings
- Steel plant where rebar is made (this is slick operation)
- Email Ivy if you are interested in going on a tour

AIST Chapter Scholarships

- \$1500 scholarship, for MA members only
- Deadline to apply: April 30
- See attached sheet for more information and how to apply

Outreach

- Will be a top priority this semester—both clubs are dedicated to professional development and community outreach
- If you want to help with outreach, if you can, please get into contact with your old high school and talk to science and engineering teachers

who teach juniors and seniors about possibly coming in to talk to their classes (for next semester)

- Ask teachers what days they meet most of their classes (days where they meet all their classes most ideal)

Other announcements/comments

- Keramos initiation will be held March 28, 6pm
 - Email Sam at samhudson@email.arizona.edu if you are interested in being initiated
 - Will give more details at the next meeting
 - \$10 dues to Sam the week before/of initiation
 - Really quick, initiation will take about 1 hour and then we will go out to dinner afterwards
- Keramos graduation regalia
 - Would anyone be interested?
 - Keramos colors: light cobalt blue and gold
 - Will only do gold cords
 - Email Sam if you want regalia

Congressional Visits Day 2014

“ Dear Material Advantage Faculty Advisor:

Congressional Visits Day (CVD), organized by Material Advantage, is set for April 7 - 8, 2014, in Washington, DC. The CVD is an annual event that brings students to Washington to raise visibility and support for science, engineering, and technology. Please inform your Material Advantage Chapter about this vital opportunity to emphasize the long-term importance of science, engineering and technology to the Nation through meetings with Congressional decision makers.

The Congressional Visits Day event will begin with an opening reception at The Top of the Hill Banquet and Conference Center, 4 - 7 p.m. on Monday, April 7. A catered reception will be held with light hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. A budget overview and update will be given by guest speaker, Kei Koizumi of the Office of Science and Technology Policy. After the budget overview, Deborah Koolbeck of the Council on Competitiveness, will speak on effective communication with Hill staff, and Megan Brewster, the 2013-2014 Congressional Science and Engineering Fellow, will present on why she chose life in an office on the Hill. During the reception, a fun and interactive role play session will also be conducted to prepare the students for their visits the next day. The visits will be held all day on Tuesday, April 8.

CVD is open to Material Advantage Student Members at a US-based university, and registration is free of charge. Due to limited funds and space, a maximum of 5 students from any one university may request a travel grant and attend the reception on the evening of April 7.

The Material Advantage Student Program is offering a limited number of travel grants to each individual student registrant to help offset costs to Congressional Visits Day. **ACT NOW...The deadline for registration and travel grant applications is FEBRUARY 24, 2014.** [Sign up today!](#) *Please read the important note at the top of the application form before completing it.*

For more information about CVD, visit the [Material Advantage activities page](#).

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you.

Best regards,

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AIST Chapter Scholarship

“I was hoping you could remind your Material Advantage Chapter of the upcoming deadline for the Southern California Chapter AIST scholarships. The deadline for the national scholarships has passed but we are accepting applications for our chapter scholarships through April 30th. I have yet to receive any applications so if you could encourage students to apply for a \$1,500 scholarship that would be much appreciated. Applications can be found [here](#).”