

Just In Times



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Theme: Networking

Date: September 17, 2025 (Wednesday)

Time: 6:00 - 8:30pm

Location: Live Casino

900 Packer Ave. Philadelphia, PA 19148

Cost: Free Appetizer

RSVP:

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Remember!

Chapter members are invited to set up a site tour of their employer's facility for the chapter's membership, in exchange for half off membership dues for a year.

The tour ideally should include at least one topic of interest to IISEs, examples automation, just in time, lean, logistics, etc. The brief proposal should include the name of the employer, the location of the facility, the approximate size of the facility, a sentence or two about the focus of the proposed tour, any date or time suggestions and/or restrictions for the tour, and contact information for a contact person who can arrange such tour.

\$20 to the 1st 5 IISE Members to RSVP

Program Year Starts with A Social at Philadelphia LIVE!









Come join your fellow Industrial Engineers in the Delaware Valley for a night of networking and fellowship. The IISE chapter will be providing the first five chapter members to RSVP and complete a short chapter survey with \$20 to get familiar with the casino offerings (or pocket a profit). Chapter board members are not eligible for the promotion.

Live **Sports and Social** is a sports bar open to the casino floor, which will allow members to have open discussions and to enjoy a great group atmosphere while discussing the engineering challenges of the year! (And perhaps some lighter discussions.)

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



September has rolled around, and the start of a new program year! The board has worked over the summer on a variety of items, and we are excited about this year's events. The Icebreaker event for September should be a great opportunity for engineers to gather, have some fun, network and discuss the challenges we are facing in our current work. With everything going on in the world, I continue to see a great need for good engineering to help our manufacturing and supply chain achieve "best in class" status.

We have a great site tour scheduled for October at the Dorman site in Colmar PA. They had a major fire in 2024 and had to shut down the corporate HQ and attached warehouse for major remediation. The facility director, Kayleigh, is a graduate of Jefferson University in Philly, and a great IE. She led the effort to repair and reset the HQ and warehouse and will share her "lessons learned" while touring us through the office and warehouse. Don't miss this for the world!

I also wanted to take the opportunity to reach out to our members and ask them to consider serving on the chapter board. We have a lot of veteran board members and a couple of new folks, but we are in need of additional folks with their ideas and energy. The board meets monthly on the last Wednesday of the month for dinner and chapter business. Typically a new person on the board can start out as just a "director at large" with no assigned duties. It's a great way to "dip your toe in the water" and see if you would like to contribute and help shape the way the chapter is performing. Please contact

I'm looking forward to seeing folks at the Icebreaker and discussing life in our chapter's area! Kevin Drevik President South Jersey, Delaware Valley Chapter 132

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Thought for Today: "Sound health is the greatest of gifts; contentedness, the greatest of riches; trust, the greatest of qualities."
- Buddha



Brains Teaser

1) What word in the English Language is always spelled incorrectly?

Answers on Page 4

TREASURER'S REPORT



Mr. Fred Rexon reports a Treasury Balance of \$ \$5,169.73 as of August 26, 2025 for the IISE South Jersey Delaware Valley Senior Chapter No. 132.

CAREER CENTER

South Jersey Delaware Valley Chapter Employment Assistance Network

Are You Looking For A Job? Do You Know Of A Job Opportunity?

Contact The SJC Employment Assistance Network: Email your name or any hot opportunities to Kevin Drevik at **Kdrevik@yahoo.com**

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

As of 7/31/2025 the SJDV Chapter has 77 Members.

There are No New Members in July.

Please Don't Go! Time to renew your membership



Don't forget to renew your IIE Membership!

Your support of your professional society is greatly appreciated. We value your Membership!

"Every person owes a part of his (her) time and money to the business or industry in which he (she) is engaged. No person has a moral right to withhold his (her) support from an organization that is striving to improve conditions within his (her) sphere." – Theodore Roosevelt

Did you know ...

The IIE South Jersey Delaware Valley Chapter will reimburse 50% of Member's Dues if he/she recruits a new full-dues paying member? Please contact the membership director prior to your associate's joining of IIE.

Check out our Chapter's Website!!

http://www.iisesjdvpc.org



Chapter Survey

Your feedback is important to us and to the success of our chapter. Please take a few minutes to reply to the survey which can be found on page 5 of this newsletter (& an attached Word document).

We need YOUR input to make the chapter the best it can be and to be responsive to our membership.

Our chapter has long history of providing some good programs and networking opportunities for our members. Compared to other chapters, we have a pretty good track record for programs, communications, and networking opportunities. But we don't measure ourselves to other chapters; our measurement is our members' expectations. And some honest feedback, criticisms, or suggestions would be greatly appreciated.

The survey can be found in the attached Word document. Please feel free you pick the questions you are interested in answering & return it to the newsletter editor at jmcgowan2000@comcast.net. If easier, a short note to the newsletter editor would be appreciated.

About Our Next Meeting:

Plant Tour – Dorman!

Our October program will be a site tour of Dorman, a major supplier of automotive parts. Tours have been popular. RSVP details will be in the October newsleter.

The tour will be on October 15th

Hope to see you there!



Hope to see you at LIVE!

Good Stuff

Money will buy a pretty good dog, but it won't buy the wag of his tail.

A ship in a safe harbor is safe, but that is not what a ship is built for.

One of the most lasting pleasures you can experience is the feeling that comes over you when you genuinely forgive an enemy – whether he knows about it or not. – A. Battista in Quote Magazine





Brain Teaser Answers (Page 2)

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Career Development

IIE EVENTS & TRAINING

EVENTS

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Lean Six Sigma Black Belt Livestream

Norcross, GA - 20 Days

SEP

Introduction to Supply Chain Management

Livestream, GA - 2 Days 16

SEP 18

Facilities and Workplace **Design Livestream**

Norcross, GA - 2 Days

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Work Measurement Norcross, GA - 2 Days

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OCT 7

Six Sigma Black Belt Livestream (Los Angeles, CA)

Los Angeles, CA - 14 Days

OCT 14

Six Sigma Green Belt for **Process Improvement** Livestream (Los Angeles, CA)

Los Angeles, CA - 3 Days

OCT 14

Six Sigma Green Belt for Process Improvement Livestream

Livestream, GA - 3 Days

For more information:

https://www.iise.org/Home/

IISE South Jersey Delaware Valley Chapter Survey

Scheduling and Participation (Circle all that apply)

- 1. What days work best for you to participate in IISE activities?
- o Monday
- o Tuesday
- o Wednesday
- o Thursday
- o Friday
- o Saturday
- o Sunday
- 2. What time of day works best for you to participate in IISE events?
- o Morning (7 am 12 pm)
- o Afternoon (12 pm -5 pm)
- o Evening (5 pm 10 pm)

Suggestions (All questions optional; please answer questions that address your concerns)

- 1. What can the chapter do to make your membership more beneficial?
- 2. What do you like best about the chapter?
- 3. What do you like least about the chapter?
- 4. How can the chapter help you expand your network?
- 5. Are you interested in serving as a chapter officer?
- 6. Are the current chapter officers welcoming?
- 7. How often do you read our newsletter?
- 8. How well does our chapter include new members in activities?
- 9. Do you have ideas for activities for the chapter?
- 10. How can we improve our chapter meetings?
- 11. How often do you visit the chapter website?
- 12. What topics should we cover in chapter meetings?
- 13. Do you have any additional thoughts?



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