

## HKN Fall 2007 Candidate Packet

### *Why were you invited?*

- § You were invited to join this honor society because your records indicate that you are an excellent candidate to be a success in your profession.
- § You were invited to join, not only because you have the best grades in the school, but also because we believe you are the future leaders of our profession, our community, and our country.
- § To be eligible you needed to have a 3.5 GPA or higher for juniors or a 3.4 GPA or higher for seniors.

### *Why should you join?*

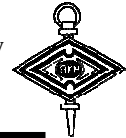
- § Eta Kappa Nu members are marked people, sought after by the best companies for employment.
- § HKN provides an avenue through which you can interact with faculty on an informal basis.
- § HKN provides excellent leadership opportunities that allow you to develop the skills needed in industry and our community.
- § Your talents and dedication to your career have proven yourself worthy of the membership of this society, and we hope you take advantage of this opportunity to come forward and join.

### *HKN Purpose*

- § To recognize scholars who by their attainments in college or in practice, have manifested a deep interest and marked ability in the profession of Electrical and Computer Engineering.
- § To promote community development and service to the Georgia Tech community as well as throughout the Atlanta area.

### *HKN History*

- § HKN was founded at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in 1904. Georgia Tech's chapter was chartered in 1941. Worldwide, HKN has about 180,000 members and nearly 200 active chapters in top universities.



## **Chapter Awards**

- § Our chapter, Beta Mu, has been awarded three awards in the past three years:
  - § 2003-2004 Certificate of Merit
  - § 2004-2005 Outstanding Chapter Award
  - § 2005-2006 Outstanding Chapter Award

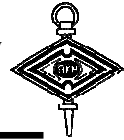
## **Chapter Activities**

- § Each year HKN sponsors the ECE spring picnic. All ECE students, faculty, and staff are invited to an afternoon of food, fellowship, and fun. The picnic is solely funded from corporate sponsorships.
  - § Outstanding Sophomore/Senior Award
  - § Outstanding Teacher Award
- § ECE Student Expo – Started in February 2006, HKN has organized a Student Project Expo in which undergraduate and graduate students can display a research topic or a project that pertains directly to Electrical and Computer Engineering.
- § Bridge-to-Business program – A program in which corporations are invited to make a presentation to members of Eta Kappa Nu. In the past, these presentations have taken various forms, from personal work histories to corporate recruitment.
- § Lab Chip Project – Every semester HKN sells chips for the four lab classes (ECE 2031, ECE 3041, ECE 3042, and ECE 3741) at a discounted rate compared to the bookstores. The profits of this project go towards a scholarship for one undergraduate junior in ECE.
- § Community Service Opportunity – Every Saturday morning, HKN members attend an elementary school to tutor inner city elementary school students in math, science, reading, and writing.
- § Monthly Social Events – Every month HKN organizes a social event in which members can socialize and have fun. The events range from social dinners to sporting events and dancing.
- § Graduate Q&A Session – HKN organizes an information session to prospective graduate students in ECE. A presentation is given by a graduate faculty member as well as current graduate students.
- § MBA Info Session – Each semester an information session is held for prospective MBA students in the ECE department. A representative from the College of Management speaks on the possibility of attaining an MBA to current ECE students.
- § Prelim Info Session – Each semester graduate students who plan to take the PhD prelim exam in ECE can get a better feel for the exam through this information session. Study tips and test taking techniques are discussed at this session.
- § Fellowship Info Session – Each semester students planning to attend graduate school can find out how to apply for fellowships.

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## ***Chapter Web Page***

<http://cyberbuzz.gatech.edu/hkn>

## ***Leadership Opportunities***

HKN holds its yearly officer elections in January of the spring semester. If you decide to become a member of HKN this spring, you have an opportunity to take on a leadership position in this organization next semester. These positions show future employers that you are one of the top students academically as well as a strong leader.

## ***Other details***

HKN's Beta Mu chapter is solely funded by corporate donations (we get no money from SGA). Companies interact with HKN through our Bridge to Business program, the annual Spring Picnic, and our newest event, the ECE Student Project Expo. The Beta Mu chapter has also started selling Lab kits to ECE students at a discounted price, all proceeds go toward the scholarship fund. The ECE scholarship is for ECE students with junior standing.

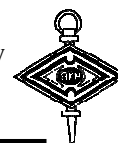
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## Membership Requirements

- GPA 3.5 or higher for juniors, 3.4 or higher for seniors. No GPA requirement for grad students.
- Service Project Each initiate must complete a service project.
- Professor Invitations Each initiate must invite a professor to the fall banquet.
- Lab Set Packaging Each initiate must help package chips for.
- (Optional) Bridge Polishing Each initiate has the option to polish an HKN bridge.

## Initiation Banquet

The initiation banquet for the fall will be tentatively held the evening of **Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2007 (tentative)**. Location and time will be provided through e-mail. You are welcome to bring a guest at an additional cost of \$20.00 per guest. The initiation banquet is **mandatory** (special circumstances will be considered).

## Wheatstone-Bridge Polishing

It is optional, although recommended, to polish a bridge. A bridge-cleaning day will be the evening of **Tuesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2007** for those interested. You may polish your bridge with a Dremel or by hand. You may pick up your bridge at our office once you pay your membership dues. You may polish your bridge by hand but it is often easier with a Dremel. The polished bridge must be submitted for judging at the initiation banquet. The top two bridges as judged by the officers will receive either half (2<sup>nd</sup> place) or the entirety of their dues back (1<sup>st</sup> place).

## Membership Dues

A Lifetime Membership Fee of \$90 is required. This covers National Dues as well as the banquet and other meeting costs. Please make checks payable to **Eta Kappa Nu**. Cash or a check is the preferred method of payment (no credit cards accepted). In addition, please include \$20.00 for each guest you plan to bring. **Membership dues must be paid by Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2007 for fall semester initiation.**

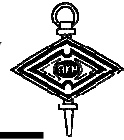
National Dues	\$40.00
Chapter Dues	\$25.00
Initiation Banquet	\$20.00
Bridge	\$ 5.00
Total	\$90.00

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## ***Service Project***

In order to be initiated into Eta Kappa Nu, one service project must be completed during the semester of your initiation. Turn in the service project verification sheet by **Tuesday, November 20<sup>th</sup>**. If you have participated in a service project since the beginning of this semester, it will count as your service project. Feel free to combine this service project with one for another group. We have arranged a group service project in which HKN initiates and members attend an inner city school to tutor students. We also participate in community beautification through Trees Atlanta. The projects are scheduled for most Saturdays during the school year. The service project lasts roughly 3 hours on a Saturday morning. The times and details will be sent out by email. If you choose to come, this will fulfill your service requirement.

## ***ECE Professor Invitations***

Each candidate is required to invite **ONE** ECE professor to the banquet. Graduate students are encouraged to invite their research professors or the professors for which they are a GTA. Undergrads are encouraged to invite their favorite professor or a current professor. A personal invite is **REQUIRED** (i.e. actually go invite the professor in person and give them the invitation letter). The professor invitation will be available in a box on the HKN door. **Make sure to write the name professor you are inviting on the form outside the HKN office door or at this meeting.** The professors need to be invited by **Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup>** in order to give them time to RSVP.

## ***Lab set packaging***

Each candidate is required to attend the lab set packaging party in Van Leer on **Tuesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2007** at 7:00 pm. Pizza will be provided before the packaging time. This is a good time to get to know your fellow initiates. Exact location will be e-mailed out prior to the event.

## ***Attn: Coops and students who can't make the Candidate Info Session***

Please stay in contact with Shardul Bhatia, the HKN Corresponding Secretary, to be sure you have turned in all initiation materials. Shardul will keep you posted on upcoming meetings/dates and will let you know if you are missing a part of the initiation requirements. Please contact him at [\*\*shardul@gatech.edu\*\*](mailto:shardul@gatech.edu) for any questions.

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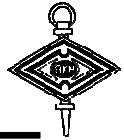
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## **Things to Do/Turn-in**

- By **Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup>** complete the following
  - Turn in **Dues** (\$90 + guest fee) to the HKN office (consult the posted HKN office hours)
  - Fill out the **Information Sheet** online at <http://cyberbuzz.gatech.edu/hkn/join>
- By **Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup>** complete the following
  - Hand deliver **Professor Invitation** for the Initiation Banquet
  - Fill out the service project form online by **Tuesday, November 20<sup>th</sup>**
  - Polish bridge (optional)

## **Dates to Remember**

- Tuesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00pm**
  - Bridge Polishing Party
- Tuesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 pm**
  - Lab Set Packaging Party
- Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup>**
  - Mandatory** Initiation Banquet **7:30pm** (business attire)

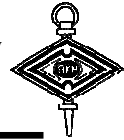
## **Questions?...Comments?...Concerns?**

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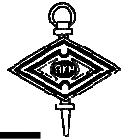
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***Service Project Verification Sheet (Please PRINT Legibly!)***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Service Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Performed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact (person who can verify  
service performed): \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact's phone number/email: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of service performed: