



Society of Women Engineers



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TUESDAY 15 FEBRUARY 1205-1345

DEPARTMENT OF SYSTEMS ENGINEERING CONFERENCE ROOM MAHAN HALL 415

RSVP NLT 1200 hrs on Thursday 10 February to the CICs:

CDT Emeline Hood (emeline.hood@usma.edu) & Jessica Davis (jessica.davis@usma.edu)

Ms. Connie Duckworth

Founded ARZU Inc., in 2004 and serves pro bono as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. ARZU, which means "hope" in Dari, is an innovative model of social entrepreneurship that empowers Afghan women weavers, their families, and their communities break the cycle of poverty by sourcing and selling rugs. This provides a steady income and access to education and healthcare. While structured as a 501(c)(3) in the United States and an international NGO in Afghanistan, ARZU operates as a "for-benefit" corporation, using private sector practices to create jobs in desperately poor rural villages where little opportunity exists.

- Retired Partner and Managing Director of Goldman, Sachs, & Co., where she was named the first woman sales and trading partner in the firm's history.
- Past Chair of "Committee of 200" – the organization of leading women entrepreneurs and corporate business executives in the U.S – and joined the U.S. – Afghan Women's Council.
- Awarded the 2008 Skoll Foundation honoree for Social Entrepreneurship
- Serves on the Board of Overseers of the Wharton School
- University of Pennsylvania – The Wharton School (M.B.A)
- University of Texas (B.A.)

<http://www.arzustudiohope.org/>



OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

February: Chief of Engineer Personnel Proponency Office (EEPO) - LTC Diane Cummins-Lefler

26 March: SWE New England Regional Conference Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute - RPI (Troy, NY)

28-29 March: Leaders in Science and Engineering Symposium: The Women of MIT <http://mit150.mit.edu/symposia/women-of-MIT>

Potential Guest Speakers: Prof Debbie Nightingale & Prof Donna Rhodes (MIT), K.T. McFarland (Fox News)

Potential Trips/Events: STEM Outreach activities with the Center for Leadership and Diversity in STEM (June 2011 – Texas); West Point Bridge Design Competition (Jan-Feb 2011), International Conference for Women Engineers and Scientists (July 2011 – Australia)

****Contact the OICs/CICs if you have any ideas for trips, events, and/or guest speakers.****

****If you are interested in any of the following positions – CICs, membership, website management, trip coordinator, event coordinator, STEM liaison – let the OICs/CICs know ASAP****

OICs: MAJ Kristina Richardson (DSE MH414) & MAJ Margaret Nowicki (CME MH209) for details