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## De la Oficina del Presidente



*Hola, SHPE. en LM Aero familia.* Welcome to the new 2011-2012 year. I would like to take this opportunity to give a sincere appreciation for all the support that each of you have given me to serve as your chapter president. I look forward to serving as your chapter president and seeing you at several of the upcoming events in the future of SHPE at LM Aero.

The SHPE at LM Aero professional chapter has built an established reputation and identity since its inception in 2002 as one of the best professional organizations at Lockheed Martin, the nation, and within the Fort Worth Community while picking up numerous Regional and National awards along the journey. In my role as president, I plan on continuing all of the programs that have made this organization what it is today as well as continuing to grow SHPE at LM Aero.

I am a talented technical leader with an enthusiastic board of directors with me that is prepared to successfully conduct all of the operations within the SHPE at LM Aero chapter. We have held our leadership retreat shortly after being elected in June to plan out our strategy, assess our vision and mission statements, and set chapter goals and objectives for the 2011-2012 SHPE membership year.

We have a packed year planned full of lots of activities that span three primary areas including community outreach, professional development, and networking/events.

I encourage all of you to join or renew your membership today and attend at least one SHPE at LM Aero sponsored event this year. I guarantee you will learn something new, expand your network, or find a new passion. One of the best ways to increase the value of your membership is to get involved with your chapter activities.

The board of director meetings typically is held on the First Tuesday of every month during lunch centrally located around Building 200. The board of director meetings is where your board of director officers meets to discuss and plan out upcoming events and resolve current issues. These are not closed sessions, and everyone is welcome to attend at his or her leisure. We also hold general meetings at least once per quarter that are open to the chapter general membership where you can come and get a flow-down of information on upcoming activities, and we also generally like to try and include one leadership development topic or invite a keynote speaker.

The early-bird registration deadline of July to attend the largest Hispanic technical conference in the nation is rapidly approaching. Don't miss the opportunity to catch the dream of a lifetime at the SHPE National Conference in Anaheim, CA on October 26-30, 2011. To register, visit [OneSHPE](http://OneSHPE) at [www.shpe.org/oneshpe](http://www.shpe.org/oneshpe). You must be a registered SHPE member to attend. Contact your VP of Professional Development, Karla Roviroso, for more information.

Lastly, I welcome you in congratulating myself and all of my board of director officers on their huge commitment to SHPE and dedication to serve each of you within the chapter. Best of luck to us all on another successful year with the potential to be recognized at the 2012 SHPE National Conference in Fort Worth, Texas.