



Northern Lights Chapter # 370

The Northern Lights

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SME Northern Lights Chapter 370 proudly presents

Hi-Tech Market Diversification: a Local Entrepreneur's Perspective

Presented by Randy Marsden
(<http://www.madentec.com/>)

Randy will share the history of the journey that has taken him from an undergraduate lab project at University to the President of a world-leading computer input technology company. Originally intended to help a friend with a disability, technology developed by Randy and his Engineering team has found wide-ranging applicability in several fields, including dentistry, healthcare, and manufacturing technology. Randy will demonstrate interesting technology such as a head-tracking mouse replacement, a glass keyboard, a wireless foot switch, and the on-screen keyboard included in Windows that was licensed from Randy's company by Microsoft. Randy will also share some of the interesting turns his business has experienced over its 18 year history.

About Our Speaker:

Randy graduated from the University of Alberta in 1989 with a Bachelor's Degree in Electrical Engineering. While attending school, he worked on a project to help a friend who had been left paralyzed in a gymnastics accident. Therein, he found his life's work and founded his company 6 months before graduating, to pursue alternative computer input solutions for people with disabilities.

Over the years, Randy's company has found many other potential markets for its technology, including computing interfaces in the fields of dentistry, healthcare, and manufacturing technology.

Learn more about Randy Marsden on our website (<http://chapters.sme.org/c370/>).

WHERE TO GO!

University Faculty Club
11435 Saskatchewan Drive

Wednesday, October 10, 2007

Social Hour: 5:30 to 6:30 pm
Dinner: 6:30 to 7:30 pm
Presentation: 7:30 pm

COST: \$20 members
\$25 guests
\$10 student members
\$15 student guests

Member pricing is always extended to members of other technical societies such as ASM, AWS, CWA, NACE, CSME, ASME, etc.

Please RSVP by the end of the day **Monday, October 8, 2007**

RSVP Online for our event at

<http://maillists.bijouenhancements.com/sme/>

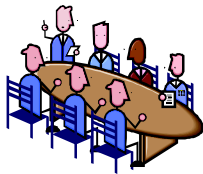
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The SME Northern Lights Chapter normally holds technical meetings on the second Wednesday of each month except for the month of July and August.

REMEMBER...

Students and student members that attend the SME dinner meeting have a chance to win a FREE dinner drawn at the end of the meeting.

Northern Lights Chapter Executive 2007



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Thank you...

for reading the Northern Lights. If you are interested in presenting at an SME dinner, please contact Dave Budney, drbudney@shaw.ca.

Call for Nominations! Enjoy the activities brought to you by the Northern Lights? Have your own ideas you would like to see happen with the chapter? Then join the 2008 Chapter Executive. There are still positions to be filled.

If interested please contact Curt Stout (curt.stout@ualberta.ca) for the available positions. See you in the new year

Looking for a job related to manufacturing? View our online job postings at the bottom of our website. (<http://chapters.sme.org/c370/>)

We invite you to the

**Northern Lights Chapter 370
Membership Drive BBQ 2007**

**October 17th
from 11:30 am - 1:00 pm
(this is a rain or shine event)**

- Come and enjoy FREE BEEF ON A BUN and learn about how SME can enhance your manufacturing career!

The BBQ will be held at RAM Manufacturing (10203 - 184 St)

RSVP by 12 noon on
Friday October 12th.
Contact Jason Shewchuk
at 984-3186, or by email at
smenlc@yahoo.ca

Additional Details Can Be found on our website

Remember to keep SME information current

- We do not wish any of our members or friends to miss a newsletter. Please make sure to inform the newsletter editor of any changes to your email or employment address.

- If you have any newsworthy stories or information, we would be pleased to include it in our newsletter, subject to editorial approval.

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