



# Upsilon Pi Epsilon

Honor Society for the Computing Sciences

## UPE NEWSBRIEF

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**2010 UPE Annual Convention** – The Upsilon Pi Epsilon Annual Convention will be held in conjunction with the 2010 ACM SIGCSE Symposium. UPE members are invited to attend this event and meet friends and colleagues from several of our chapters in North America and overseas. Convention details are shown below.

Event: **2010 UPE Annual Convention**  
Date & Time: Friday, March 12, 2010, 11:45 AM to 1:30 PM  
Location: Milwaukee Convention Center, Room 102DE  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Convention participants will include the international officers of UPE, chapter representatives and advisers, and friends of UPE from the various colleges and universities who are active participants of the 2010 SIGCSE Conference. Additional information on the SIGCSE Symposium can be obtained from the web address shown below.

<http://sigcse.org/sigcse2010/attendees/>

*UPE Convention highlights will include the following:*

- \* **Presentation of the ABACUS Award** – The UPE ABACUS Award is presented to the individual who has gained renown in the computing field and who, over several years, has provided extensive support and leadership for student-related activities in the computing and information disciplines. The 2010 ABACUS Award will be presented to **Dr. Nell B. Dale**, an ACM Fellow from the University of Texas at Austin. As part of this award, Dr. Dale will make a brief speech at the UPE Convention.
- **Chapter reports** – Chapter Advisors or student representatives who plan to attend the UPE Convention are encouraged to make a brief (about 3 minutes) report on their chapter activities and/or accomplishments during the past year. Due to a time constraint, UPE can only accept the first 12 report submissions. All report submissions will be acknowledged by UPE (and UPE will state if the report will be part of the Convention presentation). The full text of the chapter report must be sent via email to [upe@acm.org](mailto:upe@acm.org) no later than February 20, 2010. UPE will present a \$100 cash award to each presenter.
- **Participate in the election of a new UPE Executive Council member** – Council Member election will take place at the conclusion of the 2010 UPE Convention. The UPE Constitution specifies that each active chapter can have one voting representative at this Convention. Executive Council candidates are expected to be present at the Convention and each is expected to make a brief speech prior to the balloting process. More details on Executive Council membership can be found on the back page.

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**Complimentary Student Membership in the ACM** – ACM provides free student memberships only to those who are registered members of UPE. In the past, a large number of “hackers” attempted to obtain this ACM benefit via the ACM student membership website. To minimize this problem, ACM eliminated the automated web registration of UPE student members. UPE members are now required to submit their request for student memberships via email to [orders@acm.org](mailto:orders@acm.org). Each submission must include the student’s full name, UPE 15-character member number, address, phone number, email address, gender & age, institution (chapter) name, expected degree title/field of study and expected year of graduation.

**Vacancy in the Executive Council** - There will be one vacancy in the UPE Executive Council. Council members serve a five-year term of office and are elected by chapter representatives at the annual convention of UPE. The new council member begins her/his term immediately after the 2010 Convention. The elected council member serves without pay, but may be reimbursed for UPE-related expenses including travel to council meetings and voluntary participation in UPE-related activities.

The Council candidate must come from an institution that has an active chapter of UPE and must show that she/he is an active member of UPE. Each candidate must submit a letter of interest in this position along with a copy of her/his detailed resume. Copies (pdf files) of these documents can be sent to [upe@acm.org](mailto:upe@acm.org) and must be received no later than February 15, 2010. UPE will acknowledge the receipt of each application.

Additional information on UPE Executive Council membership can be found in the UPE Constitution. You can also send related questions to the Executive Director at [upe@acm.org](mailto:upe@acm.org) or to the other members of the UPE Executive Council.

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