

AIChE is 100!



And We're Celebrating in Chicago

Come Celebrate with us on Wednesday March 26 at the Hyatt Regency Riverwalk - 151 East Wacker Drive

On June 22, 1908, 19 men working in what was then a new and emerging discipline - chemical engineering - met at the Engineers' Club in Philadelphia and founded the American Institute of Chemical Engineers.

Event Schedule

5:30-6:30 Reception in the Plaza Foyer
6:30-7:45 Dinner in the Plaza Ballroom
7:45-8:30 Presentation by **David A. Sykuta**
Executive Director - Illinois Petroleum Council

Dinner

Bibb and Spinach Lettuce Salad
Choice of Beef, Salmon, or Vegetable Entrée
Mixed vegetables, Bread, Potatoes
Ginger Cream Brulee with Berries

Topic: **Understanding the Politics of Biofuels and our Energy Future**

8:30-8:45 *The History of AIChE*

Cost: **Members-\$45 Non-Members-\$50 Students-\$10 Retired or Unemployed - \$20**

4 Hr Parking: Valet parking at the Hyatt - \$25 One Illinois Center - \$25 Two Illinois Center - \$17
(all near Hyatt) Three Illinois Center - \$20 Prudential Plaza Parking - \$22

David A. Sykuta

David Sykuta has lived and worked in Illinois all his life. He went to Rich Central High School, received his BS degree from Illinois State University and attended graduate school at the University of Illinois. In his early career he was an intern for Illinois Senate, was a consultant for the Senate Republican staff, and was active in several state campaigns. In 1976 he began working with the Illinois Petroleum Council as an associate director. His first years with the council were devoted to media relations and public relations. In 1978, he shifted his primary emphasis to lobbying at the state level and in 1982, his role was expanded to include lobbying at the federal level. On January 1, 1986, Mr. Sykuta was appointed executive director of the Illinois Petroleum Council. In 1996 he co-founded the Partnership for Environmental Progress which is a coalition of over 80 businesses, labor unions, agricultural groups, trade associations, corporations, and scientific groups who's goals are cleaner environment, economic growth and sound public policies. He also served on the Illinois Environmental and Regulatory review Commission. His expertise on oil energy and environmental issues has resulted in him being a commentator in local and national media including: Fox News, CNN, WGN, ABC, CBS, PBS' Chicago Tonite along with numerous print and electronic media.