



Mechanical Engineering
Academy of Distinguished Alumni

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Honorary Mechanical Engineer, 2008

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Mr. Benson has been with Schlumberger Limited since June of 1981. He began his career as a Field Engineer working in several of Schlumberger's drilling site technology centers. He has worked his way through the engineering positions and product development management positions to the position of Mechanical Metier Manager, one of the highest technical positions within Schlumberger. Walt's current responsibilities as Mechanical Métier for SPC include: recruiting, staffing exempt and non-exempt engineering positions, Metier-specific technical training in ADVANCE, coaching and mentoring all levels of the Schlumberger engineering community, university relations, and working on Global Metier objectives.

Walt's core values are hard work, knowing his business, being creative, being honest, being efficient, and having fun doing it. These values have made Walt a leader in the fields of Mechanical Engineering and Information Management. Walt strives to produce excellent products through recruiting the best people and providing the best training, work experience, and easy access to engineering knowledge.

Although Walt didn't earn his Mechanical Engineering degree from The University of Texas at Austin, his tireless support for quality recruitment and the support of engineering education continue to contribute to our department's success. Walt has been a champion of the Department of Mechanical Engineering at The University of Texas at Austin, and especially our students, serving on our External Advisory Committee and being a strong supporter of our Senior Design Projects Program. Walt Benson is a most obvious recipient of our Honorary Mechanical Engineer award.

When Walt is not busy working, he enjoys spending time with his family, shooting sports (Sporting Clays, Cowboy, Black Powder Cartridge), hunting (big game and birds) and motorcycles.