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Our next SBE Chapter 80 meeting will be Tuesday February 17th at the Out-O-Town Club in Kaukauna at noon. Our Speaker will be Jeff Feldt and Mike Penderson of Kaukauna Electric and Water

Chairman's Corner

Hello everyone, members and guests are welcome at our next Chapter 80 meeting and facilities tour to be held on Tuesday, February 17th. We will meet at Out O' Town Club in Kaukauna for 12:00 noon lunch, after which we will welcome Mr. Jeff Feldt and Mr. Mike Pedersen of Kaukauna Electric and Water who will provide a power point presentation on hydropower generation. We will then proceed to the KEW power station on Island Street for a tour of both old and new hydro plants. Our last meeting was on January 20th, where we enjoyed a great presentation by Mr. Harvey Arnold of Sinclair Broadcasting.

Please visit our Chapter 80 website www.sbe80.org for more items of regional interest.

Regards, Steve Konopka

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Turn left onto E Frontage Rd

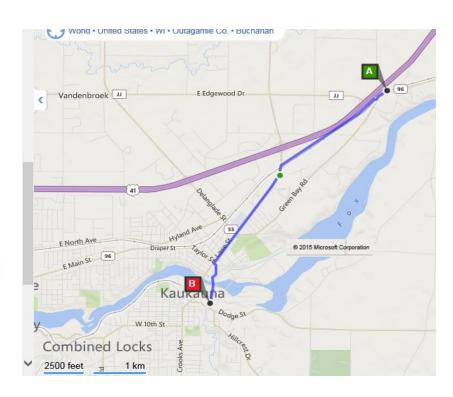
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1.1 mi Keep straight onto WI-55 / WI-96 / Lawe St

0.5 mi
 Turn left onto Catherine St
 McDonald's on the comer

Road name changes to Island St

0.2 mi
Arrive at 777 Island Street · Po
Box 1777 ·, Kaukauna, WI
The last intersection is Maple St
If you reach Dodge St / CR-Z, you've gone





Area during construction (google maps)



The intake side.. (these are KU pictures from the open house I attended last year)



The intake side now.



This whole works is under the floor of the power house



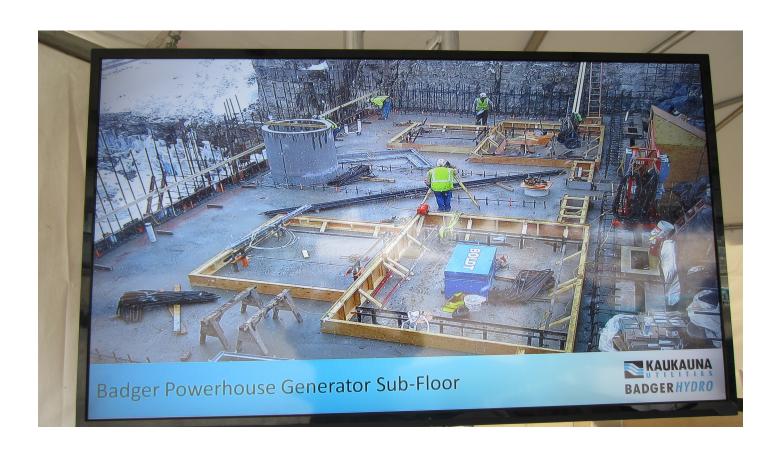
Under a LOT of concrete...



Pouring concrete 1 of 3..



2 of 3...



3 of 3...



It was off during the open house I attended last year.. (dd)

Certification Application Deadlines Approaching

2015 EXAM SESSION APPLICATION DEADLINE

 June 5-15
 April, 10, 2015

 August 7-17
 June 5, 2015

 November 6-16
 October 2, 2015

If you have any questions contact the Certification Director, Megan Clappe.

Click <u>HERE</u> for the certification applications. If you have any questions contact the Certification Director, <u>Megan Clappe</u>.

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SBE Files FCC Comments on Wireless Mic and Lower-Power Auxiliary Service Devices Spectrum

The Society of Broadcast Engineers, the Association for Broadcast and Multimedia Technology Professionals, filed comments on February 4 with the Federal Communications Commission to GN Docket 14-166 and GN 12-268, noting the importance of preserving broadcasters' long-term usage of wireless microphones and low-power auxiliary service devices. In a series of actions, the FCC has increasingly restricted available UHF TV spectrum that has been used for the wireless purposes. In its filing, the SBE urges the FCC to explore and authorize replacement or additional spectrum for broadcasters and media producers.

The SBE highlighted the various FCC rulings, including elimination of the 700MHz band for wireless mics and over-the-air use, that have adversely affected the available spectrum. Further, the addition of TV white-space devices, most of which are unlicensed, has packed more users into an increasingly smaller available spectrum. And while the FCC has relaxed wireless mic usage restrictions for broadcasters, it is insufficient. In addition, the FCC has issued a series of rulings that have further affected available spectrum, including a spectrum auction in the 600MHz band.

The FCC has sought comments on a variety of possible replacement bands, but the SBE points out that these proposals all have significant shortcomings for broadcast use. Further, any action to authorize spectrum must be allocated with a long-term view. Equipment users cannot afford to constantly buy or update, when an update is possible, the necessary equipment to use the spectrum.

SBE President Joe Snelson, CPBE, 8-VSB, says, "The main point of the SBE filing is to suggest that at least 12MHz of spectrum, and ideally 24MHz of spectrum, should be allocated and protected for wireless mic and low-power auxiliary service devices in the UHF TV spectrum."

The SBE filing is available on the SBE website under the Legislative/Advocacy menu.

Missed the Free SBE HD Radio Webinar? Watch it On-demand!

If you weren't able to attend the SBE webinar, "HD Radio Advancement and Trends," presented by Alan Jurison, you can access the archived version. More than 150 people attended it live, presented free to SBE members, thanks to the support from iBiquity Digital. Access the webinar at the SBE website. All SBE webinars are recorded, archived and available for viewing, 24/7/365.

Missed "Chief Operator Responsibilities - What should I be doing" Webinar? Watch it Online!

Weren't able to attend the SBE webinar, "Chief Operator Responsibilities - What should I be doing" by Dennis Baldridge? No problem! 100 people attended the live version and now it is available on-demand. Register at the SBE website. All SBE webinars are recorded, archived and available for viewing, 24/7/365.

Discounted NAB Show registration rate available to SBE members



The 2015 NAB Show in Las Vegas is not far off. The annual event, the largest media industry event in the world, runs April 11 through the 16. Members of the SBE who do not have the NAB member rate available to them may register for the event at a \$100 discount off the non-NAB member rate. Use the special discount code, SD02. You can also go directly to the NAB Show registration page and the

code is already embedded in the link. The code is good for \$100 off Flex or SMART pass non-member registration, or a free Expo-Only registration. After March 27, 2015, the NAB will include a processing fee of \$25 with all registrations that use the discount code.

WPR's 2015 EAS Schedule

DAY	DATE	TIME	COMMENT					
W R M M	16 Feb	2350 1459 1059 1259	Routine	Monthly	Test	initiated	by	WEM
W R M T	4 Mar 12 Mar 16 Mar 24 Mar	1059 1459	Routine	Monthly	Test	initiated	by	NOAA
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W R M T	14 May 18 May	0850 1059 1259 1459	Routine	Monthly	Test	initiated	by	NOAA
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