

The Society of Broadcast Engineers

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<u>July 2013</u>

The next meeting of SBE chapter 80 will be our annual site picnic at WXMM near Chilton at noon July 16th. Thanks to Steve and Evan. Be sure to RSVP-see below. Maps on the next page

Program Chairman's Corner

Despite the late spring, we have finally arrived at summer in NE Wisconsin and that means it is picnic time! The annual SBE Chapter 80 picnic is coming up on our usual meeting day, the third Tuesday of this month. That date is July 16th and the picnic starts at our usual meeting time, noon. The location this year is at one of Steve Brown and Evan Stanek's TX sites near Chilton and the specific directions will be coming soon. A tour of the TX site is available courtesy of Evan.

This year's summer weather pattern is very different from the high heat we had last year so with any luck the weather will be perfect for getting together and hoisting a burger or brat. Once again I am coordinating with others to make sure we have everything we need. If you want to bring anything like a side dish, dessert or anything you like to see at picnics, just let me know. We are looking for a source of tables chairs so if you have an idea of where we could find those, let me know too. Getting them to and from the picnic site can be arranged.

Finally, let me know if you can make it so we can plan accordingly. The cover charge for the picnic has traditionally been \$5 per person which doesn't quite cover the cost of supplies but comes pretty close. We have more members from the Appleton area so this year's picnic location should make it easier for them to make it. You can reach me by replying to this email or by calling (920)893-6748 during the day or (920)893-9592 in the evening.

Thanks, and I hope to see you in a couple of weeks at the picnic. Happy Fourth of July! John

The picnic time is getting close and I have yet to hear from a number of you so please RSVP so we know how much food, water and soda to bring. Thanks to those who have responded.

Here are the directions to next Tuesday's SBE picnic site. It is being held at the WXMM transmitter site on Cty E near Chilton. From the Fox Valley take hwy 57 about eight miles south of Forest Junction to Cty Hwy E. If you get to Chilton you have gone two miles too far south. Take Cty Hwy E West towards Lake Winnebago until you see the tower on the south side of the road. If you get as far as Stockbridge you have, again, gone two miles too far. There is limited parking in the driveway so some folks may have to CAREFULLY park on Cty Hwy E itself.

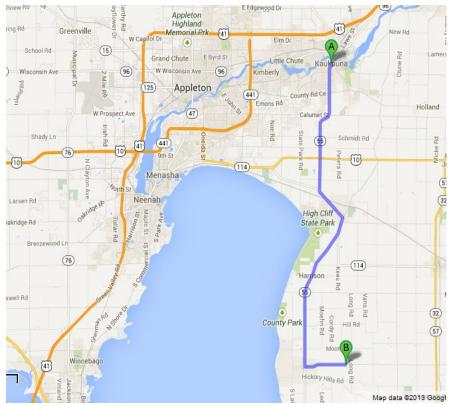
The parking has now gotten even scarcer because joining us at the picnic will be the Orban Mobile Broadcast Lab (MBL). It has been touring the country and happened to be in the Milwaukee/Chicago markets next week. They graciously volunteered to drive it up to our picnic site to show us the latest Orban technology. You can see more about the MBL at this website: http://orban.com/mbl/. Manning the MBL is Jay Brentlinger, the owner and president of the company and David Rusch, the Director of Sales and Marketing. They are arriving around 11:00AM and it should be an interesting tour for anyone interested in their latest audio products. Thanks to Mark Heller for pointing out this opportunity.

I will send out one more notice as the time gets closer but make sure to check in with me to ensure we get an accurate attendance number. Spouses and significant others are also invited.

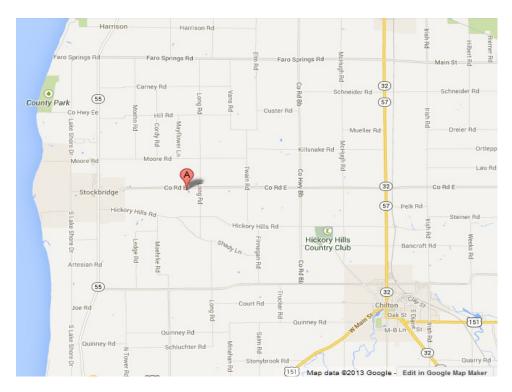
Thanks, John Pfankuch Future Events:

July: Summer picnic

August & September: TBA October: Broadcasters Clinic



This route shows the highway 55 exit from 41 north of Kaukauna



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SBE Engineer of the Year

Folks:

Just wanted you to see the 12 national finalists for SBE Engineer of the Year.

If your Chapter did NOT participate, this year.... I encourage you, to look forward to next year!

Note: We did not have any entries from Chicago, Madison, Milwaukee, Los Angeles, Indianapolis or Michigan

Winners selected by local chapters include the following: Chapter 5, Atlanta, Ga. - William Magliocco, CPBE, 8-VSB. CBNT

Chapter 9, Phoenix, Az. - Ralph Hogan, CPBE, DRB, CBNE

Chapter 15, New York, N.Y. - Conrad Trautmann, CPBE Chapter 17, Minneapolis, Minn. - Donald Heppelmann, CBNT

Chapter 36, San Diego, Calif. - Gary Stigall, CPBE

Chapter 38, El Paso, Texas - Warren Reeves

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Chapter 80, Fox Valley, Wis. - William Hubbard, CPBE, CBNT

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SBE RF Safety Webinar July 24

The SBE is presenting a live webinar on RF Safety, Wednesday, July 24 from 1:30 to 4:45 pm ET. The SBE RF Safety Course has been updated and provides an overview of RF radiation issues and practices for broadcasters, including:

- NEW! Proving compliance at a broadcast site
- Biological effects of RF radiation and the distinct differences between RF radiation and ionizing radiation
- FCC and OSHA regulations what they are and what you need to do to comply
- Workplace hazards
- 5 Transmitter sites
- **5** SNG and ENG trucks
- (5) Remote operations (where news personnel can find problems such as on rooftops)
- 5 The unique issues at AM stations
- S RF hazard protection equipment you may not need it but your contractors probably will
- Signs what they mean and what you need

The course is designed for broadcast station personnel, including chief and assistant chief engineers, transmitter site engineers, ENG and SNG maintenance personnel and management that

need to have an understanding of RF safety issues and

regulations.

Instructing the course is noted RF safety expert, Richard Strickland of RF Safety Solutions. Strickland founded RF Safety Solutions in 2001 after ten years as Director of Business Development for



Narda Safety Test Solutions, the world's leading supplier of RF safety measurement and monitoring products. Strickland holds an MBA from the University of Massachusetts and a B.A. in Physics from Bridgewater College. He has had more than 50 articles published on RF safety, high-power amplifiers and radomes and has conducted more than 400 public and in-house training courses on RF safety and measurement.

Completion of this SBE webinar qualifies for one credit, identified under Category I of the Recertification Schedule for SBE certifications.

Cost for members of the SBE is \$95. The cost for non-members is \$150. **Register at the SBE** website.

Register by July 30 for SBE Leadership Development Course

Those wishing to participate in the SBE Leadership development Course must register no later than July 30. **Registration** may be completed on the SBE website. The three-day course is being held in Atlanta, Ga. For **more information**, visit the Leadership Development Course page on the SBE website.

Broadcasters Clinic

Good Afternoon!

To quote our Clinic Chair, Leonard Charles," Before you light the fire crackers take a look at the final sizzling agenda for our 2013 Broadcasters Clinic". It's going to be a great Clinic this year!"

Early Bird registration will be available on line at: www.wi-broadcasters.org beginning today. Deadline for Early registration discounts will be August 15th.

If you know of anyone who might like assistance to attend the Broadcasters Clinic, please keep in mind the Borchert Fellowship which is sponsored by the SBE Chapters in Wisconsin.

We look forward to seeing you at the Clinic.

"Have a great 4th of July, enjoy the day off with family, friend, dog, cat...."

Linda Baun Vice President

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Recruitment drive nets 53 new members

The annual SBE Membership Drive ended on May 31 with 53 new members joining the SBE through the efforts of member-sponsors. An additional 127 new members joined the SBE during the three month campaign that began March 1 for a total of 180 new members.



Jerry Massey, CPBE, 8-VSB, AMD, DRB, CBNT, winner of the grand prize

Members Drive prizes, donated by the SBE, its suppliers and several Sustaining Member companies, have been awarded based on a drawing among new-member sponsors. Winner of the grand prize, a trip to the SBE National Meeting in Indianapolis, Ind., October 29-30, 2013, is Jerry Massey, CPBE, 8-VSB, AMD, DRB, CBNT of Greenville, S.C. Jerry is chairman of Chapter 86 and works for Entercom Communications.

The grand prize includes round trip airfare for one from within the continental US to Indianapolis, admission to all SBE National Meeting events and the Broadcast Engineering/IT Conference, presented by the host organization, the Indiana Broadcasters Association. The prize also includes two nights stay at the Sheraton Indianapolis at Keystone Crossing Hotel.

host hotel for the national meeting.

For a complete list of prize winners and what they've won, visit the SBE website.

SBE Education round-up

SBE RF Safety Course coming July 24



The SBE is offering its RF Safety Course, presented by Richard Strickland of RF Safety Solutions, on Wednesday, July 24 beginning at 1:30 pm ET. The three-hour and 15 minute webinar is designed for broadcast station personnel, including chief and assistant chief engineers, transmitter site engineers, ENG and SNG maintenance personnel and management that need to have an understanding of RF safety issues and regulations. Specific topics include how to prove compliance at a broadcast site, the biological effects of RF radiation, the distinct differences between RF radiation and ionizing radiation, FCC and OSHA regulations and more. For more information and to register, see the RF Safety Course page at the SBE website.

Sign up for SBE Leadership Development Course

Deadline to register for the three-day SBE Leadership Development Course is July 30. The course is being held in Atlanta, Ga. on August 13-15. Don't wait! Take steps today to **register yourself or a colleague**.



Certification
Exam Dates Location
August 9-19, 2013 Local Chapters
November 1-11, 2013 Local Chapters

Application Deadline June 1, 2013 September 13, 2013

Application Form Don Borchert Broadcasters Clinic Fellowship

The Don Borchert Broadcasters Clinic Fellowship provides financial support to attend the BroadcastersClinic. The recipient(s) will be provided receipt reimbursements for Lodging and Food/Travel expenses.Registration to the Broadcasters Clinic will be provided complimentary by the Wisconsin BroadcastersAssociation. To apply fill out the form below and mail it to:

Don Borchert Broadcasters Clinic Fellowship Wisconsin Broadcasters Association 44 E. Mifflin Street, Suite 900

Madison, WI 53703

Name:	
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In the written statement below, please describe why you shoul	d be awarded this Fellowship.
Your app lication will be kept strictly confidential!	•
Signature:	















