

July 10th Meeting Information

Our next meeting is Tuesday July 10th at the WZIP studios, located on the University of Akron Campus, in Kolbe Hall room 320. (see map and directions on page 2) You can spot Kolbe hall as it has a grid microwave dish on the roof. Come on up to the 3rd floor in the elevator and the door is right there. While we are still working on the details of a program or presentation, our Chapter 70 Frequency Coordinator Jim Baird will give us any updates about the 600Mhz migration he may have after the NFL Frequency Coordinating meeting in Florida. We will email details of the program or presentation prior to the meeting, and post to the website, so watch for updates. Our host is John Knoblock, WZIP-FM / ZTV Chief Engineer and fellow SBE Chapter 70 member. He will give us a tour of the WZIP facilities he's updated since our last meeting there. We can also see the new Tricaster based HD TV Production studio used for student training, and which Fox 8 uses as their Akron home. Parking is 'free' in the lots shown on page 2 - they are for students/ staff, but open in the evening for us. Use the attached parking pass to insure there are no issues. The usual times apply; gather at 7pm with meeting at 7:30 and the program and tour to follow.

-John Hovanec, CSRE/CBNT,DRB,AMD SBE Chapter 70 Program Chair

(Directions to WZIP are on page 2; a pdf parking pass is attached)

CHAIRMAN'S <u>CHAT</u>

by Blake Thompson

Hello all members and friend of SBE Chapter 70. Welcome to the summer heat edition, I hope you all cleaned the AC filters at your



transmitter sites recently. Big chapter thanks go out to Gary Zoccolo and John Hovanec for hosting at the WJMO/WNCX/WQAL transmitter site again; always love the old school vibe out there. Think your site might make a good meeting place? Let our program chair, John Hovanec, know. We don't charge anything and only ask for a space with some chairs and maybe some cool tech... new or old.

In national news, the International Bureau of the FCC announced a 90-day extension, until October 17, 2018, to the filing window for fixed-satellite service (FSS) earth stations currently operating in the 3.7-4.2 GHz frequency band that we talked about in the last newsletter. You still have time to convince the \$ holders it's worth the fee to inform the FCC of your usage location and at least help protect your ability to receive the satellite signals.

The Society of Broadcast Engineers will bring the 54th SBE National Meeting to Danvers, MA, just outside of Boston, on October 2-3. The event will be held in conjunction with the Media Resource Expo (MRE), an annual New England regional exposition and educational event. The MRE includes a media equipment and services trade show and multiple technical sessions of interest to all media engineers, technicians, post-production, A/V and media IT professionals.

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CHAIRMAN'S CHAT (Continued from page 1)

The SBE also announced the Officer, Director Candidates for 2018 Election. The election will take place July 20 through August 22. Balloting will be via the election website, except for those members who have opted out of electronic voting this year or who have not provided the SBE national office with their email address. They will receive their ballots through the mail. More info at www.sbe.org

But wait there's one more thing! Plan ahead for next months meeting back at Penitentiary Glen where Frank Foti and Eastwind will host the August 14th picnic meeting. We'll be starting early to get in as many rides as we can before the meeting so watch for next month's newsletter! See you at WZIP!

Blake Thompson CBNT SBE Chapter 70 Chairman OAB ABIP Inspector BE SURE TO PRINT THE PARKING PASS ATTACHED TO THIS EMAIL

Directions to the Meeting at WZIP/The University of Akron

Many of you may recall how to get there from our meeting two years ago, but there are some construction issues which may impact your path. The main problem is work near the interchange of I-77/I-76/Rt. 8, with a long detour of I-77 bypassing the construction that you really shouldn't use. You can still use I-77 South to I-76 East through the construction zone to get to Route 8 north, with a left lane exit, but you can't go back that way. The exits from Rt. 8 heading back to I-76W/77N are closed. The easiest way now is via Rt. 8 heading north or south.

You should come down from the greater Cleveland area using I-271 or I-80 to get to Rt. 8 and head in that way. Get off at the Buchtel Ave./ Carroll St. exit (1A) and head west on Carroll St.

The parking lots are on the right before the circle, next to the James A. Rhodes Arena (JAR), and there are some meters on Carroll St. Kolbe Hall is 'behind' the JAR from the parking lots. You go west around either side of the JAR and Kolbe is right there with the microwave dish on the small roof tower. Come in the central main entry doors and take the elevator to the 3rd floor,. We'll have some signage to help you find it.











Weisinger Scholarship awarded

Streetsboro High School graduating senior and WSTB Operations Manager, Liam Salvage, was the recipient of this year's William P. Weisinger Scholarship. The \$500 scholarship is sponsored by Chapter 70 and presented to a graduating staff member of WSTB. Weisinger was Station Manager of WSTB and eventually the station's Chief Engineer during the period of 1975 until his passing in November 2010.

In the fall Liam will be attending The University of Akron majoring in electrical engineering. He also plans to work at WZIP. Liam is currently a student member of SBE Chapter 70 and the Assistant Chief Operator at 88.9/WSTB.

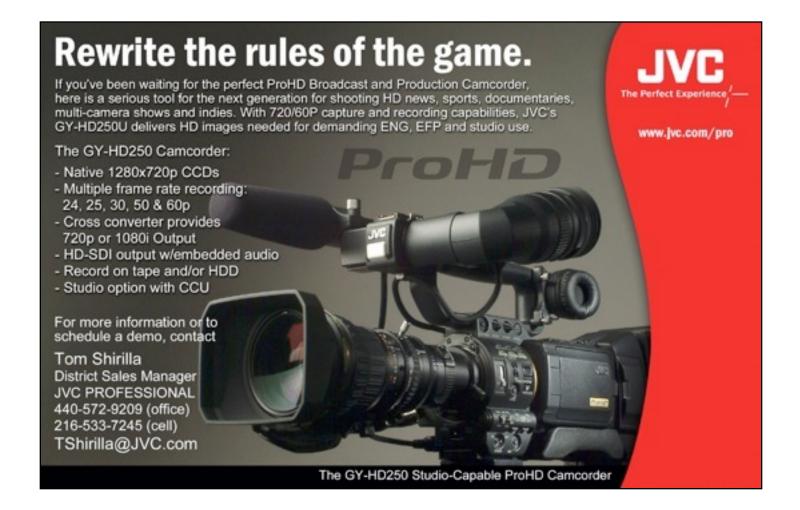
(Photo: Liam Salvage [left] is presented the William P. Weisinger Scholarship by WSTB General Manager Bob Long.)



SBE 2018 Certification Exam Schedule



Exam Dates	Location	Application Deadline
February 2-12, 2018	Local Chapters	December 31, 2017
April 10, 2018	Exams at the NAB	March 2, 2018
June 1-11, 2018	Local Chapters	April 20, 2018
August 3-13, 2018	Local Chapters	June 5, 2018
November 2-12, 2018	Local Chapters	September 24, 2018





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