SBE Chapter 70 Picnic and Elections Tuesday, August 8, 2023 Blueberry Railroad - 2663 West St. - Geneva, Ohio 44041 Gather 5pm, Meeting & Elections 7pm

AUGUST 8th MEETING INFO

Our next meeting is for our Annual Picnic and Elections! We will gather at the Blueberry Railroad, at 2663 West St., in Geneva, Ohio 44041. Our host, Frank Foti will be there with his new Steam Engine, George. The Blueberry Railroad is a 1/8th Scale Model Railroad that, weather and conditions permitting, Frank will again act as our Engineer in giving rides on the over 1-mile track. Frank will share information on the new Engine he has recently acquired. Since George resides at the Blueberry Railroad, it is better to visit here rather than Penitentiary Glen, and offers us a change of scenery as well as a new track and engine to enjoy. Frank tells me East Wind is on 'standby' however. As we all know, an Engineer always likes to have a backup.

I plan to man the grill as we will have, weather permitting, burgers, hotdogs, potato salad and snacks, and possibly cookies or some sort of sweets as well as refreshments. Please RSVP to me if you can, so we have an approximate headcount for food. If you end up not making it or forget, no worries, just so we get some idea.

Since the location is a bit further east than typical, please allow time for travel. You may want to consider car-pooling.

Gathering time is 5pm, to allow plenty of time for socializing and train rides, or for those running later. The SBE Chapter 70 meeting and Elections will be about 7pm, with the plan to wrap up by 7:30 to allow time to get home at a reasonable time during daylight hours.

There is a building to hold our meeting should we have a 'rain out' but we hope to have good weather. The menu

CHAIRMAN'S CHAT

Hello all members and friends of SBE Chapter 70. First we want to thank Jim Georgiades, with an assist from Al & Brian Warmus, for the great program on the WHKW 1220 transmitter move and antenna system rebuild. Everyone did a fantastic job on a high-power directional AM facility, which seems a rarity now. We all



had great fun checking out the details in the field. Kudos to Jimmy, and his bosses at Salem for investing in their transmission system.

In National news the Society of Broadcast Engineers announced this year's award winners. The Robert W. Flanders SBE Engineer of the Year award is presented to a member who has excelled in his or her career while furthering the mission of the SBE. The 2023 recipient is Joseph Conlon of Inver Grove Heights, MN, and a current member of SBE Chapter 17 Central Minnesota.

The James C. Wulliman SBE Educator of the Year

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award recognizes outstanding service and excellence in sharing knowledge through teaching other broadcast engineers. The 2023 recipient is Andrew Gladding, CBT, of Brooklyn, NY, and a member of SBE Chapter 15 New York City.

All the winners will be recognized at the SBE Awards Dinner to be held on September 28 during the SBE National Meeting, held in conjunction with the Midwest Broadcast & Multimedia Technology Conference in Columbus, OH. The registration for the MBMTC is now open! Go to - https://mbmtc.oab.org/registration/

Upcoming webinars from the SBE: Proof of Performance for the Broadcast Network on July 27, 2023 at 2 p.m. ET Cybersecurity remains a challenge and a priority for the broadcast engineer with IT responsibility. Protecting the broadcast infrastructure against cyber threats becomes more challenging each year

HD Radio Monitoring: *What Has Been Done and What Can Be Done With Modern Monitoring Equipment* on Thursday, August 17, 2023 at 2 p.m. ET This webinar will discuss "best practices" for connecting HD Radio equipment, along with describing the advancements in HD Radio monitoring.

For more info see - https://sbe.org/education/webinars-by-sbe/

Blake E. Thompson CBNT BET Broadcast Engineering SBE Chapter 70 Chairman OAB/MAB/WVBA ABIP Inspector

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may be somewhat modified if we hold indoors, but regardless, plan on joining us either way if you can. It is recommended that you bring a lawn chair, as I am not sure of the actual seating-to-attendance at this point. You may not need it, but plan accordingly.

More information about the Blueberry Railroad can be found at their website, <u>www.blueberryrailroad.com</u> Also check out the Blueberry Railroad on Facebook for photos and other events there.

Please RSVP if you can so we have an estimated idea for food: <u>john.hovanec@audacy.com</u>, or any questions. We will send out a reminder email next week, as well as the week of the Picnic.

Hope to see you there! John Hovanec, CSRE/CBNT,DRB, AMD SBE Chapter 70 Program Chair



DIRECTIONS TO THE BLUEBERRY RAILROAD



- 1. Take I-90 to the Ohio Rt-534 exit.
- 2. Head north to Ohio Rt-84, turn left.
- 3. Proceed about a mile to West St, and turn right.
- 4. Cross the first set of railroad tracks.
- 5. The Blueberry Railroad will be on the left.
- 6. Parking is in front of the building; the meeting area will be in back.

NOTE: The street view of the house is a little misleading. Look for a parking lot in front of a building just past the railroad tracks on the left, if coming up West St. from the south, per the driving directions.

The Blueberry Railroad is located at 2663 West St. Geneva, OH 44041 It is only a few minutes off route 90 in Geneva.



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SBE 2023 Certification Exam Schedule



| Exam Dates | Location | Application Deadline |
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| February 3-13, 2023 | Local Chapters | Past Deadline |
| June 1-12, 2023 | Local Chapters | Past Deadline |
| August 4-14, 2023 | Local Chapters | Past Deadline |
| November 3-13, 2023 | Local Chapters | September 8, 2023 |
| February 3-13, 2023 | Local Chapters | January 6, 2023 |





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