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Chairman's Chat

by Blake Thompson

Hello all. Chapter thanks go out to Ron Bartlebaugh, Bob Kruppenbacher and the staff at WKSU for helping us out with a location for the November meeting. The presentation on the 'Software Defined Radio' was interesting to say the least. It was also noteworthy that almost all of the attendees had ham calls, everyone but me I think. My interest in radio started because of my Grandfather, who was W8ZKD, and the ham 'shack' in the basement with all the knobs and dials. Oooohhh pretty... love at first sight.

The 4th Annual Ohio Broadcast Engineering Conference was a success! The word I got back from vendors and the OAB was all good. We had some very good sessions, and some not so good, but informative even if dull. Terry Baun did his usual excellent job and we are all looking forward to next year's conference. We talked about moving back north some and getting the planning done earlier this year so that may help the turnout.

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January Meeting

Tuesday, January 9 WKYC TV3 Gather at 7pm

This month's meeting will be held at WKYC TV. We will be having our own "Taste of OAB" looking back at last month's conference. We will reviewing various conference



sessions to bring information to those of you who could not make it. Some of those topics will include:

- Management for Engineers
- Public File Maintenance
- Video/Audio Over IP Techniques.

We will also have discussions about our upcoming meetings for this year...sites, topics, etc.

Plan on attending and have a chance at winning the door prizes.

Next Meeting Tuesday, February 13th

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On that note, we will have our own "Taste of the OAB" for this months meeting at WKYC. I will be bringing the booklet / handout that will let us go over most of the interesting stuff that was presented. We will also have some planning discussions on meeting ideas and sites for this year. Since we still don't have a Program Chair yet everyone is invited to speak up and let their feelings be known.

Any volunteers for the open position should speak up at the meeting.

We will be having door prizes at every meeting this year too! Uncle Bill has acquired several of the AC testers from Radio Guide and we will be giving one away at each meeting, you gotta show up for your chance to WIN!

That's the way it seems,

Blake Thompson SBE Chapter 70 Chairman



Everything Audio, Ennes NAB2007 Theme

The Society of Broadcast Engineers will again be the organizing partner with NAB for the upcoming Broadcast Engineering Conference (BEC) at NAB2007, to be held April 14-19 in Las Vegas. The traditional Ennes Workshop will kick off the BEC with a special all-day program titled, "Everything Audio."

Fred Baumgartner, CPBE CBNT is organizing the workshop with assistance from Lew Zager of PBS. Many of the attendees of the PBS Engineering Conference will be joining the Ennes Workshop again this year. Also join in for the first time will be participants in the annual NPR Engineering Conference.

The Ennes Workshop will be held Saturday, April 14 at the Las Vegas Convention Center. It will begin at 8:00 am with a special one-hour "back to the basics" refresher tutorial followed by audio technology presentations that will be of interest to those in both radio and television. Presenters will include experts in the field with practical, real-world engineering backgrounds and experience.

Watch for a complete program description in the February issue of The SBE Signal and in January on the SBE website. Registration and hotel information can also be found at the NAB website.

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SBE Leader Skills Seminar - Management Skills for Engineers

The SBE Leader-Skills Seminars, in its 11th consecutive year with the Society, is specifically designed for broadcast engineers who have or aspire to have management responsibilities. SBE offers the two-part series in cooperation with instructor Richard D. Cupka, Sr., West Lafayette, Ind. Both courses are being offered in Indianapolis in 2007.

Course I, "Leadership – The Framework of People Skills" will be held June 5-7, 2007. It covers the function and nature of your leadership role; how to build stronger teams and effective internal cooperativeness; the complex differences of people; and discovery of your "natural" style of leading and how to nurture a "developed" style to help you adjust to different people in differing situations.

Course II, "Leadership – Expanding Your People Skills" will be held Aug. 7-9, 2007, and picks up where Course I leaves off. Those wishing to attend Course II must have attended Course I sponsored by SBE or prevciously NAB (dating back to 1965). Course II explores individual behavior in groups and dynamics of interaction between groups; the complex motivations of different people and how to deal with them; how best to handle disciplinary processes; and where emphasis should be in a leader's ultimate responsibility over people and activities.

Cupka, who has 40 plus years experience in adult training, has directed and taught the Leader-Skills seminars to broadcast engineering managers, supervisors and technicians for 40 years. Many of the most respected broadcast engineering managers in the country today, are graduates of the program and continue to send members of their staffs so that they, too, can learn from Cupka.

Designed to take technically-adept people and instill in them sound supervisory and management skills, the Leader-Skills Series can also be viewed as a tool for personal growth and development, even for those without prior management or supervisory responsibilities.

Registering early! Each course is limited to a minimum of 10 and a maximum of 18 participants. Deadlines to register are May 2 for Course I and July 5 for Course II. The cost of registrations is \$545 for each course, which includes three days of instruction, all course materials, a certificate of completion and classroom refreshments.

All transportation, housing and meals are the responsibility of the participant. The location will be the Holiday Inn Select - Indianapolis Airport. The discounted guest room rate is \$105 plus tax.



SBE Certification Exam Dates

2007 Exam Dates	<u>Location</u>	Application Deadline
February 9-19	Local Chapters	Closed
April 17	NAB—Las Vegas	March 2, 2007
June 1-11	Local Chapters	April 20, 2007
August 10-20	Local Chapters	June 8, 2007
November 9-19	Local Chapters	September 21, 2007



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