No meeting Next meeting date **June 2007** Gather at 7pm

this month!

July 10th

Meeting at 7:30pm

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MEETING DETAILS

There will be no meeting this month!

The location of the July meeting is still being determined. At the July meeting we will nominate officers for the next year.

The August meeting will be our "picnic" meeting featuring the election of officers.



CHAIRMAN'S CHAT

Blake Thompson

Hello all. Many thanks to Chris Carpenter of Flash Technology for presenting our session last month. (Photos on page 6.) I also want to thank Glenn Foldessy and his crew for hosting the meeting. We found out about how to save money and how to show management what we are saving



on new tower lighting techniques. There should be a ROI (Return On Investment) calculator from Chris on the Chapter 70 website, soon if not already. You can use it to figure out how long it will take to save money by buying new lighting for your tower. I know I will be presenting this as an option to one of my stations the next time we have to relamp. These meetings really are useful and I would like to see a few more folks attending for that reason alone.

We are now an electronic only newsletter, many of those folks that had been getting the printed version had no choice due to email servers that stripped off attachments from emails. That's why we now also have a link in the

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Additional SBE RF Safety Courses Scheduled for Summer

The Society of Broadcast Engineers has added two additional RF Safety Courses, due to the response received for the first course on June 27. The additional courses will be on Wednesday, July 25 and Thursday, August 2, both from 2:00 pm to 5:30 pm EDT. The SBE RF Safety Courses are delivered via web conference and are designed for broadcast station personnel such as 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 courses will be noted RF safety expert, Richard Strickland of RF Safety Solutions.

Go to www.sbe.org for more information regarding the courses offered.

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email to the final pdf file posted on the Chapter website front page (www.broadcast.net/~sbe70). Thanks to Mike Szabo for helping out with the site. I also want to thank Bob Long again for his work on behalf of the Chapter. He came up with this new design for the newsletter and I, for one, like it a lot. Bob is willing to put some time in for the Chapter and he's not even a member... I think some of our members should choose to do the same, we need the help.

There is NO MEETING for JUNE! We couldn't get a site or session together this month, which just goes to show how important having a Program Chair is. We have a possibility for July and we are set for August but... if you have **any** ideas please let us know now so we can get things set up for September and onward. I still learn something new at every meeting and I am amazed that we don't have more participation among our members.

A primary purpose of the SBE is education and we are offering it free to all with the addition of snacks and networking opportunities that you can't get anywhere else.

The July meeting will have the nominations for the elections coming up in August so please attend and maybe throw your hat into the ring.

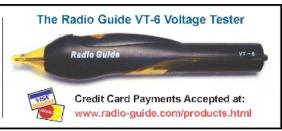
That's the way it seems,

Blake Thompson SBE Chapter 70 Chairman



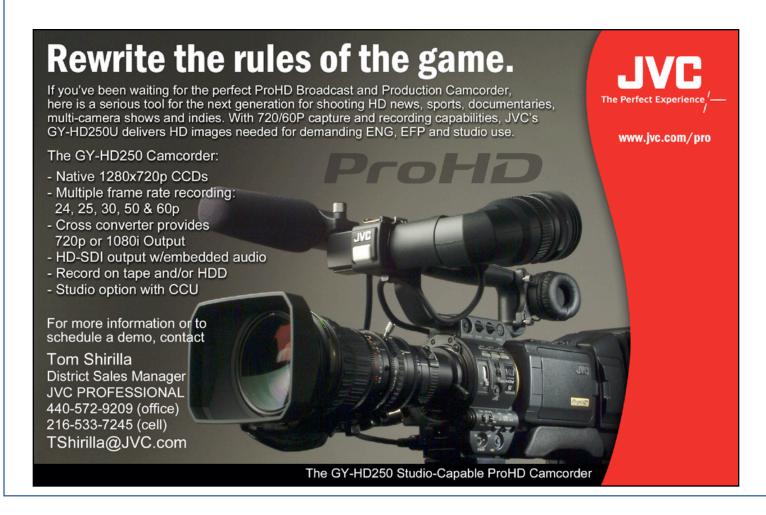
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2007 Exam Dates	Location	Application Deadline
February 9-129	Local Chapters	Closed
April 17	NAB-Las Vegas	Closed
June 1-11	Local Chapters	Closed
August 10-20	Local Chapters	June 8, 2007
November 9-19	Local Chapters	September 21, 2007







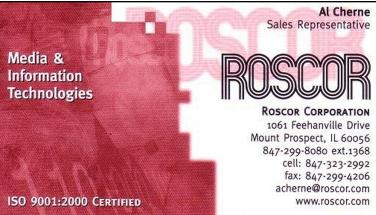
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SBE releases statement opposing live code testing of EAS

The Society of Broadcast Engineers (SBE) announced its opposition to the use of real or live NWRSAME codes for system tests of the public warning system by National Weather Service (NWS)/NOAA Weather Radio (NWR) and some local authorities.

Alerts from the NWS, some local authorities and the Emergency Alert System (EAS) using real emergency event codes, when no actual emergency exists, have recently been used in some communities to test consumer receivers. The NWS is recommending the practice be expanded nationwide. While stated NWS policy establishes that approval for NWS live code testing is up to the state and local EAS committees, some committees are not being consulted or do not understand that they may decline the request. Local emergency officials also may not fully understand the implications of the request and may participate without realizing the serious negative results. The SBE asserts that these cry-wolf alerts will potentially cause public alarm, weaken confidence in the EAS for real alerts and discourage broadcaster's involvement with volunteer EAS programs.

Broadcasters and cable systems decode the EAS data and send the information directly to scrolling messages on TV screens and radios. One result of live -code tests would be that TV's viewed by the deaf and hard of hearing, and TVs in public places would not show any indication that the message is not a real alert. In addition, those receiving emergency messages through the Internet, PDAs, cell phones, programmable road signs, highway advisory radio, lottery terminals and shopping center marquee signs will not know the message was simply a test. The SBE says the negative effect of live -code testing outweighs the benefits of testing the public's weather alert radios.

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May Chapter 70 Meeting at the WOAC Transmitter Site

Chris Carpenter of Flash Technology presents at the May meeting

Bill Elkins, Marty Baker, and Glen n Foldessy chat after the presentation



WOAC transmitter room

Photos courtesy of Bill Weisinger