

August 11 Meeting Info

Hi all, big Chapter thanks go out to David Rodriguez and the crew at WVIZ and Idea Stream for presenting the educational Video over IP session from Evertz. Keep an eye out for more of these in the coming months as they bring in more programs. Our next meeting on Tuesday Aug. 11th is the always popular Picnic/Election meeting and we'll be back at the even more popular Penitentiary Glenn Reservation, the home of Lakeshore Live Steamers. Frank Foti, will co-host with his Live Steamer, Eastwind. You can arrive any time after 5 pm. Our election meeting will be at 7pm, with the foods arriving somewhere in between.

Take I-90 to the Mentor Rt -306 exit. (See map on page 2.) Head south on Rt-306, passing Lakeland Community College on your left. Proceed down the hill to the light at Rt-615 and turn left. Go a few tenths of a mile to the light at Kirtland-Chardon Road and turn right. 'Penitentiary Glen Reservation is exactly 2 miles down on the right side. Pull into the main parking lot and the railroad is located just behind it. You will see a picnic pavilion to the right of the parking lot and we will be to the side of the walkway that goes to the pavilion.

On another program note the OBEC conference is on Wednesday September 23rd. We have another full slate of interesting programs including new IT breakout sessions this year. Go to http://oab.org/engineering/obec/ to register and get more info. It's looking like another good conference.

Blake Thompson CBNT Director of Engineering, WZIP-FM / Z-TV The University of Akron SBE Chapter 70 Program Chairman



CHAIRMAN'S CHAT by John Hovanec

First off the good news! As far as SBE National Awards go, we tied Madison Wisconsin SBE Chapter 24 for Best Chapter Newsletter, so good job to Bob Long and everyone that contributes to this newsletter! The

award will be presented during the SBE National Awards Dinner on October 14, at the SBE National Meeting in Madison, WI. The National Meeting is being held in conjunction with the Wisconsin Broadcasters Association Broadcasters Clinic. As a reminder, if you have a short technical article you think may be of interest to those in our Chapter, contact an SBE Chapter 70 Officer, listed on the last page of this newsletter, for possible inclusion in a future issue. Speaking of the National, don't forget to vote in the 2015 SBE Officers and Board of Directors Election. No doubt you have received an email reminder or mailing by now. All ballots must be received by August 20, 2015 at 4:30 p.m., EDT

An update on the FCC 'austerity' program: It appears that Congress and/or the FCC have backed off on the degree of cuts, as proposed by the Independent Contractor who evaluated operations, thanks in part to comments of concern filed by the SBE as well as others. However there are still going to be some field offices closed, in our region Detroit and Buffalo. I believe Chicago may be the closest field office to Northeast Ohio to remain open. Unfortunately there are some good FCC personal that will be losing their jobs. The overall impact, although not

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as bad to our industry as it could have been, can't be good, as evidenced by the distance to the closest field offices that will remain. I guess we'll see how it plays out as far as response time to various requests and filings, as well as interference complaints and resolution. Our local Chapter Frequency Coordinators, Ed Miller and Jim Baird will no doubt keep us appraised of any impact it has in the 'real world' of their duties, so stay tuned.

As I mentioned in the last newsletter, the August Meeting is not only our 'picnic meet' but also the annual election of the SBE Chapter 70 Officers, more specifically Chairman and Vice Chairman. We will accept nominations prior to the meeting via email, as well as prior to the voting at our August meet. You may email or call either myself or Blake Thompson with any nominations. We are also looking to fill the position of Chapter Secretary, as Bob Kruppenbacher, who has served as the Chapter Secretary continuously since 2008, is retiring from that roll. If you have any questions or interest in that appointment, or in running for one of the elected positions, contact any of the Chapter Officers listed at the sbe70.org website or in this newsletter. We hope to see you at the August meeting and picnic!

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

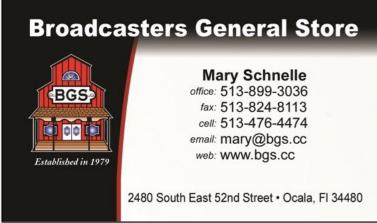


Directions To Lake Shore Live Steamers

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The name of the park is 'Penitentiary Glen Reservation.' Pull into the parking lot. Behind the parking lot is where the railroad is located. You will see a picnic pavilion to the right of the parking lot. We are to the side of the walkway that goes over to the pavilion.





July at WVIZ/Idea Stream





Photos courtesy of Robert Leskovec

SBE 2015 Certification Exam Schedule



Exam Dates	Location	Application Deadline
February 6-16	Local Chapters	Past Date
April 14	NAB Convention	Past Date
June 5-15	Local Chapters	Past Date
August 7-17	Local Chapters	Past Date
November 6-16	Local Chapters	October 2, 2015





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