

MARCH MEETING INFO

Hi all members and friends of SBE Chapter 70. First up a big Chapter thanks goes out to Chuck Poulton, Dan Kuznicki and the crew at WKSU-FM for hosting our February meeting. The Springtime Maintenance webinar was interesting and I think most of us learned something new. If you have an interest, their engineering job may still be open, too. (Meeting photos on page 7.)

Mark your calendar for the 2016 Ohio Broadcast Engineering Conference on Thursday, Oct. 27th! The Ohio Broadcast Engineering Conference (OBEC) is a one-day event for Ohio's radio and television engineers. This year, we are delighted that the Society for Broadcast Engineers (SBE) will conduct its national meeting in conjunction with our conference. Again this year, the OBEC will be at the Greater Columbus Convention Center, located in downtown Columbus.

Our next meeting on Tuesday, March 8th will be at Browns/First Energy Stadium starting at 7:00 pm in the Club 46 venue. We need to know how many of you will be able to attend so we can give them a list of all attendees for stadium security. If you would like to attend the March meeting please RSVP to me at blake@uakron.edu so we can get the list to the stadium folks. Don't delay! I have to get the final number to them this Friday and this will be a one-time event for us so plan to attend! The usual times apply, gather at 7pm for our short meeting at 7:30 with the program to follow.

Blake Thompson CBNT Director of Engineering WZIP-FM / ZTV www.wzip.fm The University of Akron SBE Chapter 70 Program Chairman



CHAIRMAN'S CHAT by John Hovanec

Our upcoming meeting will be at a new venue for us and a great chance to see the behind-the-scenes technical operation at First Energy Stadium. Since we need to have an account of

all attendees in order for you to have clearance and get in, contact Blake Thompson right away if you have not yet done so to get on 'the list'. Also, this is our last meeting prior to the NAB in Las Vegas this April 16 - 21. As customary, we will not hold a Chapter 70 SBE meeting in April.

If you are planning on attending the NAB Show, there are some things you should be aware of as a member of the SBE:

1 - There will once again be an SBE Ennis Workshop, featuring multiple presentations related to the different facets of ATSC 3.0, Digitizing Terrestrial Radio, Un-manned Aircraft Systems (UAS) for News Gathering, Cell Phone 101 for Broadcasters and more.

The Ennis Workshop will be held on April 16 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Room S219 of the Las Vegas Convention Center. Attendance requires a full NAB convention registration or either a PBS Techcon or APRE conference registration and badge. The complete rundown of presentations with descriptions and speaker information is available at the SBE website.

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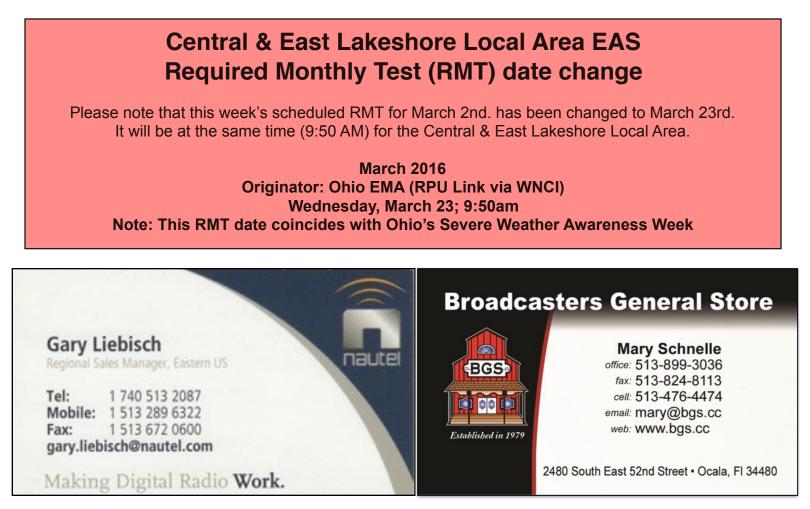
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2 - The SBE Spring Membership Meeting and Reception will take place at the NAB on April 19, in room S228, from 5:30-6:30pm. A special memento will be given to the first 125 people in attendance and prizes will be given away. Following the meeting there will be a reception in the same room for members and friends of the SBE. Food and beverage will be provided and a drawing for more prizes will be held. This is a great opportunity to meet up with old friends and make new ones from among the technical broadcast and media professionals in attendance.

3 - The SBE will also have a presence on the Show Floor, at booth L30, where you can meet members of the National Board of Directors, Certification Committee, and staff. The booth has technical books (SBE members get a discount), certification material, SBE logo items and information on other SBE programs and services.

Speaking of technical books, the SBE plans to unveil a new publication, first available at the NAB, that is sure to be of interest to all of us: SBE Broadcast Engineering Handbook: A Hands-on Guide to Station Design and Maintenance. More than 50 subject matter experts, led by editor-in-chief Jerry Whitaker, CPBE, 8-VSB, have come together to create a book that will be a valuable resource to broadcast engineers, technicians and those with broadcast IT responsibilities. The book, with close to 1,000 pages, is divided into seven major sections and includes an extensive annex. Aside from being available at the SBE Booth at the NAB, the book will also be available through the SBE Bookstore, McGraw Hill and other outlets. SBE members will be able to purchase the book at a discount. Both print and digital versions will be available. Please visit the sbe.org website for more details on the NAB Convention and the SBE Broadcast Engineering Handbook.

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



SBE Webinar: Sharing 2025-2110 MHz Between DoD and the Broadcast Community

This webinar aims to foster collaboration between the U.S. Department of Defense and the broadcast community in pursuit of establishing coordination procedures and operational harmony.



Registration

The one-hour webinar will be held live on March 3, 2016, at 2 p.m. ET/11 a.m. PT. This is a free webinar presented by the SBE and the U.S. Department of Defense go to: http://www.sbe.org/sections/DoD.php for more details and to register.

Topics

- * Background on recent rule-makings affecting the regulatory status of the 2025-2110 MHz band and driving the DoD's sharing with the broadcast community
- * DoD systems that will operate in the 2025-2110MHz band
- * Overview of coordination mechanisms and associated compatibility analysis and testing approaches
- * Framework for collaboration between the DoD, the SBE, and the NAB
- * Ongoing development of a coordination MOU

* Need for development of database of broadcaster operations, equipment, and agreements

* Q&A

Questions or want to know more? Contact SBE Education Director Kristin Owens at 317-846-9000.

SBE National and Chapter Awards Nominations are Open

One of the benefits of SBE membership is being recognized by your peers for achievement. The SBE National and Chapter Awards are ways you can provide this benefit to your local members and chapter. Individual and chapter awards will be presented during the SBE National Awards Dinner, held as a part of the SBE National Meeting in Columbus, OH, Oct. 27, 2016.

In 2016, the list of SBE Award categories includes the Robert W. Flanders SBE Engineer of the Year, the James C. Wulliman SBE Educator of the Year, Chapter Engineer of the Year, Best Chapter or Regional Educational Event, Best Chapter Communications, Technology Award, Facility Innovation of the Year, Best Technical Article, Book or Program by an SBE Member and Best Article, Paper or Program by a Student Member. Details about the criteria for each award are included on the Nomination Form. Winners of the SBE Chapter Engineer of the Year are automatically nominated for the Robert W. Flanders SBE Engineer of the Year Award.

The deadline for the 2016 Annual SBE Awards nominations is June 15. A list of previous winners and the nomination forms are available at the SBE website. *Think about nominating your chapter and local members for the recognition they deserve.*

SBE 2016 Certification Exam Schedule



Exam Dates	Location	Application Deadline
February 5-15	Local Chapters	Past Date
April 19	NAB Convention	March 18
June 3-13	Local Chapters	April 15
August 5-15	Local Chapters	June 3
November 4-20	Local Chapters	September 30

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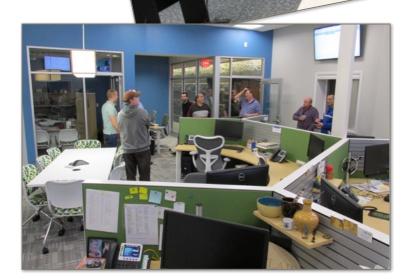
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Pictures of the February meeting at WKSU are on the following page

FEBRUARY MEETING AT WKSU











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