

# 70 MINUTES

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**Tuesday, October 13, 2020 Gather Online beginning at 6:30pm  
Meeting 7:00pm** with presentation to follow

**Presentation:** Current trends and new technology in Mobile ENG  
How to keep your vehicle fleet safe in a pandemic.

Presented by Steve DeFala – Director of Sales, Accelerated Media Technologies

## Meeting Information

Our September 13 Meeting is again 'virtual' with Zoom. Gather at 6:30 pm or later, when we can visit and have open discussion before the 7PM meeting. Please note that beside the Zoom invitation link, you can join via a phone link. That information is below the zoom link, but note a different passcode that you will need to enter, if joining via 'phone. We are trying to make this as easy and accessible for everyone to partake in our meetings. If you are 'camera shy' you can join with the video off when you log on, as well as have your mic muted. We have found that Zoom meetings are an easy way for those to join into the Chapter for discussion or 'catching up' with everyone, from home or out-of-town. I've had success joining with my newer computer as well as my ten-year-old laptop with Windows 7. Mobile devices such as iPhones, iPads and Android devices also work. If nothing else you can join the meeting with a 'good old phone' using one of the phone numbers, meeting ID and passcode listed in the invitation.

Although we can't offer you pizza and refreshments during the gathering, you don't have to worry about driving to a meeting, or the concern of COVID to get together with everyone. We hope you can make it!

Our Presentation will follow the Chapter Meeting. This month's presentation is by Steve DeFala, Director of sales for Accelerated Media Technologies. His company outfits vehicles for ENG and remote broadcast. The timely topic will be "Current trends and new technology in Mobile ENG, How to keep your vehicle fleet safe in a pandemic". See Steve's bio in this newsletter. See more information about Steve on page 3.

A link and the password to join the meeting is contained in the email with this newsletter. And we'll send it out again, prior to the meeting.

John Hovanec, CSRE/CBNT, DRB, AMD  
SBE Chapter 70 Program Chair

## Chairman's Chat

Hello all members and friend of SBE Chapter 70. First I want to thank Ben and Danny from Nema Electronics for the fiber optic cable presentation last month. There was a nice bench demo of how to clean various types, and remember clean fiber is happy fiber! I hope a few more of you can find the time to join the meeting next week, we have a decent amount of chat time before the programs now so it's a bit more like 'in person'. I want to remind you that the new (2018) state EAS plan is fully approved and you should all have the required codes on page 4 programmed in your units. Link - <https://www.fcc.gov/file/15530/download>

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Chairman's Chat (continued from page 1)

In National news last week's SBE Annual Membership Meeting and National Awards Presentation broadcast over the SBE You Tube Channel is available for viewing. Though it's available to anyone 24/7, we might consider it for a chapter meeting program, but it is 68 minutes in length and packs a lot in a quick moving program. The program includes a surprise presentation of the SBE Lifetime Achievement Award, recognition of the winners of SBE's major awards and the two members elevated to the member rank of Fellow. Click on the link found at the SBE website home page.

There are two new SBE webinars coming up in October...

**AoIP Module 8: Trouble Shooting IP Systems** is Oct. 15. Join us for [Trouble Shooting IP Systems](#) as Edwin Bukont, M.Sc., CTS, CSRE, E2 Technical Services & Solutions and Shane Toven, CSRE, CBNT, senior broadcast engineer, Educational Media Foundation, discuss the advances in modern packet-switched networks or IP Networks..

**Virtualization: How It Applies to Your Infrastructure** is Oct. 29. Join Erik Sheldon, Sr., systems administrator, Hope Media Group in Houston, Texas, as he describes virtualization and how you can choose what's right for you in your infrastructure. He will review what products are available and how to decide the level for your needs.

To register for either of these webinars, or for more information, go to [www.sbe.org/Education](http://www.sbe.org/Education) pages. Both are available to SBE MemberPlus members free.

Thanks,

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



## SBE 2020 Certification Exam Schedule

Exam Dates	Location	Application Date
February 7-17	Local Chapters	December 31, 2019
April 21	NAB Show in Las Vegas	March 8, 2020
June 5-15	Local Chapters	April 17, 2020
August 7-17	Local Chapters	June 12, 2020
November 6-16	Local Chapters	September 21, 2020

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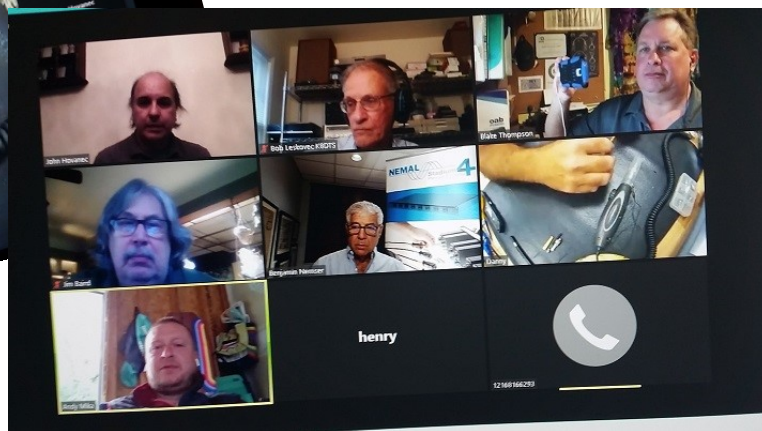
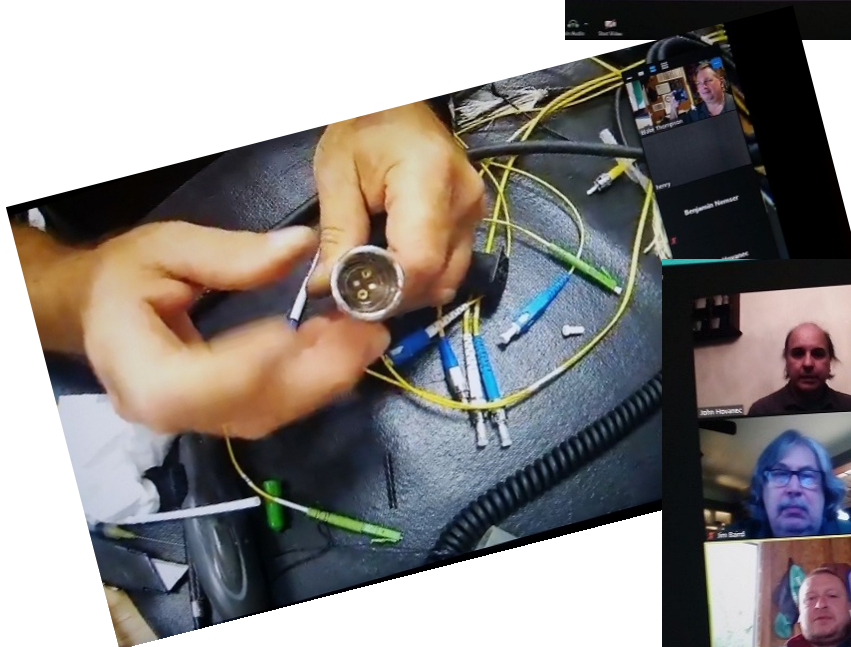
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## September Virtual Meeting in Pictures



### Steve DeFala – Director of Sales Accelerated Media Technologies

With more than 30 years of experience in broadcast engineering, Steve DeFala is responsible for leading more than half a dozen sales and engineering teams as Director of Sales for Accelerated Media Technology (AMT). Since 2014, Mr. DeFala has been instrumental in the company's continuous innovation of new technologies that diversify AMT's market position, while also maintaining oversight of US and global vehicle sales. A graduate of the Connecticut School of Electronics/University of New Haven with a degree in Electrical Engineering, Mr. DeFala is the co-holder of 5 US patents for AMT's ENGenesis™.

Mr. DeFala is now leveraging his extensive knowledge of Microwave Technology, network design, LTE and project management to further assist customers in not only the Broadcast arena but also in the Telecom, Law Enforcement, Sports and Govt arenas.





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