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Please send announcements for the *Valley Megaphone* to Wei Xu at Wei.Dr.Xu@ieee.org for inclusion in the Section Calendar.

All meetings announced in the Phoenix Section Megaphone or on the Phoenix Section Calendar are open to everyone (IEEE members and non-Members)

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U – News

(for Student Members)

Updates of Student Advisors and Committee Members

Each Student Branch noted on the right side of this page should review current information on Advisors and Student Committee Members and forward to my attention within this week, as we are reviewing contacts for reporting and activities including Student Monthly Meetings.

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Student Activities Chair

Update from DeVry Phoenix-Engineering Student Branch

DeVry University is reestablishing the student branch after a long dormant period. We are holding one meeting a month for general business and would like to have one meeting a month with a guest speaker. Any suggestions or volunteers for guest speakers would be greatly appreciated. This month we are responsible for facilitating and judging the Engineering Competition at the Arizona Championship of SkillsUSA. This has been a great opportunity for our members to learn about the competition process and give back to the community.

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U – Newsbytes

The Department of Computer, Electrical, and Software Engineering at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Prescott, AZ invites applications for a faculty position (tenure-track or tenured) at the assistant or associate professor level. The successful candidate should have a Ph.D. in Computer Science, Software Engineering, Computer Engineering or a related field at the time of employment. Preferred areas of expertise for this position include network, cyber, or computer system security and defense, computer forensics, information security, cyber-physical and trustworthy systems, and net-centric computing, embedded systems, autonomous systems, and physical computing. Significant industrial, entrepreneurial and/or teaching experience would strengthen a candidate's credentials, but recent graduates are encouraged to apply.

Apply online at www.erau.edu/jobs and search for positions at Prescott.
Contact Professor Post at john.post@erau.edu for further information.

Update from DeVry Phoenix-Engineering Student Branch

The DeVry University Engineering Student Branch had the fortunate opportunity to facilitate the Engineering Competition at the Arizona Championship of Skills USA last month. As a team, we provided support staff, DeVry student & faculty judges for 13 high school teams from all over Arizona. The high school students came prepared to give a presentation on an engineering project that they had worked on. In addition to giving their prepared presentation and answering questions about their projects, we also provided them with an on-site engineering project to demonstrate their problem solving and teamwork abilities. We came up with a real world engineering project where the teams were required to build a tower at least 2 feet tall that would support the weight of a water bottle in 30 minutes. To add a real world feel to the project, we provided the teams different supplies that they could use and a budget to buy the supplies with. We awarded extra points to the teams that built their tower to specs and came in with the lowest budget spent. We were encouraged to see that many of the teams were able to grasp the concept that bigger and stronger is not always necessary. In the real world, money drives business and it is about meeting a requirement for the least amount. It was very energizing for us to see the bright prospects in the next generation and look forward to our next community project.

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Update from Embry-Riddle Student Branch

The Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University IEEE Student Branch would like to send an update of their activities in the month of April. Our chapter hosted a SPAx on April 14th, focusing on career development. About twenty students and several faculty members were in attendance at the event. Two professors from the university spoke about their experiences in industry and gave advice on how to have successful careers. At the last meeting of the year students received the polos they had ordered. The new officers were also introduced to the rest of the members in attendance.

Upcoming Conferences in Region 6

Hello IEEE Student Members!

Region 6 Global Humanitarian Technology Conference in Seattle will be held on October 8 to 11, 2015

IEEE Technologies for Sustainability Conference (SusTech) 2015 will be held July 30-August 1, 2015

2015 37th Electrical Overstress/Electrostatic Discharge Symposium (EOS/ESD) will be held on Sep 27-Oct 2, 2015

2015 IEEE 61st Holm Conference on Electrical Contacts (Holm 2015) will be held on Oct 11-14, 2015

2015 IEEE 24th Electrical Performance of Electronic Packaging and Systems (EPEPS) will be held on Oct 25-28, 2015

2015 IEEE Workshop on Automatic Speech Recognition and Understanding (ASRU) will be held Dec 13 to 16, 2015

2016 IEEE 66th Electronic Components and Technology Conference (ECTC) will be held on May 28-Jun 5, 2016

2016 15th IEEE Intersociety Conference on Thermal and Thermomechanical Phenomena in Electronic Systems (ITherm) will be held on May 31 – Jun 3, 2016

Message from the Director: Your Investment in IEEE Region 6
by Tom Coughlin, IEEE Region 6 Director

At a recent IEEE Board of Directors meeting an increase of the member assessment for Region 6 members was approved. The assessment will increase from $1 per member to $3 per member (a $2 per member dues increase for Region 6 IEEE members) starting with the 2016 IEEE membership year. I wanted to let you know why we have taken this step and what we plan to do with the additional Region 6 money that this increase will provide.

IEEE Region 6 was for several decades supported by very successful industry conferences, in particular the annual Wescon (Western Electronics Show and Convention), which provided connections between component and system manufacturers and design engineers. Region 6, in combination with the Los Angeles IEEE Council and the San Francisco Bay Area IEEE Council were the owners of Wescon. Wescon provided money not only for Region 6 and the two councils, but for all the sections throughout Region 6. This was a rich source of funding for all types of IEEE activities in our region. The last Wescon was held in 2005.

In 2004 the IEEE approved a $1 assessment for IEEE members in Region 6. There was no assessment before that date. Region 6 has had the lowest assessment of any of the 10 IEEE regions for many years. This assessment money provided funding to partially replace the much larger influx of money that Wescon used to provide and to fund that various activities we have in Region 6 to develop technology for the benefit of humanity as well as promote the value of the IEEE and IEEE membership.

Region 6 has embarked on a number of activities to add value to our members and to create technology for the benefit of humanity. These include our conferences: the annual Global Humanitarian Technology Conference, the Sustainable Technologies Conference, the Rising Stars Conference for young engineers and our new on-line Career and Talent Expo, now underway. We have also embarked on a chapter meeting recording initiative, including training and hosting the presentations in a searchable web site and we have been funding more PACE activities in Region 6 than every before in the recent history of the Region. We think these activities are investments in our members that will eventually pay for themselves, but it can take a bit of time to get these activities off the ground.

So your $2 membership dues increase for Region 6 will help us to create more value for you and other IEEE members and create opportunities to create a better world. We welcome any thoughts or suggestions that you may have and if you would like to work with us on any of our projects please let us know. The real value that our members contribute is their time, in the end this is a much greater investment than their membership dues. If you wish to contact me my email is tom@tomcoughlin.com.

IEEE Components, Packaging and Manufacturing Technology Society Phoenix Chapter

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Tentative Schedule for Monthly Seminars

Date	Topic	Speaker
Feb. 18, 2015	Packaging & Failure Analysis Challenges in Advance 3D packages	Dr. Deepak Goyal
Mar. 18, 2015	High Spatial Resolution Strain Mapping in TEM using Precession Electron Diffraction	Dr. Amith Darbal
April 22, 2015	Seminar Cancelled	
May	No Seminar due to IMS-2015 in Phoenix	
June 17, 2015	Materials Characterization: A Model for Open Access	Leroy Eyring Center, ASU
July 22, 2015	In Preparation for Retirement: Plan Early and Plan Often!	Gregory Wojak
August		
September		
October		
November		
December		

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CPMT IEEE COMPONENTS, PACKAGING AND MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY SOCIETY

IEEE Components, Packaging and Manufacturing Technology Society
Phoenix Chapter

Wednesday, July 22nd, 2015 at 5:30 PM

In Preparation for Retirement: Plan Early and Plan Often!

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ABSTRACT

It is important to plan early and plan often for retirement, but also to plan for fun. We discuss not only how much you need to work towards a comfortable retirement and how to get there, but we also cover:

- Why your spending rate will drive all of your other decisions.
- When to ratchet down your portfolio's risk level.
- How unplanned events shock your portfolio.
- How to invest in this unpredictable market and economy.

We take a look at 3 case studies that exemplifies our discussion.

LPL Financial, member FINRA/SIPC.

The opinions voiced in this presentation are for general information only, and are not intended to provide specific advice or recommendations for any individual.

BIOGRAPHY

Gregory Wojak has an M.S. in Engineering from NC State University, as well as holding Series 7 and Series 66 financial registrations through LPL Financial. Greg has been an independent Financial Advisor with LPL Financial since 2008, with an additional 8 years of prior financial advising experience. Before joining LPL, he worked with institutional investors providing them with research and diversification strategies to help them pursue improved account performance. Before entering the financial field, he was a Project Manager at ABB Europe, a Research Scientist at North Carolina State University, and founded a semiconductor materials company. LPL Financial is a financial services firm dedicated to providing meaningful financial solutions to address the concerns of individuals, families and business owners. LPL provides their clients with access to a full range of financial services and products.

Date: Wednesday, July 22, 2015

Location: Group Conference Room, Freescale Semiconductor, Inc., Discovery Business Center, 2100 E. Elliot Rd. Tempe, AZ. Enter the facility through the Main (South) Lobby in building 94 and sign in with Security (*Photo ID required*) **BEFORE 6:00 PM**. You will be escorted to the meeting room. The presentation promptly starts at **6:00 PM**.

Agenda: 5:30–6:00 PM: Social/Refreshments, 6:00–7:00 PM: Presentation, 7:00 PM: Dinner
(Pizza and Soda will be provided by the IEEE Phoenix Section CPMT Society Chapter)

IEEE members and non-members are all welcome to attend.
Please arrive at the facility entrance no later than 5:45 PM.

For more information, please contact any of the following CPMT officers:

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SP-COM Phoenix Chapter

Please join our Google Group!

Please join our increasingly popular Google group to get the most up-to-date information about the society's activities. We have now over 50 members who are availing of this facility. Email traffic is thin, and used only to send meeting notices. No spam !

https://groups.google.com/d/forum/ieee-sp-com-phoenix-chapter

In addition, we continue to post meeting notices on IEEE vtools at (https://meetings.vtools.ieee.org/main)

Phoenix Chapter of the IEEE Computer Society
July, 2015

News

- The chapter meeting dates for the remainder of 2015 are listed below along with the venues, if known at this time.

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  - August 5th DeVry University, Phoenix campus
  - October 7th TBD
  - December 2nd ITT Technical Institute, Central Phoenix

Meetings are held from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. We will publish information for each of these meetings as soon as it is known.

Our June presentation on building your own computer was quite well received and there were a number of questions. Dr. Brad Morantz covered the subject quite well; he has built several home systems.

We are still working on securing program commitments for the remaining meetings this year. We will publicize the details as soon as they are known.

Visit the CS Chapter website for the latest information: http://ewh.ieee.org/r6/phoenix/compsociety/.
For brief announcements regarding upcoming events we are also on Twitter: @IEEECS_PHX

If you would like to suggest a topic or speaker for any of our future meetings, please contact one of the chapter officers:

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PHOENIX CHAPTER

http://ewh.ieee.org/r6/phoenix/wad/

2015 Event Calendar

Chapter Chair: Steve Rockwell steve.rockwell@ieee.org
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Date	Venue	Topic / Title	Speaker	Affiliation	IEEE Society
25-Feb	ASU	Thermal Challenges in Mobile Devices and Potential Solutions	Mulugeta Berhe	Henkel	Electron Devices
26-Feb	ASU	Impact of Be-doping on the material properties of InAs/InAsSb type-II superlattices for infrared detection	Elizabeth Steeenberger	Wright-Patterson Air Force Base	Photonics
27-Mar	ASU	Advanced Antenna Systems for Satellite Communication Payloads	Sudhakar Rao	Northrop Grumman	Antennas
20-Apr	ASU	Surface Acoustic Wave Devices – Challenges for Technology Development in Modern Communication Systems	Richard Gruenwald	Vectron	Ultrasonics
22-May	ASU	Microwave and Millimeter Wave Power Amplifiers: Technology, Applications, Benchmarks, and Future Trends	Jim Komiak	BAE	Microwaves
22-May	ASU	Overview of Different Numerical Solvers for Electromagnetic Applications	Felipe Cátedra	Univ. of Alcalá, Madrid,Spain	Antennas
Aug					
23-Sept	ASU	Modern Methods for Microwave Filter Synthesis	Richard Cameron	MTT Dist. Lecturer	Microwaves
Oct					
Nov					

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Phoenix Section Life Member Affinity Group

Technical & Administrative

Meeting October 20, 2015

Program Presentation: Patent Basics for Engineers

The business model behind the genius of the patent concept will be discussed and a short history of the United States Patent and Trademark Office will be provided as background. A patent will be defined and a discussion of who can write patents, and an explanation of the distinction between a patent agent and a patent attorney. Next, a discussion of the key parts and types of patents with emphasis on utility patents. Examples will be provided to explain some of the legal jargon such as enabled disclosure, indefinite language, obviousness and prior art. Finally, a short survey of the patent prosecution process and who is an inventor and the duties of the inventor.

The Presenter: Gary Malhoit
Gary is a Senior Engineer in the Power Quality Group of SRP. Prior to coming to SRP, Gary's career included working in various engineering positions at NCR, Bechtel and Motorola. While at Motorola nearly 20 years, he wrote numerous technical articles for Motorola's Silver Quill program and was on the original working group of SEMI F47 for voltage sag immunity. Gary is currently a member of the IEEE 1668 working group for testing electrical equipment. Gary has a BS in electrical engineering from of the University of Tennessee and an MBA from the University of Memphis. He is a registered electrical engineer in Arizona and licensed to prosecute patent cases before the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

NOTE MEETING STARTS AT 11 AM

Meeting Agenda:

11AM: Attendee introductions
11:15 AM: Program Presentation
New officer's report.
Program chairs will review the results of survey taken to determine LM interests for technical presentations.
Continued discussion of LMAG program for student assistance and possible scholarship program for HS students.
Administration Meeting.

Where: SRP's **PERA Club** Bighorn Room,
1 East Continental Drive, Tempe, AZ
Continental is West of 68th St., ½ mile south of McDowell Road
Enter the Private PERA Club and follow drive to large parking lot. Big Horn Room is the most South east building off parking.

When: Tuesday, **October 20, 2015 - 11:00am – 1:00pm**, Registration fee is $15. This fee will include lunch provided by the PERA Club.

Lunch: TBD

RSVP: Please advise Ronald Sprague r.sprague@ieee.org if you plan to attend so accounting for lunch is possible.

Technical Presentations: The Program Chairs are seeking suggestion from members for future presentations. Any ideas of interest to LM are open for consideration. Please contact Ronald Sprague or Barry Perlman Program Chairs at r.sprague@ieee.org and/or barry.perlman@gmail.com.

About IEEE Phoenix Section Life Member Affinity Group: The IEEE Phoenix Section Life Member Affinity Group was organized to enable IEEE Life Members to retain active IEEE associations, contribute to the social good in their communities, advance IEEE's professional interests and enjoy each other's company.

Activities: Technical meetings scheduled the 3rd Tuesday of February, May, October, and December. Elections are held at the December meeting.

Future Technical Meetings: All meeting are scheduled at the SRP PERA CLUB. It is suggested you put these dates on your calendar to attend the meetings.

- Tuesday October 20, 2015
- Tuesday December 15, 2015

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2014 IEEE Phoenix Section News

Executive Committee Meeting

No meeting of Executive Committee in July & August

Normal meetings are on first Tuesday of the month from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM
The Airport Hilton Phoenix,
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2015 Executive Committee

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Executive Committee Meetings

Date: First Tuesday of every month, except July and August
Time: 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Location: Hilton Phoenix Airport, 2435 South 47th Street, Phoenix, AZ 85034

IEEE Phoenix Section Annual Banquet 2014 Photos are Posted at:
http://sites.ieee.org/phoenix/2014/03/03/pictures-from-the-2014-annual-banquet/

IEEE-Phoenix Section Annual Banquet 2015 Photos will be Posted soon.

IEEE Senior Member and Fellow Grade

IEEE Phoenix Section Membership Development would like to nominate eligible IEEE Members from the Section to Senior Member and Fellow Grades. Please review the requirements at www.ieee.org for eligibility.

Eligible candidates are requested to send in their resumes to Dr. Vasudeva P. Atluri, Membership Development Coordinator, at vpatluri@ieee.org and Dr. Charles E. Weitzel, Section Chair, at c.weitzel@ieee.org for consideration.

IEEE Phoenix Section Nomination of Officers for 2016

Have you been looking for a way to volunteer with IEEE? Have you wondered how you could influence how the IEEE Phoenix Section supports and contributes to its members?

Opportunity is knocking as the IEEE Phoenix Section is seeking nominations for the following elected Section officer positions for the 2016 term:

- Chair
- Vice Chair
- Secretary
- Treasurer

In addition, the Nominating Committee is seeking candidates for some of the following non-elected, appointed standing committee Chair positions for the 2016 term:

- Publicity
- Membership
- Student Activities
- Conferences
- Awards
- Inter-Society
- PACE (Professional Activities Committee for Engineers)
- TISP (Teacher In-Service Program)
- ASL (Arizona Science Lab)
- Web Master

Section officers must be IEEE members. Self-nominations are acceptable and encouraged.

Please send nominations or any questions to any member of the Nominating Committee:

- Barbara McMinn (Chair) barbara.mcminn@aps.com
- Rickie Currens rickie.currens@att.net
- Mike Andrews m.andrews@ieee.org

Deadline for nominations is August 31, 2015.

We hope all interested parties will take this opportunity to become more involved with the IEEE Phoenix Section and help us continue to improve our member support. Thank you.

Phoenix Section LinkedIn Group

If you are interested in professional networking and shared Section related updates & discussions join the IEEE Phoenix Section Group on LinkedIn. Signing up only takes minutes and is free. A job board is available as well.

You can also go to IEEE Phoenix Section LinkdIn page by clicking button on the IEEE Phoenix Section home page

IEEE Phoenix Section Ventures into Social Media

You can access the web page three ways:
Use the URL: https://www.facebook.com/IEEEPhoenixSection

Click on the Facebook logo link from IEEE Phoenix section home page.
Search for IEEE Phoenix Section from your Facebook page.

We need following help.

1. Each of you access the IEEE Phoenix Section Web page and click on "Like" hyperlink.
2. Go on the Friends section of the page and "Invite Your Friends." Once your click on Invite button, it will get your email contact list. Your facebook contact list will already be populated with your Facebook friends and you can simply click the Invite button next to their name. Please invite as many friends as you can.
3. Provide me the contents for posting on a regular basis - meeting/ event announcements, Event pictures, Videos.
4. Start some discussion topics under - Status section.

IEEE Membership Grade Advancement

IEEE Phoenix Section Executive Committee encourages all to apply for advancement in membership grade to Senior Member and Fellow Grade. Please review the requirements at www.ieee.org. Please contact IEEE Phoenix Section Membership Development Chair, Dr. Vasudeva P. Atluri, at vpatluri@ieee.org for additional information.

Enhanced Senior Member Application Launched

Effective 29 July 2011, IEEE Admission and Advancement launched a new Senior Member Application. The new application includes numerous enhancements, based on feedback from volunteers and members, including:

- New user friendly format / design
- Secure environment (need IEEE Web account)
- Ability to save application in "draft" form
- Ability to upload resume or Curriculum Vitae (up to 3 MB)
- Applicant can view application online
- Applicant can view status of requested reference forms
- References will be notified by email to provide applicant reference
- References will have the ability to view their completed reference form(s)
- Real time application status

The goal is to provide prospective Senior Members with an easy to use and intuitive interface, while streamlining internal operations at the same time. View the new Senior Member application.

IEEE Member's Benefits

Refer a Colleague, Get Great Merchandise!

In conjunction with IEEE-USA, IEEE is excited to continue this special offer for U.S. members. Refer a colleague to IEEE. If they join before the end of the membership year, they'll get a 50% discount off their first year membership, and you'll get a gift. IEEE-USA gift items you can choose from include:

Cooler backpack	Computer backpack
Portable solar battery charger	Tablet case
Portable speaker	Parker pen and mechanical pencil set
Parker ballpoint pen	Travel coffee mug and tumbler set
Golf balls	Baseball hat
Golf umbrella	Travel umbrella

Members remain eligible to receive incentives through the existing IEEE Member-Get-a-Member (MGM) program. How it works:

- Refer your colleague via the online form.
- Your referral will receive an e-mail inviting them to join at a 50% discount off first-year membership dues, and will receive benefits through 31 December.

- Your referral will provide your IEEE member number when he or she joins.
- Within 1-2 weeks after your referral joins, you will receive an e-mail confirming your recruiting success, including a link which allows you to select your IEEE-USA merchandise item.
- You will receive a separate e-mail for each new member you recruit.

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IEEE-USA Webinar: Job Interviews and Leadership

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On 13 March 2015, at 1:00 PM EST, Elizabeth Lions, author and renowned speaker will address the topic of "Leadership" in the second of a three-part webinar series. In this three-part series, Ms. Lions will address what is appropriate for new leaders, anyone contemplating a move into a leadership role, and visionary process for defining goals for your team. She will examine the criteria by which leaders are measured: team assessment, training, hiring, firing and building a workflow plan.

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