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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.

S. Diane Smith 602-749-4601 <u>sdianesmith@computer.org</u> 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.

Hannah Sprague Chair, IEEE DeVry Student Branch hspragueIEEE@gmail.com

## Student Branches

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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 <a href="www.erau.edu/jobs">www.erau.edu/jobs</a> and search for positions at Prescott. Contact Professor Post at <a href="john.post@erau.edu">john.post@erau.edu</a> for further information.

#### **Update from DeVry Phoenix-Engineering Student Branch**

The DeVry University IEEE Student Branch was happy to host the IEEE Computer Society Phoenix Chapter bimonthly meeting in August. We look forward to hosting more of these meetings in the future. If any IEEE group would like to utilize the space available at DeVry, please feel free to contact one of the officers or the Faculty advisor. The student branch is in full swing planning an exhibition for the 2015 Arizona State Fair. This will be a S.T.E.M. display and series of workshops, sponsored by the Student Branch and DeVry University. We are tripling the size of the exhibit we had at last year's Fair. 2014 focused on projects from DeVry's Senior Project Fair and grade school through high school student projects. This year we will add several hands-on workshops that will run Friday-Sunday every weekend while the fair is open. Currently there are five workshops planned: PC Maintenance & Repair, Game-simulation Programming, Hackfest, Cyber security for the home user, and Basic Electronic circuit builds. We hope to draw attention to the S.T.E.M. disciplines and encourage young adults to pursue education and careers in these expanding fields. If any IEEE group or individual would like to offer advice, resources or display materials, please contact Hannah Sprague. This month is also election time at DeVry and we look forward to Diego Hernandez taking the reigns as Chair of the Student Branch.

Hannah Sprague
Past Chair, IEEE DeVry Student Branch
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Arizona State Fair 2014 S.T.E.M. Display

#### **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.



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## **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

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

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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 <a href="mailto:tom@tomcoughlin.com">tom@tomcoughlin.com</a>.





# 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	Dr. Deepak Goyal
	packages	
Mar. 18, 2015	High Spatial Resolution Strain Mapping in TEM using	Dr. Amith Darbal
	Precession Electron Diffraction	
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	Gregory Wojak
	Often!	
August	No seminar for August	
September 23,	High Density Interconnect Substrate Design Rules	Terry Regan,
2015	(Abstract & Speaker Information will be posted soon)	TTM Technologies
October		
November 18,	Film Assisted Molding	John Crane,
2015		Boschman Technologies
December		



# 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 (<a href="https://meetings.vtools.ieee.org/main">https://meetings.vtools.ieee.org/main</a>)



# Phoenix Chapter of the IEEE Computer Society September, 2015

#### <u>News</u>

• The chapter meeting dates and venues for the remainder of 2015 are listed below:

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October 7<sup>th</sup> ITT Technical Institute, Tempe campus

Speaker: Schuyler St. Ledger, presentation "Software Defined Radio" (invited;

not yet confirmed).

o December 2<sup>nd</sup> ITT Technical Institute, Phoenix campus

Speaker: Mark Goldstein, presentation "The Internet of Things"

Meetings are held from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm on the first Wednesday of the even numbered months.

• At our August meeting we heard Dr. Bill Curd, local security teacher and guru, speak on the subject of "Cyber Privacy". The presentation was superb and very well attended. The meeting went beyond our normal time as a result of all of the questions and discussion. We will plan to have Dr. Curd back again at some point in 2016 to speak on another topic.

Visit the CS Chapter website for the latest information: <a href="http://ewh.ieee.org/r6/phoenix/compsociety/">http://ewh.ieee.org/r6/phoenix/compsociety/</a>. 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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# IEEE Power and Energy Society Phoenix Chapter



http://www.ewh.ieee.org/soc/pes/phoenix/

# **September 2015 Luncheon Meeting**

Date: Thursday, September 17, 2015

*Time:* 11:30 - 11:45 am: Registration

11:45 am: Lunch 12:00 pm: Program

Location: Bobby Q's map (note location)

Speakers: Jill C. Duplessis, Megger

*Topic:* Insulation Diagnostic Methods (for Transformers and Bushings)

Cost: \$8.00 (No cost if you are a college student)

Reservations: Contact Monica at (602) 470-0400 or submit your name <u>here</u>.

Reservations deadline is NOON on Monday, September 14, 2015.

If you have already registered for this luncheon but need to cancel, click here.

#### Abstract:

The primary test methods used to assess the condition of the active insulation components in transformers and bushings, on site, include:

- 1. Capacitance and power factor/tan  $\delta$
- 2. Variable frequency power factor/tan  $\delta$  (1 500 Hz)
- 3. Dielectric frequency response (DFR) [a dielectric response method]
- 4. Moisture in oil measurements (for transformers)

A traditional power factor/tanDelta test provides some useful information for the assessment of insulation but the analysis may be elusive so relying exclusively on this method reduces the success of the test program, in part, to luck. For a far more effective and reliable test program, variable frequency power factor/ tanDelta measurements and dielectric frequency response (DFR) tests should be incorporated as well. The former complements the power factor/ tanDelta measurement by making the insulation system's unique, or individual, temperature correction (ITC) factor accessible and generally serves as a better screening diagnostic. DFR testing delivers a very reliable and accurate moisture assessment of the insulation and the conductivity of the oil.

This talk provides a candid overview of the diagnostic capabilities of power factor/ tanDelta testing and its long recognized deficiencies, which collectively result in an analysis that may feel incomplete. Variable frequency power factor/ tanDelta testing is explained, as well as the temperature dependency of insulation and the use of this characteristic to detect problems. Finally, dielectric frequency response (DFR) testing is explained, including why this is the preferred method to perform moisture assessments on a transformer or bushing. *Biography:* 

Jill Duplessis is the Global Technical Marketing Manager for Megger and member of IEEE. She was previously Director of Power Programs for SmartSenseCom, Inc. where she was responsible for developing, testing and deploying new applications of SmartSenseCom's optical monitoring systems for transmission and distribution utilities. She has over 17 years of experience in the condition assessment of substation assets, first as a Principal Engineer at Doble Engineering Company and following as a Primary Manager and Regional Application Specialist, Transformers, for OMICRON electronics USA. Jill is considered a specialist in power transformer diagnostics, including emerging test technologies, and in addition to a number of papers, is the author of a book titled, "Electrical Field Tests for the Life Management of Transformers". She has prior electric utility work experience, with exposure to a wide breadth of engineering functions. Jill received a BSEE degree from Georgia Institute of Technology in 1991 and has completed extensive studies in electrical power engineering at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY.

# 58" ANNUAL IEEE-PES PHOENIX FUNDRAISING GOLF



Be sure to join us at the Legacy Golf Club, located at 6808 South 32<sup>nd</sup> Street, for a 1:15 PM Shotgun Start. The course is located 10 Minutes south of Sky Harbor Airport.

This is the annual fundraiser for your IEEE-PES Chapter. The fee is \$100 per player or \$400 to sponsor a foursome. Be sure to come early and stay late as there will be free range balls beforehand and dinner afterwards. Cash prizes awarded for first place, second place, and third place teams. There will also be a Raffle, Skills Games, and Giveaways Galore.

Use this sheet to sign up either individually or for your team. You can either:

- Print out and complete, then mail the form with your payment
- Return this form electronically (<u>distribution@gorman-co.com</u>) and then send your payment.
- Send payments to: IEEE-PES

c/o Gorman Company

4819 35<sup>th</sup> Street Phoenix AZ 85040 You will be notified via email that your payment has been received and you are registered to participate. If you have any questions, please feel free to call us at (602) 470-0400.

Please provide all requested information, including email addresses for all team members.

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Additional Dinner Guests:	

To minimize waste and extra costs, we would like your help getting an accurate dinner count.



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# WAVES AND DEVICES

## PHOENIX CHAPTER





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Date	<u>Venue</u>	Topic / Title	<u>Speaker</u>	Affiliation	<u>IEEE</u> 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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Meeting Free & Open to Non-IEEE Members
6:30 to 8:00PM, Wednesday, September 23, 2015
Arizona State University
Goldwater Center, GWC487
650 E. Tyler Mall, Tempe, AZ



## **Modern Methods for Microwave Filter Synthesis**

Richard Cameron
IEEE MTTS Distinguished Microwave Lecturer

#### Abstract

Up until the early 1970s, nearly all filter synthesis techniques were based upon the extraction of electrical elements (lumpe d capacitors and inductors, transmission line lengths) from the polynomials that represented the filter's electrical performance in mathematical terms. This was perfectly adequate for the technologies and applications that were current at the time, and many important c ontributions were made to the art of advanced filter transfer and reflection polynomial generation, and then their conversion to electrical component values corresponding to the filter technologies that were then available.

In the early 1970s a revolution in telecommunication systems and available technology was taking place. The first satellite telecommunication systems were in operation and demand for their services was growing enormously. The crowding of the available spectrum meant that the specifications on channel filters in terms of in-band linearity (group delay, insertion loss) and out-of-band selectivity (high close-to-band rejection, and for transmit filters lowest possible insertion loss), were getting ever more demanding.

Important advances were made in the art of filter network synthesis. Central to these was the coupling matrix representation of the microwave filter electrical network. The coupling matrix synthesis method offers some important advantages over the classical synthesis methods - one of these is the one-to-one correspondence between the elements of the coupling matrix and the individual physical components of the filter. The coupling matrix will naturally accommodate asymmetric characteristics, and those incorporating special features such as transmission zeros or group delay equalization, or both. All these features are critical for meeting the stringent specifications of today's microwave systems.

This lecture will focus on the coupling matrix and the many opportunities for advanced microwave filter design that it opens up and will aim at bringing these state-of-the-art filter synthesis methods to microwave equipment designers, presenting the possibilities that have now become available for meeting the very stringent specifications that are demanded by modern telecommunication, broadcast, radar and scientific/earth observation satellite systems. The lectures will be presented in a style that minimizes mathematics and jargon as far as possible in order to appeal to multi-discipline audiences.



## **Biography**

Richard Cameron gained his BSc in Electronics with Telecommunications at the University of Loughborough in

1969. He subsequently joined the Marconi Space and Defense Company to begin a career devoted to the design and R&D of microwave equipment and systems for spacecraft and associated ground stations.

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In 1975 Professor Cameron joined The European Space Research and Technology Establishment (ESTEC), the technical branch of the European Space Agency (ESA). Here he was involved in the development of software for the design of advanced microwave equipment for space application, particularly microwave filters.

In 1984 Prof. Cameron joined the ComDev company of Canada to assist in the establishment of the European branch of ComDev based near London, England. This involved laying down the design foundations for the production of passive microwave devices and sub-systems for space application, and later for cellular communication systems.

Prof. Cameron retired from CDE in 2005, but retained a consultancy role with the Company on an ad hoc basis. He has also been appointed a Visiting Professor at the University of Leeds. During his career Prof. Cameron has filed 8 patents and has authored or co- authored many papers for technical journals and conferences. He is also the co-author of a technical book, Microwave Filters for Communication Systems - Fundamentals, Design and Applications.

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# IEEE 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., 1/2 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 <u>r.sprague@ieee.org</u> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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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#### Come join fellow Phoenix YP engineers for game nights!

Whether you are interested in team trivia nights or stealing your fellow engineer's resources in Catan, come join us after work! Socialize with fellow young engineers and expand your social and professional network while attempting to remember the name of the fourth U.S. state capital in alphabetical order. Check out our Facebook page for a schedule of events. Like our page to be notified of future events!

https://www.facebook.com/phxieeeyp

## Looking for small business owners who want to connect with ASU students

ASU will be hosting their annual engineering career fair the week of October 5<sup>th</sup>. Last year YP Phoenix and the ASU Student Branch organized a dinner that connected ASU engineering students with hiring managers at Intel, Chrysler, Texas Instruments, EII, and Kimley-Horn. This year we are looking for small businesses interested in hiring ASU students. The dinner/mixer will be held on ASU campus prospectively on Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> at around 5 pm. We ask that those interested contact Jennifer Taggart (Jennifer.taggart@asu.edu) for more information.

#### **Phoenix YP Executive members:**

Chair: Jennifer Taggart (jennifer.taggart@asu.edu) Vice Chair: Nick Spirakus (nickspirakus@gmail.com)

Secretary: Harshad Surdi (hsurdi@asu.edu)



# **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,

2435 S 47th St. Phoenix, AZ 85034, (480) 894-1600.

# **2015 Executive Committee**

Chair: Bruce Ladewig
Vice Chair: Surinder Tuli
Secretary: Vivek Gupta
Treasurer: Mahesh Shah
Past Chair: Barbara McMinn

# **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 <a href="https://www.ieee.org">www.ieee.org</a> for eligibility.

Eligible candidates are requested to send in their resumes to Dr. Vasudeva P. Atluri, Membership Development Coordinator, at <a href="mailto:vpatluri@ieee.org">vpatluri@ieee.org</a> and Dr. Charles E. Weitzel, Section Chair, at <a href="mailto:c.weitzel@ieee.org">c.weitzel@ieee.org</a> for consideration.

# **Phoenix Section LinkedIn Group**

If you are interested in professional networking and shared Section related updates & discussions join the <u>IEEE Phoenix Section Group on LinkedIn</u>. 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 <u>IEEE Phoenix Section home page</u>

# **IEEE Phoenix Section Ventures into Social Media**

You can access the web page three ways:

Use the URL: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/lEEEPhoenixSection">https://www.facebook.com/lEEEPhoenixSection</a>

Click on the Facebook logo link from <a href="IEEE Phoenix section home page">IEEE Phoenix section home page</a>.

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 <a href="https://www.ieee.org">www.ieee.org</a>. Please contact IEEE Phoenix Section Membership Development Chair, Dr. Vasudeva P. Atluri, at <a href="https://www.ieee.org">wpatluri@ieee.org</a> for additional information.

# **Enhanced Senior Member Application Launched**

Effective 29 July 2011, IEEE Admission and Advancement launched a <u>new Senior Member Application</u>. 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. <u>View the new Senior Member application</u>.

## **IEEE Member's Benefits**

#### **Member Discounts**

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To learn more about *my*Financial Wellness, and how it can help you, register today for an upcoming webinar:

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- WealthView: Your Personal Financial Web site
   26 August 2015 at 3:00 P.M. EST

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As a special benefit of IEEE membership through 15 August, IEEE-USA is offering a free eBook, *The Best of Backscatter from Today's Engineer – Volume 3*, by Donald Christiansen.

The Best of Backscatter eBooks are composed of articles that were originally published in the *IEEE-USA Today's Engineer Online*.

In Volume 3, Christiansen covers topics that have concerned (and sometimes perplexed) engineers for years, if not decades. Among them are how to manage careers, the future of the profession, and how the general public sees the role of engineers.

Some of the article titles included are:

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**Make or Buy**, which discusses some of the factors an engineering team may face when deciding what

hardware and software it will recommend making or developing in-house, as opposed to outsourcing it.

**Math...What Good Is It?** probes the question many grade-school kids are said to be asking. Unlike students of an earlier generation, Christiansen writes, "they find math exercises boring, because they see no connection to the real world."

**The Mouse that Wouldn't Quit** recounts the story of *IEEE Spectrum's* Amazing MicroMouse Maze Contest. It originated in 1977, and has since given rise to an international phenomenon.

In his own "Andy Rooney"-like way, Donald Christiansen brings life to his Backscatter articles with eye-catching titles and humorous quotes. The columns are informative, and most of all, thought-provoking.



Members can download *The Best of Backscatter from Today's Engineer – Volume 3* for free through 15 August 2015. Sign in with your IEEE Account, add the book to your Cart, and enter the promo code **JULYFREE** at checkout.

In August, the IEEE-USA free eBook will be *Work-Life Balance – Book 2*, written by Peggy Hutcheson. This free eBook explores work-life balance, with regard to career stages -- young professional, mid-career and late career.

#### **IEEE Mentoring Program**

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- Mock Interviews Prepare for the real thing by selecting an interviewer and the type of questions they'll ask. Choose to record your interview for evaluation and feedback.
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Applications may be submitted by one or more IEEE members or organizational units, individually or in cooperation with an IEEE staff group. The proposals will be based on their potential to lead to new IEEE products, services and communities, and have a significant impact on the overall organization.



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