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### SYRACUSE SECTION Meeting Information

Our Executive Committee Meetings are held on the first Friday of the month and are open to all members.

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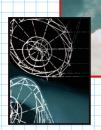
for Engineering Undergraduates on 'How Engineers Make a World of Difference'

Choose an aspect of engineering that you consider to be socially constructive, appealing and "fun"; translate it into a 90-second video clip aimed at an 11-to-13-year-old student audience on "How Engineers Make a World of Difference." The clip should convey why you think engineering is cool, and should reinforce engineers' contributions to the quality of life.

Up to \$10,000 in scholarship prizes will be awarded. In addition, winning entries will be shown during National Engineers Week 2008 and on IEEE.tv and SpectrumOnline.

The competition is open to all U.S. undergraduate students in engineering. Entries must be submitted by midnight Eastern Time on Friday, 18 January 2008.

To view competition rules and to enter, go to www.ieeeusa.org/communications/video\_competition/; or e-mail p.mccarter@ieee.org.





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IEEE-USA Mass Media Fellows must be at least a senior in college majoring in mathematics; engineering; or the natural, physical, health, computer or social sciences. IEEE-USA's 2007 Fellow, Sourish Basu of Cornell University, interned at *Scientific American* in New York City.

The deadline for applications is 15 January 2008. For more information on the program and to apply, see <a href="https://www.aaas.org/programs/education/MassMedia/">www.aaas.org/programs/education/MassMedia/</a>; or e-mail p.mccarter@ieee.org.













### Educational Seminar

Join us for a joint IAS & PES presentation!

### **IEEE Expert Now!**

## Cyber Security of Substation Control & Diagnostic Systems by Joseph Weiss sponsored by the IEEE Power Engineering Society

This course will familiarize learners with the need to strengthen the protection of the control systems used in the industry against cyber (electronic) threats. The control systems addressed include SCADA systems, IEDs, substation automation systems, and distribution control systems. The course will identify the major threats, and outline practical suggestions about how the security of

these systems may be enhanced. After completing this course you should be able to develop an understanding of:

- Issues relating to cyber security (Why do people care about this subject?)
- The threats to the security of control systems (Who are the intruders, and why do they do what they do?)
- What makes control systems vulnerable to intrusion?
- Industry's experience is with breaches of security? (Separating the myths from the reality)
- What utilities are required or advised to do to protect their systems (Rules, regulations, and standards: steering through the regulatory thicket)
- What utilities can do now to protect their systems (Practical steps that go beyond what is currently required.)
- Anticipated future developments to enhance the cyber security of control systems.

Joseph Weiss is an industry expert on control systems and electronic security of control systems, with more than 30 years of experience in the energy industry. He serves as KEMA's leading expert on control system cyber security.

Special Offer for 4 attendees: Win a PES or IAS Society membership for 2008!

Wednesday, December 12th, 2007

6:00-6:30pm Social Half-Hour 6:30-7:45pm Presentation 7:45pm-8:00pm Q&A

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### Upcoming Events & News



	Date	Time	Sponsor	Location	Topic	Contact
]	December 14	5:50 PM	open to all members	RSVP	Holiday Party hosted by the Cobb's	Craig Cobb
	January 4	12:00 PM	open to all members	C&S Engineers	Section Executive Committee Meeting	Mike Hayes

- 1. What's in Store for Sections Congress 2008? Delegates from more than 300 IEEE sections around the world are looking ahead to "Sections Congress 2008: Celebrating Volunteer Achievements Worldwide," to be held 19 to 22 September in Quebec City. The triennial gathering of section leadership from all 10 IEEE regions involves four days of workshops, panel discussions, and tutorials to help make the leaders more effective.
- 2. Charles Elachi: Exploring the Unknown As far back as he can remember, Charles Elachi was fascinated with space. Looking up at the night sky from the patio of his childhood home in Rayak, Lebanon, he would wonder, are people watching us from other planets too? And how did life begin? Today he may be closer to the answers.
- 3. Love to Write? Try for a Writing Fellowship If you're in engineering or science and love to write about technical topics, consider applying for the Mass Media Science and Engineering Fellows program of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. As a member of AAAS, IEEE-USA sponsors two Fellows who will work for 10 weeks at a U.S. newspaper, magazine, or radio or TV station.
- 4. Apple Cofounder Donates Money to Student Branch The IEEE student branch at the University of California at Berkeley lucked out when Apple cofounder Steve Wozniak went back to his roots. A graduate of the school, class of 1986, he donated US \$1000 to the branch in September.
- 5. "Get IEEE 802" Program Marks Six Years, Adds Corporate Sponsor The program by which the IEEE makes IEEE 802 standards available to anyone passed its sixth year recently, and it attracted a third corporate sponsor. Nortel joins Cisco and the Wi-Fi Alliance in supporting the program.
- 6. Ecuador Had Top WIE Student Branch. Members of the IEEE Women in Engineering student branch affinity group at the Private Technical University of Loja, in Ecuador, were very busy starting in July last year.
- 7. Electronic Ticket Checker Named IEEE Engineering Milestone Subway systems and electronic fare cards are commonplace these days. But the development of the world's first commuter ticket-scanning machine, installed to check the tickets of mobs of riders, was recently named an IEEE Milestone in Electrical Engineering and Computing.
- 8. Face Time Is the Thing During Radio and Wireless Week Wireless technology makes remote communications possible, but face time still counts. So about 700 wireless and radio engineers and scientists will travel to the third annual Radio and Wireless Week to meet, and speak, face to face.
- 9. IEEE Offers Online Seminar on 21st-Century Engineering Register now for the IEEE GOLD online seminar "The 21st-Century Engineer," taking place on 4 December. Adrian Pais, a telecommunications specialist, will discuss the changing nature of the engineering profession and the challenges and opportunities this presents. Learn about the six essential values an engineer should possess to remain competitive.
- 10. IEEE Spectrum Webinar Covers Advances in Temperature Measurement Design On 29 November, learn from specialists from Data Translation about considerations for designing accurate analog temperature-measuring instruments in automotive, energy, biotech, manufacturing, aerospace, and other areas.
- 11. WiMAX: Ready for Prime Time. On 5 December, the latest of the IEEE Spectrum Tech Insider Webinar series will feature industry experts discussing some of the hottest issues in WiMAX, including how it will compete with 3G technology and reshape mobile devices and the Internet.
- 12. Nominate a Colleague for an EE Times Award Nominate a colleague for the 2008 EE Times Fourth Annual Creativity in Electronics (ACE) Awards. The awards honor inventors who have demonstrated leadership and innovation in the global technology industry. IEEE Spectrum is a sponsor of the 2008 ACE Awards and will present two awards based on its January 2008 Technology "Winners and Losers" issue.

### IEEE News



#### **2007 RAB AWARDS RECIPIENTS**

On 17 November 2007 meeting, the IEEE Regional Activities Board selected the recipients of the 2007 RAB Awards, this includes:

### RAB Larry K. Wilson Transnational Award

\* Gerhard Hancke, South Africa Section - "For inspiring membership development and services as a member of several regional and technical conferences worldwide"

#### **RAB Innovation Award**

\* Daniel Bellomo and Marcelo Doallo, Argentina Section - "For effective use of technology for knowledge-sharing and networking in the Argentina Section and throughout Region 9"

Also selected were recipients for the RAB Achievement, Leadership and GOLD Achievement Awards. A complete list of recipients and additional information

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#### **CALL FOR FELLOW NOMINATIONS**

This is a reminder that nominations are being accepted for the IEEE Fellows class of 2009. The rank of IEEE Fellow is the institute's highest member grade, bestowed on IEEE senior members who have contributed "to the advancement or application of engineering, science, and technology."

If you know of a Senior member performing outstanding work in any of these categories: educator, technical leader, research engineer/scientist, or in the recently added application engineer/practitioner, consider nominating that person for Fellow. The deadline for nominations is 1 March 2008.

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