

The Open Channel

Newsletter for the Hampton Roads Section

The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc.

October 2000

October Meeting

Nomination of Local Officers

Speakers: Mike McBeth

Bill LaBelle

Date:

Thursday, October 26, 2000

Location:Golden Corral
Norfolk Airport

Directions: Take I-64 to Exit 279B, Norview Avenue East. Proceed 1/2 mile to next major intersection. The Golden Corral is on the left in the corner of the K-Mart parking lot. Members should plan to purchase dinner upon entering the restaurant, then proceed to the meeting room in the back left corner. (We will all dine at the same time, so you shouldn't get your dinner when you arrive, but you must pay for it first.) The buffet and drink is \$9.55 plus tip.

Schedule:6:30 p.m. - Social

7:00 p.m. - Dinner

7:30 p.m. - Speaker

Price:Members - \$15.00

Students - \$7.50

Guests - \$15.00

Meeting Highlights: The Nominating Committee will present candidates for 2001 Sections Officer positions, and each candidate will introduce his or her capabilities, positions and planned initiatives for the next year. A discussion will be held following candidate presentations. New nominations, including self-nominations, will be accepted at the beginning of the meeting. Elections will be held in November.

We're continuing to mass-mail *The Open Channel* for another month, through the November issue. Members who want the hard copy should send us a note with your name and preferred mailing address. Instructions for subscribing to the electronic version of *The Open Channel* can be found on the opposite side of this newsletter under *Hampton Roads Distribution List*. If you haven't already done so, please subscribe now.

From the Chair

Our efforts over the last two years have been focused on reaching out to better meet the needs of our 1,000 plus members. We now have electronic newsletters that are sent to all subscribed members with email, and we have a Web site for the Hampton Roads section where our newsletter is posted monthly to expedite the delivery of information. We are holding this month's meeting on the South Side to allow members who are not able to make the Peninsula meetings a chance to be active in our group. Please come out and show that it is worth the effort to alternate our sites. If we regularly get a large turnout on the South Side, we could begin having all meetings here since there doesn't seem to be a lot of activity from the Peninsula group.

Please be prepared to briefly discuss nominations for next year's officers and to nominate your friends or yourself. This is your chance to influence the direction of our Section for years to come. If you don't have the free time to accept an officer position, we have needs for short term roles as well, like judging of student papers at the January meeting and manning our booth during Career Day at NASA (February). Ballots for the officers will be cast in November. Positions available are:

Chair

Vice-Chair

Secretary

Treasurer

Newsletter Editor

Web Master

Sam Simmons

2000 Section Officers

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Secretary: Greg Gallagher gallaghj@eustis.army.mil

Election of Officers

Next year's slate of officers will be elected at the November meeting and will begin serving in January. To facilitate this effort, we are accepting nominations at the October meeting. The nominating committee will present the candidates at the October meeting to allow the membership time to evaluate them before voting in November.

Region 3 Addresses

R3 Web Site: <http://sandbox.ieee.org/r03/>

Hampton Roads Web Site: http://www.ewh.ieee.org/r3/hampton_roads/

ETI Web Site: <http://sandbox.ieee.org/r03/eti/eti.html>

ETI Authorization: eti-info@eng.uab.edu

Tell Us About Your Local Engineering Events

Are you organizing or sponsoring a local event of interest to the engineering community? Let us know! Contact chapter president Sam Simmons (ssimmons@ieee.org) or newsletter editor Sonja Ebron (sebron@ieee.org) to have your event announced in upcoming editions of *The Open Channel*. With distribution to over 1000 local IEEE members each month, you can't afford to ignore this free resource.

IEEE News

IEEE has made membership renewal available on the web for the third year. IEEE members can renew now at <http://www.ieee.org/renewal>. As an extra encouragement, those who renew their membership online by December 1st will receive 15% off their next purchase in the IEEE Online Catalog & Store, the definitive source for IEEE products (special terms and conditions apply.) Members who applied or renewed their 2000 membership online were sent an email renewal notice on October 2nd.

An IEEE Education partner, Global Resources, is currently offering IEEE members a 10% discount on the year 2000 rate for MBA PowerPak advance spring 2001 registrations. Register for a spring 2001 MBA PowerPak Session before December 15, 2000, and the cost for the entire 8-day program is \$3,600. After December 15, the cost of the program is \$4,500, although IEEE members will continue to receive a 10% discount. For more information on the curriculum, instructors, locations/dates, pricing and related details, visit the MBA PowerPak website at www.MBAPowerPak.com or call the MBA PowerPak Registration Center at 1-877-GRTRAIN (1-877-478-7246). For the full story, see <http://ieee.org/organizations/eab/newswire57.htm>

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