



Montana Section News
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Chair's Message
Jon Koon

Greetings IEEE Montana Section Members

What do all engineers like best? New toys and gadgets of course; especially if those gadgets are based on new "cool" technology. As time for another IEEE meeting rolls around, we look forward to learning about new technology from someone who has been inventing it for years - Klein Gilhousen. We hope you will join us for pizza and a presentation on what is new in the world of 9-1-1 in a cellular environment.

Some of you may have missed last meeting's presentation given by the Montana Manufacturing Extension Center(MMEC). We learned that Bozeman has an outstanding resource for businesses that are manufacturing their own product. Many businesses in Montana have reaped exceptional benefits from their services. The best part is that many of their services are provided free of charge! For more information contact Mark Shyne at MarkS@coe.montana.edu. He and the rest of the staff at MMEC work hard to help Montana businesses stay competitive.

Also on the agenda for IEEE will be elections. The ballots will be mailed out soon, so please fill them out and we will complete the transition to a new year of IEEE activities.

See you on Thursday!

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Reminder! Reminder! Reminder! AGAIN!!!

If you received this by snail mail and have an e-mail address, either the IEEE doesn't have it in their database or they have an incorrect e-mail address, so - please email it to jamesonwj@aol.com. Several Section members have changed their ISPs, gone to DSL, etc. Let us know!

Don't Forget: The March meeting will be Thursday, Mar 27, at the Northwestern Energy service center on Griffin Drive in Bozeman. Pizza will be served at 6:00 pm and the presentation will begin at 7:00 pm. Please

call Sharon at 994-2505 (or e-mail: sharona@ece.montana.edu) to make reservations by noon, Thursday, March 27.

Senior Member Update

The Section SM Nominating Committee has submitted three names to the IEEE A & A Committee for promotion to Senior Member. We are seeking additional candidates and would like to hear from you if you or someone you know has the following qualifications: 1) ten years or more of professional experience; and 2) significant performance over a period of at least five years. Please contact either Don Pierre 406-587-4065 (Pierre_Don@ieee.org) or Bill Jameson at 406-586-0280 (jamesonwj@aol.com). We will be happy to supply you with the short "Application/ Nomination Form" and with "Senior Member Grade Reference Forms."

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