



Montana Section News
September, 2007 Chair's Message
Richard Wolff

Notes from the Chair

As the Fall semester begins and everyone returns from their summer vacations the Montana Section executive committee has been busy planning an exciting calendar of meeting and other IEEE activities. Our first meeting will highlight the emerging reality of electric vehicles. Save September 18! Several of the section committee members will be attending area, regional and national IEEE meetings over the next month. The student chapter has elected its new leadership and plans to attend the training session in Utah in September. We look forward to your input for topics for future talks, professional training and outreach events.

IEEE ANNUAL ELECTION:

Annually, the IEEE members are requested to participate in the IEEE elections. This is your opportunity to provide input to determine who will serve on the IEEE Board of Directors, Regional Activities Board, Technical Activities Board, IEEE-USA Board and the Standards Association Board. The ballots for the IEEE Annual Election have been mailed to all eligible IEEE voting members.

The annual election candidate biography booklet will only be provided to newly joined members who are eligible to vote for the first time in the annual election, those who have been elevated to Member or Graduate Student membership grades on/or before 30 June 2007, and those members who voted by paper ballot in the 2006 election. Members who transmitted their ballot electronically, or did not vote in the 2006 election, will not receive the candidate biography booklet.

However, access to these materials will be available electronically via the IEEE annual election website. All eligible voting members will receive a paper ballot and postage paid reply envelope in their ballot package.

In addition, to help you learn more about them, many candidates have provided a link to a personal Web site to further promote their candidacy. If no url is provided, then a personal site is not available. Candidates are listed alphabetically by election category and the sequence does not indicate any preference.

To assist all voting members in making an informed decision, a moderated Roundtable Q&A video/audio session with the three President-Elect candidates, Marc Apter, Pedro Ray and John Vig, answering questions asked by members, and a video/audio of the annual President-Elect candidates' debate, hosted by the IEEE Philadelphia Section, are also available on the IEEE annual election website. These videos are accessible from the Annual Election site at www.ieee.org/elections or directly from IEEE.tv.

IEEE Membership Reminder

Have you renewed your membership? You can renew on-line: <http://www.ieee.org/web/membership/renew/index.html>

September Meeting

Our September meeting will be held Tuesday, September 18 at 6:30 PM, Room 312 Roberts Hall on the MSU Bozeman campus.

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September Section Meeting

Alex Lear, Speaker

"Who's Saving the Electric Car?"

Automobile manufacturers can build electric vehicles that accelerate from zero to 60 mph in 4 seconds, emit zero emissions, and cost only a few cents per mile to operate. So why isn't everyone driving an electric car? This talk will provide an overview of the history, current state, and future of electric vehicles. Current technologies used in the electric vehicle (EV) field will also be covered.

**Tuesday, September 18 , 6:30 p.m., at Montana State University,
312 Roberts Hall**

Free pizza & pop

Please call Richard Wolff at 994-7172 (or e-mail: rwolff@montana.edu) or sign up via the Section website <http://ewh.ieee.org/r6/montana> , to make reservations by 5 PM, September 17.

