

# Region 3 Past Director's Report

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Was it just me or did they forget to announce Spring this year? To each of you, I wish you happy spring. I think we stand a good chance of warm weather at our annual meeting and I look forward to renewing friendships and meeting new volunteer leaders at our meeting.

The IEEE collaboration tool (IEEE Collabratec TM) continues in pilot. Participation is growing and we are learning how users are responding to the product. The Q&A subsystem has moved into the product so it is now possible to ask or answer questions within Collabratec. It is now possible to join the pilot – ask me (or anyone else who is already participating) for an invite.

It looks like the plans for our Region 3 meetings in Fort Lauderdale are coming together and Mary Ellen is experimenting with a new format for Friday and Saturday. It provides more interaction opportunities. I hope that we, as participants, take advantage of them.

I also know that Eric Ackerman and Carlos Cabrera, co-chairs of SoutheastCon 2015, have been working hard to make the conference a memorable event that will allow us a pleasurable environment to do the work of the Region as well as enjoy networking with our IEEE colleagues. Thanks to Eric, Carlos, and their team for their efforts! Thanks also to Pat Donohoe, Mary Lynn Smith, new RSR Oceane Boulais, and former RSR Joshua Shank for their efforts on the student events. We have a great team of local volunteers supported by Region volunteers planning and executing this conference.

## Major Activities since last report (to Region 3 Committee)

- Weekly Collabratec Operating Committee Teleconferences
- Weekly Collabratec IT Meetings
- Weekly TechNav Committee Teleconferences
- Bi-Weekly IEEE Holistic IT Committee Teleconferences
- 4–9 February, IEEE Board Series in New Orleans (several roles)
- 19–21 February, Nuclear and Plasma Sciences Society in New Orleans (Collabratec)
- 25 February, YP Webinar on Leadership Excellence (attendee)
- 4–6 March, IEEE Foundation Board Meeting (Newark, NJ)
- 16 March, R3 MELC meeting (Webex)
- 18–19 March, IEEE Ideation Committee (Newark, NJ)

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## Region 3 Addresses

R3 Web Site: <http://ewh.ieee.org/reg/3>

Facebook: Search for “IEEE Region 3”

Blog: <http://ieeer3.blogspot.com>

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Calendar: [r3ieee@gmail.com](mailto:r3ieee@gmail.com) (Region 3 planned meetings)

Calendar: <https://meetings.vtools.ieee.org/meetings/ical/0/90/asc/3>

(all meetings in Region 3 in vTools)

R3 Online Community: <http://region3.oc.ieee.org> (uses IEEE Credentials)