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## August Meeting Notice

- WHEN:** **Wednesday, August 22, 2001**  
Lunch 11:30 – 12:30  
Program 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm
- WHERE:** **University Club of Nashville**  
2402 Garland Avenue  
Reservations: 615-322-2771. Directions at <http://www.ieee-nashville.org>
- COST:** **\$15.00 FOR MEMBERS, \$5.00 FOR STUDENTS. Lunch Included.**
- PROGRAM:** **Navigating the Way to Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS)**  
**SPEAKER:** Robert L. French  
R&D French Associates  
Nashville, TN

ITS is a multi-disciplinary approach which integrates sensing, communication, control, and information technologies. ITS is affecting every aspect of ground transportation. Bob French, an expert on ITS who pioneered the development of computer-based car navigation 30 years ago, will outline the background and scope of ITS, with particular focus on car navigation and the role of the IEEE in ITS development. Please join us for this luncheon.

## Upcoming Activities

### Nashville Section Officers CY 2001

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### IEEE Nashville Section 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

We are planning a gala event to celebrate the Nashville section's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. This event will be held on Saturday, September 22, at the Renaissance Center in Dickson, TN ([www.rcenter.org](http://www.rcenter.org)). For those of you who have not been to this state of the art facility, it is a must see experience. Please check out the web site for directions. We will start the event with a reception at 4:00 pm. This is a family event, so bring your children. At 5:00 pm we will have a private laser and music show in the planetarium. We will then join together for dinner and a brief awards ceremony. IEEE-USA representatives will present the awards. Entertainment during the dinner is planned, and will be announced in the September newsletter. Please join us.

Admission will be \$15.00 per adult, \$8.00 for children and students.

### Intelligent Signal Processing and Communication Symposium

The IEEE Nashville Section will host an international symposium on Intelligent Signal Processing and Communication Systems (ISPACS 2001) in Nashville on Tuesday, November 20 through Friday, November 23. We are soliciting corporate sponsorship, and volunteer help for this event. If any members are aware of potential sponsors, please notify Andy Dozier.

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### **Announcements**

**OOPS!!**. I must apologize about the absence of the July Newsletter. I was on vacation during the preparation period, and neglected to leave Bruce Mackie with the membership database and the mail merge program for address printing. Andy Dozier - Chairman

**SAMIEE Database**. SAMIEE is the membership database provided to section officers for use in our correspondence with the membership. You may note that our mailing label is composed of the member name, three address lines, and the city/state/zip code. This address information is the "preferred mailing address" information in the SAMIEE database. The database is updated monthly. If corrections are required, you should go to <http://www.ieee.org/membership>, click on the "Update" button, and make the appropriate changes.

**Nashville Technology Council**. The NTC schedules monthly meetings of the Computer Professionals Special Interest Group (CP-SIG) on the first Thursday of each month at the University Club. The CP-SIG mission is "to enable entrepreneurial individuals and small businesses to grow professionally in the information technology marketplace." The meeting hosts a speaker on topics of interest to the IT community. The August 2, meeting was on the Microsoft.Net software environment. Feel free to check out the CP-SIG schedule on the NTC web site at <http://www.technologycouncil.com>. Click on the CP-SIG button under affiliates. Admission is \$35 for non-members, \$25 for members. Dinner is included.

**Music City Power Quality Group**. The MCPQG holds their monthly meetings the first Tuesday of each month. Although they do not have a web site, you may call Tom Maddox at 615-747-3557 to request addition to their mailing list. The August 7, meeting provided four speakers on varying power related topics, and was followed by a tour of Inflow's data center. Refreshments and a buffet lunch were included. Admission is \$15 for members and non-members.

### **Tennessee Engineering Center**

We are still soliciting sponsorship for the TEC. As of May 3, we have raised \$44,547 towards our \$50,000 goal. Please be aware that if your company contributes in the name of the IEEE, the contributions will be pledged in both the name of the company providing the donation, and in the name of the IEEE-Nashville Section. This facility is an addition to the existing Cumberland Science Museum, and will provide meeting and exhibit space for the patron level professional societies. Please assist us in achieving the patron level of \$50,000. Interested members should contact Bill Sims via telephone at 615-331-7521.