



**Montana Section News
February, 2003**

**Chairman's Corner
Jim Smith**

Our speaker for this month will be Mark Shyne of the Montana Manufacturing Extension Center (MMEC) at MSU. The MMEC is a statewide manufacturing outreach and assistance center. Mark has been involved with the center for many years in helping manufacturing businesses improve their efficiency and operations.

The leadership of the Montana Section of the IEEE is about to change hands again as we hold our annual elections later this month. The Chair's position for 2003 will be in the capable hands of Mr. Jon Koon and we will be filling new positions for chair-elect, treasurer, and secretary. I would like to express my thanks to all those who have helped make the IEEE Montana Section a success over the past year. In particular I would like to thank Bill Jameson for all his efforts and especially with the Moose Call, Jim Cole and Brett Swimley for keeping the books, and Jon Koon for his efforts in PACE. Also a special thanks to Don Thelen for his help in finding presenters for our monthly meetings. It has been a pleasure working with you all and I plan to continue to help with IEEE activities whenever possible.

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Want a job? We're still looking for a new Program Chair! Pay is non-existent, but it's lots of fun! Call Jon Koon.

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Don't Forget: The February meeting will be Thursday, Feb 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, February 27.