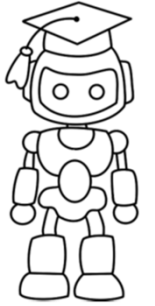


Columbia, SC Section

Section Chair Report
Lightning Round

Columbia Section Report



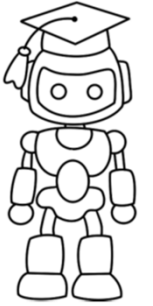
2024 Major Successes:

Section Officers:

- Chair: Angelo Ferraro
- Vice Chair: Michael Birochak
- Secretary: open search
- Treasurer: open search
- Affinity Groups: LM
- Year of Last Election: 2020
- Duration of Term: 5 yrs
- Does Section have separate Bylaws/Operations Manual: N

- Sponsor and co-sponsor several events
 - Past Chair Dr. Bozinovski 2024 LM Outstanding Service Award
 - Benefits and Risks of Affective-Empathic AI, Standards and Ethics
 - Semiconductor Industry Trends
 - Shaping a Sustainable Future: The Role of Standards and Policy in Ethical AI Dev
 - Leveling Up Society: The Transformative Power of Games
 - Automating Empathy in Human-AI Partnerships: Issues, Ethics and Governance
 - Disrupting Healthcare using Deep Data and Remote Monitoring
 - Life Member Lunch Social at Myrtle Beach
 - IEEE PES ATL Technical Talk: The Art & Science of Performance
 - From Generative Promises to Agentic Profits: Paving the AI Road, One Agent at a Time
 - IEEE Columbia Section and LMAG Fall Nature Outing
 - Columbia LMAG co-host w/ Coastal South Carolina Holiday Social
 - Participation in quarterly Senior member roundups

Columbia Section Report



Goals:

- Continue efforts to revitalize the Section, Chapters, Branches and LMAG
- Hold successful Section 2026 election

Milestones:

- Several Events of wide interests
- Past Chair awarded 2024 LM Outstanding Service Award

Obstacles:

- Lackluster section membership participation
- Loss of venue for in-person meetings

Opportunities:

- Secure a viable venue for in-person meetings