

CHAPTER 122

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SOCIETY OF BROADCAST ENGINEERS

Serving the Public through Quality Broadcast Engineering

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Join us for our regular meeting at noon June 8, 2023

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SBE Chapter 122 Meeting Minutes

- Date 5/11/23
- Start 12:50 PM
- End 1:05 PM
- Number of Attendees: 7 SBE Certified: 1
- Presiding Officer: Wes Boyd, Vice President
- Motion to accept minutes from last meeting: Melissa Limpose, Bill King seconded
- Treasurer Report: Mike Orto reports on Chapter finances, SBE National has sent chapter annual rebate check.
- EAS Report by John Clarke: Ohio May RMT delayed by one day due to EOC error
- Frequency Report < 1 GHz: Wes Boyd, nothing to report
- Frequency Report > 1 GHz: Bob Flis: nothing to report
- Old Business: None
- New Business: Discussion of Pending legislation to retain AM Radio in vehicle Dashboard
- Program Speaker: None
- Motion to Adjourn: Bill King/ Seconded: Ben Slagle

Youngstown Area EAS Test Schedule

Both the Ohio AND Western Pennsylvania schedules are posted: WWW.SBE122.US

The 2023 regional information on EAS testing schedules are posted on our website.

From: Broadcasters' Desktop Resource



by Barry Mishkind

5/23/23 – This past week both Houses of Congress introduced the *AM For Every Vehicle Act*, seeking to mandate AM radios in cars sold in the USA. The NAB endorsed the Bills, as did the National Association of Farm Broadcasters. The Bills would require the government set rules for AM radios within a year.

Obviously, some of this has been heard by auto makers: Ford has announced that they have decided to include AM radio in all vehicles – and offer a software update to any Ford EV without AM.

What remains is a statement or plan to deal with all the EVs currently "broadcasting" on the AM band, as they pull alongside other vehicles.

5/22/23 - President Biden has re nominated Anna Gomez to fill the open (fifth) seat on the FCC.

At the same time, Biden nominated Democrat Geoffrey Starks and Republican Brendan Carr to continue as FCC Commissioners for another 5-year term.

5/16/23 – The 30 acre "Tower Park" has been dedicated to the memory of Powel Crosley. The 100 year-old site, still anchored by the iconic WLW tower, will include everything from businesses to a public park. 16 parcels of land are being sold by Vertical Bridge, which bought the site from IHeart Media, at prices ranging from \$650,000 to \$1.2 million each.

Enforcement:

5/31/23 – When you make a statement to the FCC, they expect the truth. Gendreau Broadcast LLC, licensee of KCLN(AM), Clinton, Iowa just received a Memorandum Opinion and Order and Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture (NAL) for \$11k.

The station failed to observe required filing and posting links for the OPIF – and lied about it! They also operated at variance to the Authorization for months, without an STA.

Oh, yes, there was an FM. And for the same violations – aside from the non-authorized operation, an <u>NAL for \$8k</u> was issued.

5/12/23 – LPFMs are not supposed to run commericals... just like NCEFMs.

However, the FCC caught KELS-LP in Greeley, CO running thousands of spots and issued <u>a \$15k Forfeiture</u>

Order to get their attention.

4/25/23 – The EB push to try to do something to limit the pirate broadcasters has now reached the concept of fining landlords \$2 million or so. This week, 16 landlords, mostly in New York City, got letters warning of the fines. This is added to previous such letters. Will it have a significant effect? We await word from the FCC.

4/12/23 – 0.111 – The FCC does not revoke licenses too often, but when confronted with owners who were convicted of a felony, the Commission does act. Roger Wahl, owner of WQZS(FM), Meyersdale, PA, was convicted of one felony and four misdemeanors – related to taking hidden camera pictures of a woman and then posing as her online. The <u>Revocation Order</u> will be effective in May, as the Commission denied Wahl's attempt to transfer the station.

The Virtual Lunch Gathering!

Each Thursday at 2 PM Eastern, 11 AM Pacific, we get together to discuss topics of interest to broadcasters and learn things.

The meeting is held using Zoom to prevent Zoombombing the URL is not published on the web.

Broadcasters Are Invited, (Go to Barry's site) To Get An Invite.

Recordings of the meetings are usually posted a day or so afterward.

At this time, they are being posted at Youtube on the BDRnet channel.

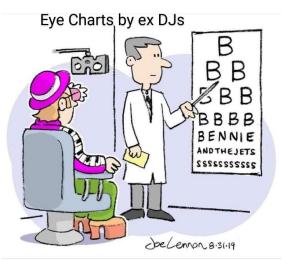
(So you can leave the local SBE 122 meeting, and then check into Barry's meeting for the latest info.)

Thanks to Barry and the BDR, a great source for the latest news of the industry.

A weekly e-mail report.. and it's FREE

First ever photograph of a newly hatched telecom technician (with the egg shell still on top of its head)!







WWW.SBE.ORG

SBE Plans 2023 National Meeting in Columbus

The Society of Broadcast Engineers 2023 SBE National Meeting will be held in Columbus, OH, on Sept. 27-28, 2023. The event will be held in conjunction with the Midwest Broadcast & Multimedia Technology Conference (MBMTC), presented by the Ohio Association of Broadcasters, the Indiana Broadcasters Association, the Kentucky Broadcasters Association and the Michigan Association of Broadcasters.



The Greater Columbus Convention Center

The SBE National Meeting includes the SBE National Awards Reception and Dinner, recognizing outstanding achievement by SBE members and chapters. The SBE will also conduct the SBE Annual Membership Meeting on Sept. 27. The SBE is working on streaming the meeting live so members not

able to attend in person can watch.

The Conference is held Sept. 28 at the Greater Columbus Convention Center. It includes a full day of learning and networking designed specifically with broadcast engineers in mind. The goal is to provide an opportunity to explore best practices, compliance guidance and the latest technology and equipment available.

The SBE National Meeting begins on Wednesday, Sept. 27 with the fall meeting of the national SBE Certification Committee from 2 to 4 p.m. The fall meeting of the SBE Board of Directors will take place from 6 to 10 p.m. Attendance at the Board meeting is open to any SBE member. On Thursday, activities begin with the annual SBE Fellows Breakfast, a reunion of SBE Fellow members including this year's inductee, Stephen J. Brown, CPBE, CBNT. In the afternoon, the one-hour SBE Annual Membership Meeting will be held. Following the Membership Meeting will be a reception, and then the Annual SBE Awards Reception and Dinner. The dinner will feature a guest speaker and the

presentation of the society's major awards, including the Robert W. Flanders SBE Engineer of the Year and James C. Wulliman SBE Educator of the Year awards. The dinner program will conclude with the presentation of the Fellow honor to Brown.

Tickets (\$17) for the SBE Awards Reception and Dinner will go on sale at the SBE website on June 12.

Don't forget to check out the SBE website. <u>WWW.SBE.ORG</u>
Some of the info available..

2023 SBE RF Safety Course Job Security and What to Do If You Are Fired

Last-Mile Solutions for Cloud-Based Broadcasting: Part 2

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2023 Elected Officers and Committees

President: Robert Flis WFMJ TV

Vice President: Wes Boyd Retired/ Semi Homeless, and happy!

Treasurer: Mike Orto WYSU / Youngstown State Univ.
Secretary: John Clarke iHeart Media Youngstown

Financial Manager: Melissa Rogers WYSU 88.5 FM Youngstown State Univ.

Certification: Wes Boyd

Frequency Co-ordination:

1 Ghz and UP Robert Flis Under 1 Ghz Wes Boyd

Newsletter: Wes Boyd

The Spaniards harvested these crystals and sent them by ship back to Europe. It was then that it was first determined how many quartz were in a galleon.



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