



## CHAPTER 122

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# SOCIETY OF BROADCAST ENGINEERS

*Serving the Public through  
Quality Broadcast Engineering*

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## Monthly Meeting

**Join us for our regular meeting at noon September 14, 2023**

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### **SBE Chapter 122 Meeting Minutes**

- Date 8/10/23
- Start 12:31 PM
- End 12:52 PM
- Number of Attendees: 7 SBE Certified: 2
- Presiding Officer: Bob Flis, President
- Motion to accept minutes from last meeting: Bob Flis, second by Mike Orto.
- Treasurer Report: Mike Orto reports on Chapter finances.
- EAS Report by John Clarke: National EAS NPT, October 4th @ 2:30 pm Eastern
- Frequency Report < 1 GHz: Wes Boyd, nothing to report.
- Frequency Report > 1 GHz: Bob Flis: There is now a cap on frequencies above 12.7 GHz (There are none in our region).
- Certification: nothing to report.
- Old Business: Chapter 122 Website is fullay active: SBE122.us  
Ben Slagle and Jim Kuzman Webmasters.
- New Business: None
- Program Speaker: None
- Motion to Adjourn: Melissa Limpose/ Seconded: Bob Fliss

**DON'T FORGET TO RENEW YOUR SBE MEMBERSHIP...**

# Youngstown Area EAS Test Schedule

Both the Ohio AND Western Pennsylvania schedules are posted:

**The 2023 regional information on EAS testing schedules are posted on our website. SBE122.us**



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**From:**



by Barry Mishkind

SBE Chapter 122 would like to pass along our condolences to Barry on the recent passing of his mother.

Anyone wishing to reach Barry directly may do so at: [Barry@OldRadio.com](mailto:Barry@OldRadio.com)

## Latest EAS News

The idea is to bring some clarity to the issues and answer your questions.

For more detail on EAS and some Q&A, please check the [Main EAS Page](#)

8/3/23 – The FEMA has announced the date for the 2023 NPT, now known as the “Nationwide Test of the Emergency Alert System.” The date chosen is October 4th at 2:20 PM Eastern, with a backup date of October 11. The plan is to test EAS and WEA systems.

The FormTwo will be granted an extra day, requiring it to be filed by October 5th. Form Three will be due no later than November 20th. (If you have any changes in station ownership or contacts since earlier this year, you should update your Form One, too, before September 15th.)

You can [access the forms on the ETRS page](#).

8/1/23 – Even before this month’s Open Meeting, the FCC now has decided to issue [an NPRM toward allowing HD stations](#) to run more power on one or both sidebands, and without prior authorization.

7/31/23 – The FCC will open [a window for LPFM applications](#) on November 1st. The one week window will be accompanied by [an Application Freeze](#) station September 1st.

7/31/23 – Starting October 1st, stations are required to file their Ownership Report on Form 323 to report ownership stakes as of October 1st.

Note: The form, Form 323, will not be available on the LMS site until October. So, you can put information together now, but do not waste your time looking for the Form on LMS right now.

6/17/23 – Radio Disney is completely gone. Disney has now sold off its last radio station, a remnant of the Radio Disney network of 40 stations. the [LA station \(KRDC, x-KRLA\) sold for \\$5 million](#).

6/2/23 – Radio listeners are our product, sold to the advertisers. So, reduced listening levels are not only of interest, but potentially bad for the bottom line.

[A recent](#) survey indicates radio listening is on the decline, especially among Gen Z. None of this is really a major surprise, we have long known that Gen Z often denies even knowing what radio is. But how can stations protect themselves in the “new world” of consolidation and streaming. In several ways, it is part of the “is AM dead?” discussion. But, on a larger scale, [is broadcasting itself facing greater challenges](#).

## 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 [theBDRnet 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.

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**Sept 27- 28**

## 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. The other SBE Fellow



**Don't forget to check out the SBE website.**

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## Some of the info available..

[2023 SBE RF Safety Course](#)

[Job Security and What to Do If You Are Fired](#)

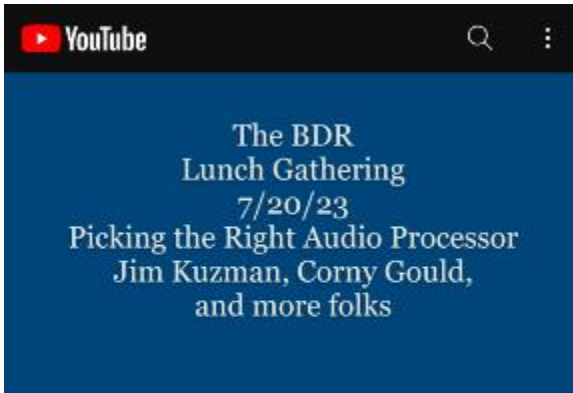
[Last-Mile Solutions for Cloud-Based Broadcasting: Part 2](#)

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### SEPT. 27-28, 2023 SBE National Meeting

Join us in Columbus, OH, for the SBE National Meeting, held in conjunction with the Ohio Association of Broadcasters Midwest Broadcast & Multimedia Technology Conference

In case you wondered why Jim Kuzman can't make our monthly meetings.



How to Pick an Audio Processor on the BDR Lunch Gathering 7/20/23



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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Nc74uxzrDYI>

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### 2023 Elected Officers and Committees

<b>President:</b>	<b>Robert Flis</b>	<b>WFMJ TV</b>
<b>Vice President:</b>	<b>Wes Boyd</b>	<b>Retired/ Semi Homeless, and happy !</b>
<b>Treasurer:</b>	<b>Mike Orto</b>	<b>WYSU / Youngstown State Univ.</b>
<b>Secretary :</b>	<b>John Clarke</b>	<b>iHeart Media Youngstown</b>
<b>Financial Manager:</b>	<b>Melissa Rogers</b>	<b>WYSU 88.5 FM Youngstown State Univ.</b>
<b>Certification:</b>	<b>Wes Boyd</b>	
<b>Frequency Co-ordination:</b>		
<b>1 Ghz and UP</b>	<b>Robert Flis</b>	<b>Under 1 Ghz</b>
<b>Newsletter:</b>	<b>Wes Boyd</b>	<b>Wes Boyd</b>

# FCC boss says 25Mbps isn't cutting it,

Americans deserve 100Mbps now, gigabit later

Wed 26 Jul 2023 // 21:56 UTC

FCC boss Jessica Rosenworcel thinks Americans deserve better broadband than the current minimum speeds of 25Mbps down and 3Mbps up. She has thus proposed boosting these lower bounds at least fourfold, with the "long term" goal of upping this further to 1Gbps down and 500Mbps up.

In a [statement](#) this week, the FCC chairwoman proposed raising the minimum broadband standard to 100Mbps down and 20Mbps up, the first revision in eight years. Prior to 2015, broadband in the US - the nation that created the internet - was defined as at least 4Mbps down and a glacial 1Mbps up.

"In today's world, everyone needs access to affordable, high-speed internet, no exceptions," Rosenworcel said in a statement. "It's time to connect everyone, everywhere. Anything short of 100 percent is just not good enough."

The increase in minimum upload bandwidth is particularly notable in the aftermath of the COVID-19 pandemic and the shift to remote work and school. If you're collaborating remotely, a decent uplink and low latency are ideal.

The proposed change would bring the broadband standard in line with existing broadband development programs, like the Enhanced Alternative Connect America Cost Model (A-CAM), which was [adopted](#) by the FCC earlier this week.

Originally launched in 2016, A-CAM is a voluntary program that provides financial incentives to ISPs that deploy broadband service in under-served regions. To qualify for the Enhanced A-CAM program and the \$13.5 billion in funding it affords over the next 10 years, service providers will now be required to offer speeds of at least 100/20Mbps.





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FCC Home Consumer Inquiries and Complaint Center

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**File a complaint**

If your complaint is about a telecom billing or service issue, we will serve your complaint on your provider. Your provider has 30 days to send you a response to your complaint. We encourage you to contact your provider to resolve your issue prior to filing a complaint.

**Phone** **Internet**

**Share your experience with data caps**

**Data Caps**

Share your unique experiences and challenges regarding data caps on your fixed or mobile broadband plans. Sharing your broadband data cap experience is not the same as filing a complaint. Your filing will not be served on your provider and you will not hear back from the FCC.

**File an ACP complaint**

If your complaint is about an Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) billing or service issue, we will serve your

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