

SBE 141 Meeting Report and Newsletter

April 2007

by Chapter Chair, Rick Carrara

April Chapter 141 Luncheon Meeting

We held our April meeting on the 12th at the Hungry Woodsman. There were 20 engineers attending the meeting. Here's my report on the meeting proceedings:

Opening/Introductions

I called the meeting to order and introduced my self as the Chief Engineer for KDRV-TV and the Chapter 141 Chair. We started the meeting off with each person giving their name and business affiliation (if any). There were many familiar faces in the crowd, and we were joined by Al Jason of Dielectric.

Unfinished Business

2007 Chapter Officer Elections

Our first election deadline is July 11th – by that date the Nominations Committee will have disseminated to all members a slate of proposed officers. This year's election will be held at our October 11th meeting.

Nominations and Election Committees

We thanked Mike Gary and Allan Steinberg for volunteering to serve on this year's Nominations Committee. Allan gave us a quick report on how the committee is doing. The Nominations Committee has contacted our members to see who would be willing to run for any of the chapter offices this year. So far, Ludwell Sibley has expressed interest in running for Secretary of Treasurer.

If you have any questions regarding officer duties please feel free to contact Ellis, Rem, Keane or me.

We still need to appoint an Election Committee. The Election Committee will oversee the election, tally the ballots and certify the election results. They will file a simple election report form with the National SBE office in November. Please contact me if you are willing to help out on the Election Committee.

Chapter Membership

We now have a total of 19 Members with 7 who are also certified by the SBE. We have increased our membership from 12 last year to 19 this year!

This is the time of year to join since renewals come up in April of each year. If you have questions or you'd like more information about the benefits of membership, please feel free to contact any of the Chapter Officers or visit http://www.sbe.org/join_index.php .

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Unfinished Business (continued)

Current Chapter 141 members:

Mike Bach – Kathrein / Scala Division

Matt Boughton – SOPTV

Rick Carrara – KDRV

Jon Clark – Dielectric

Billy Cunningham, (CPBE)

John Cyr

Ellis Feinstein – Kathrein / Scala Division

Mike Gary – KMVU – 2007 Nominations Committee

Mike Johnson – Kathrein / Scala Division

Keane Laguatan (CBT) – KDRV

Rem Roberti (CBT) – KDRV

David Rose (CPBE) – JPR

Karl Sargent – COBI

Ludwell Sibley (CSBE)

Keith Silvester – KDRV

Allan Steinberg (CBT) – KDRV – 2007 Nominations Committee

Joe Torsitano (CBRE) – KAJO/KLDR

Scott Werner – KDRV

Tom Werner – SOPTV

New Business

Email List Subscribe Link On The WWW.SBE141.ORG Web Site

Just a reminder that for your convenience there is a link on the SBE141.ORG website at the middle of the right hand bar entitled “SBE141 Mailing List” that will take you to a form that you can subscribe to or unsubscribe from our ALL@SBE141.ORG mailing list. This list is for chapter communications only so we can send out meeting agendas, reports, notification of upcoming programs and other chapter related communications. Please encourage anyone who you think might be interested in our chapter activities to sign up for the mailing list. We promise not to give out the names or emails on the list to anyone.

Programs

We continue to invite meeting attendees (not just SBE members) to make recommendations for program topics and vendors. Please give your suggestions to any of the Chapter Officers or you can email your ideas to secretary@sbe141.org.

Chapter Member Business

I asked the membership if there was any other new business for discussion, and there was none.

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Program

Our program presenter was Al Jason, regional sales manager of Dielectric Communications Inc.

Al gave the television broadcasters a heads up on the FCC DTV deadline. The basic message was, “Don’t wait until the last minute to place your orders for antennas and transmitters. Manufacturers’ resources are limited and if you order late you may not be able to install your new transmission equipment on time.”

He then introduced us to the Broadcast LED Program for 300mm incandescent beacon replacements.

Finally, he showed us the RF Scout monitoring system.

We thanked Al for a very interesting presentation; and we thanked Dielectric for providing lunch.

Next Meeting

Special notice: our next meeting will be held at KOB1’s Studio C on Thursday, May 3rd. Larry Bloomfield will be bringing the Taste of NAB road show to Medford. Larry will be setting up on Wednesday and he promises the show will be well prepared.

Lunch will be provided – please visit www.sbe141.org and click on the red “Register Now” button. This will take you to the “Registration and Lunch Selection” page. Please enter your name and choose your sandwich and side choice. Click the send button and you’re good to go.

You do not need to be a member of the SBE to attend the meeting. Please share this meeting notice with anyone you think might benefit from the Taste of NAB road show.

We can not guarantee a lunch will be available for those who do not register.