

## Thanks for a Great 2011

There will be no speaker for this month.

Since we will not have a December gathering, Steve Schultheis, our Vice Chair, will announce the results of the electronic voting in the middle of this month via an IEEE e-notice.



As your Section Chair this year, I thank you for your membership and partnership in our Section and its activities. We exist to support you, and your professional development and life-long learning. If there is anything I or the 2012 Board can do to in this regard, please let anyone of us know of your needs.

Thanks also go to the entire 2011 Board of Directors who have worked hard to bring in great speakers and to keep the Section fiscally sound and running well. Acknowledgements also go to our University of Wisconsin Student Chapter for their leadership and vibrant participation.

On behalf of the Board, thanks go to the sponsors of our Section, and for the valuable opportunities and services they provide to the Section and to its members. We also thank all of the universities and colleges in and around Madison for their partnership in hosting many a speaker since our Section began over 100 years ago.

As a preview to 2012, here is a tentative list of speakers (subject to change):

- January - The E.U. Electronic Freight Software Initiative - David Marca
- February - Patent Law for Inventors - James Joyce
- March (tentative) - Amateur Radio Repair - Michael Lewis
- April (tentative) - Sector67 Hacker Space Tour
- May - Network Coding, Distinguished Lecturer - Abdelhak Zoubir
- June - Open
- September - Open
- October - International Trademark Law - Rick Abegglen
- November - Open
- December - Open

Lastly, to you and yours, may you have the very best holiday season and New Years.

David A. Marca  
Section Chair, 2011

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## **SECTION Meetings**

The third Thursday of Jan.-May and Sep.-Dec. is reserved for a meeting to provide recent research, developments, trends and/or innovations in one of our membership's technical areas.

## **NETWORKING Meetings**

The first Thursday of every other month is reserved for a meeting to provide networking opportunities for members who are consultants or entrepreneurs. Bring your elevator speech and rolodex!

## **Section Meeting Schedule for 2012**

(schedule subject to change)



**January 19**, EU e-Freight Software Initiative

**February 16**, Patent Law

**March 15**, TBD

**April 19**, TBD

**May 4**, Network Coding, Distinguished Lecture

**June 21**, TBD

**September 20**, TBD

**October 18**, International Trademarks

**November 15**, TBD

**December 20**, TBD

## **Networking Meeting Schedule for 2012**

(schedule subject to change)

**February 2**, TBD

**April 5**, TBD

**June 7**, TBD

**August 2**, TBD

**October 4**, TBD

**December 6**, TBD

#### Selection of Officers

At the December monthly meeting, the IEEE Madison Section conducted its annual officer elections prior to the presentation:

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