

# South Area Report

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IEEE Region 2 Meeting

# IEEE R2 South Area Sections and Chairs

- **Washington, D.C.**

- Chair, Monica Taysing-Lara



- **Northern Virginia (NoVA)**

- Chair, Mithun Banerjee



- **Baltimore**

- Chair, David Price



# Area Meeting - October 20, 2012 (Baltimore, MD)

- **Purpose of the Meeting**
  - Improve member engagement and help the sections develop definitive plans.
- All 3 sections had good representation and very active round table discussions.
- Reviewed and discussed:
  - Section Survey Analysis, Vitality Checklist
  - Membership Development/Member Engagement presentation (PPT, Murty/Javvad).

# Some Common Challenges Identified

- Lack of infrastructure to support leadership. This leads to inability to support section, chapter/society programs
- Attrition, the need for volunteers (“new blood”)
  - NoVa and Washington, D.C. are without PACE Chairs
- Not enough collaboration among the Sections

# Discussion of Proposed Approaches

- Recognition of volunteers at all levels.
- Focus on membership drives, training for leadership.
- Use teleconferencing/web-conferencing tools increase efficiencies, effectiveness, productivity of leadership team.
- Improve public awareness of engineering and IEEE.

# Proposed Approaches (cont'd)

- Engage membership in activities – overcome gap between entities/region
  - Outreach to students
  - Outreach to universities, colleges, etc. (“Partnering with Universities”)
  - Similarly, “Partnering with Industry”
- Engage with Chapters/Technical Societies in organizing professional activities
- Welcome and follow up/orient new members to the section and local activities (Welcome Package)

# Additional Thoughts...

- Past R2 Director and Baltimore Chair, John Dentler reminded everyone about what IEEE stands for (*Inspire, Engage, Enable, Empower*)
  
- Include:
  - Scholarships
  - Activities that grow more money, more autonomy for future activities
  - Charge for something, then use that to fund a future type of event

# Washington Section IEEE

## Officers

Chair: Monica Taysing-Lara  
Vice Chair: Richard Hill  
Secretary: Carolyn Carroll  
Treasurer: Christian Magna

Membership: Aprox. 3863

## Achievables

- 1) STEM Fair in local Counties.
- 2) DC Robotics
- 3) Career Days with Local Schools (WIE)
- 4) Pace Events with Local Colleges.
- 5) ADCOM monthly meeting
- 6) Leadership Training

## More Items

**PACE Activities**  
**Scanner Newsletter**  
**Technical Chapters**

## Issues & Concerns

- Member advancement
- Roberts' Rules
- Professional Activities
- Conference Policies



# IEEE Northern Virginia Section

## Officers

Chair: Mithun Banerjee  
Treasurer: James Cross-Cole  
Secretary: Rhonda Farrell  
Past Chair : Jeff Poston  
Pace Chair : Michael Cardinale  
Conference Chair: Hossein Roufarshbaf  
Scanner Editor-In-Chief: Monica Mallini  
Council Chapters : 3\*  
Technical Society Chapters : 26\*  
Affinity Groups : 5\* (SIGHT-In-Progress)  
Others : Employment Network(New)  
(\* = Some of them jointly operated)  
Membership : Approx.5441-Largest Section  
in Region 2 and ten Largest in IEEE-USA.

## 2013 Calendar of Events

- 1) 4/18 Employment Network.
- 2) 5/14 Spring 2013 Symposium of Mid Atlantic Micro/Nano Alliance (MAMNA).
- 3) 5/25 IEEE Northern Virginia & Washington DC Section Awards Banquet.
- 4) 9/10th to 9/12th 2013 IEEE Engineering, Security & Project(ESP) Professionals Conference-joint venture with PMI & ISSA.

Section Adcom Meetings: 4/10, 5/8, 6/12.

## Section Chair's Priorities for 2013

- 1) Employment Support for Unemployed Members
- 2) Reduce Registration for Unemployed Members
- 3) Scanner Publication to be Self-Sustaining
- 4) Support Student and GOLD for Future Membership
- 5) Annual Conference between IEEE, PMI & ISSA
- 6) IEEE-USA Alliance with Northern Virginia Section
- 7) Chapter and Volunteer Recognition for Volunteers
- 8) Student Scholarship Program for Financial help
- 9) Senior Member Drive for Qualified Members
- 10) Represent Scanner in IEEE Sections Congress

## Issues & Concerns

- 1) Lack of support from Region 2 for Annual Conference between IEEE, PMI & ISSA.
- 2) Lack of support from Region 2 for Employment Network.
- 3) More Volunteer Training needed from Region 2.
- 4) Region 2 Website needs timely updates.
- 5) Region 2 needs to encourage more involvements of younger professionals from GOLD.
- 6) Region 2 Officers shouldn't be in Office for more than 2 years except unavailability of New Volunteers to get new and fresh ideas.

# Baltimore Section 2013

## Officers

Chair: David Price  
Vice Chair: Collin Kreps  
Treasurer: Kate Duncan  
Secretary: Vinod Mishra

Membership: 7648

## Up Coming Activities

**Annual Awards Banquet & Gala**

**Date:** 08-May-2013

**Time:** 05:30PM to 10:00PM

**Monthly Executive Committee Meetings**

**New Fellows (Class of 2013) elected  
in this Section**

**Louis Whitcomb**

**Steve Alexander**

## Chapters

Aerospace and Electronic Systems

Antennas and Propagation/Microwave Theory and Techniques

Communications

Education

Electromagnetic Compatibility

Electron Devices/Solid State Circuits

Engineering in Medicine and Biology

Industry Applications

Photonics

Power and Energy

Power Electronics

Reliability

Signal Processing

# Baltimore Goals 2013

- Senior Membership Drive
  - January
    - Completed successfully January 26, although turnout low
- Robot Challenge
  - January – April
    - Completed successfully April 7, 55 teams competed
- Summer Picnic
  - August
- Senior Membership Drive
  - October
- WiSEE Conference
  - November 7-9

# Area Initiative: Targeted support K-12

- Identified Need
  - Schools ask for Engineers to help as mentors for technology classes, and to judge various science/engineers fairs
- Resolved with Action
  - The Baltimore section in conjunction with sister Engineering societies in Baltimore contacted members based on ZIP codes that are close to the schools making the requests. We have had very good response to these requests. (*Lead, Jeff Friedhoffer*)

Each Section can do the same thing with SAMIEEE.

# Achievable Goal for 2013: Each Section to Host & Organize Area PDS

- Baltimore Section: **May 4, 2013** - IEEE R2 South Area One-Day Professional Development Seminar Talks (Baltimore Section)
- [https://meetings.vtools.ieee.org/meeting\\_view/list\\_meeting/18063](https://meetings.vtools.ieee.org/meeting_view/list_meeting/18063)
  - *"Managing Your Career Lifecycle"*
  - *"Planning for Retirement-Making Work Optional"*
  - *"10 Things You Need to Know About Tomorrow Today"*
- Washington, D.C. Section: **May 18, 2013** (tentative) – IEEE R2 South Area Leadership Training
- NoVa Section: TBD



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**THANK YOU!**