IEEE-Boise Section Newsletter
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From the Chair (Randy Rannow, pi-boson@ieee.org)
Thank you for your membership in IEEE. You are receiving this newsletter because you are a member of the IEEE-Boise section. Previous newsletters are on our section web site at https://site.ieee.org/boise/archive/.

Please feel free to forward this newsletter to any of your friends and colleagues who may be interested in what IEEE has to offer. Let them know one benefit of joining IEEE is the opportunity to network with other professionals in your local area or within a specific technical interest. There’s much more information about the benefits of IEEE membership at https://ieee.org/join.

Upcoming Local Events
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Other Upcoming IEEE Events
Learn more about these events at the links provided.

- Leveraging IEEE to promote your career, by Tom Coughlin, July 15, 7pm MDT, https://events.vtools.ieee.org/m/274616
- Neuroengineering Solutions for Restoring Brain Functions, IEEE-OC EMBS talk, July 19, 1pm MDT, https://events.vtools.ieee.org/m/274305
- LinkedIn and Standing Out, IEEE-USA, July 22, 12pm MDT, https://events.vtools.ieee.org/m/275166
- IEEE Region 6 students 5G Summit, July 24-25, https://events.vtools.ieee.org/m/275938
- IEEE MOVE Community Outreach Program, SusTech talk, July 27, 7pm, https://events.vtools.ieee.org/m/276600

Find out about more upcoming events at these links:
• **Region 6** (western US) web site: [https://ieee-region6.org/events/category/meetings/](https://ieee-region6.org/events/category/meetings/)
• **IEEE Virtual Events Calendar** - Major upcoming events and those now available on demand. [https://spectrum.ieee.org/static/ieee-virtual-events-calendar](https://spectrum.ieee.org/static/ieee-virtual-events-calendar)
• **IEEE App**. For a comprehensive listing of all IEEE events, including chapter, section and student branch meetings, use the IEEE app available on Google Play and Apple’s App Store. Download the IEEE app today. [https://app.ieee.org/](https://app.ieee.org/)

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Updates from the Boise State Electrical and Computer Engineering program

• The Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering at Boise State University is looking for qualified professionals and educators to teach the ECE330/L Microprocessors course and lab. For more information or to apply contact or email your resume/curriculum vitae to Dr. Nader Raflla (nraflla@boisestate.edu), Professor and Chair of the ECE Department.

Section Volunteers Needed

As an IEEE member in the Boise section, you are invited to participate in our section operations committee (OpComm). We meet virtually at noon on the third Thursday of the month. The meeting link varies, so the best way to stay informed is to subscribe to our IEEE Boise OpComm mailing list. Contact Walter Bruehl (bruehlwalter@gmail.com) to be added to the mailing list.

The Boise section is currently seeking volunteers for the following positions:

• Education Activities Chair (Professional education and K-12 STEM outreach activities)
• Student Activities Chair - Your principal responsibility is to promote student activities in all student branches within our section. You will be working with student officers and branch counselors as well as your Regional leadership team to ensure that our section has a strong and vital student activities program.
• Signal Processing Society Chapter Chair
• Membership Development (MD) Chair

If you are interested in any of these positions or volunteering for another role within the section, please contact Randy Rannow at pi-boson@ieee.org.

Our current section officers are listed on our website at https://site.ieee.org/boise/contact/.

Future Newsletters

If you have a topic you’d like to suggest or an article you’d like to contribute to a future newsletter, please send it to Chris Gunning at cgunning@ieee.org. Thank you!