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Our next meeting is Tuesday March 16th at noon via Microsoft Teams. Nick VanHaaster of Gates Air presents the program this month.

Chairman's Corner:

March is here. Although we approach the one-year mark of broadcasting changing in some significant ways, it finally may also be seeing a light at the end of the tunnel. Just a few notes to pass along from the SBE.

Membership Drive

Sponsor a new Member, Associate Member or Sustaining Member between March 1 and May 31, 2021, and you will be eligible for the prize drawings. For each approved new [member application](#) you sponsor you will earn \$5 off your 2022 membership dues, up to \$25. If you recruit three or more Regular or Associate Members, or one Sustaining Member, you will also receive an upgrade to [SBE MemberPlus](#) for the remainder of the 2021 membership period. (If you already hold SBE MemberPlus, the benefit will be added for 2022.)

Each new member application may have only one sponsor. Applications must be received at the SBE National Office between March 1 and May 31, 2021, to be eligible.

Membership Renewal

In early February, you should have received your annual membership renewal in the mail. You [can renew online](#) or through the mail* by returning the form, but you should do so before the April 1 deadline. Do not risk losing any of your member benefits. Membership dues are the same as last year at \$85 for traditional membership and \$175 for SBE MemberPlus. If you did not receive your renewal in the mail, you can still renew online. Contact Scott Jones with questions at 317-846-9000 or kjones@sbe.org.

Upcoming Webinars

The SBE offers so many educational opportunities; I really want to make sure you do not miss the one that fits where you are in your career path. The ones in the not-to-distant-future are:

Have you checked out the SBE Chapter on the Web? This month, the WEBxtra is John Mailhot, CTO & director of product management, infrastructure & networking, Imagine Communications, to talk with SBE Social Networking Committee Chair Kirk Harnack, CBRE, CBNE, about SMPTE

ST 2110.

While there has been plenty of promise of what ST 2110 can bring to a facility, we will discuss the practical aspects of stations implementing routing, switching, and other infrastructure concerns with ST 2110 standards. We will cover the advice and warnings for broadcasters who want to rebuild or upgrade their facilities with an eye toward thoroughly modernizing to an IP infrastructure.

Watch the SBE WEBxtra live on **March 15** on the [SBE YouTube channel](#) and [GFQ Network](#). We'll also try to provide a link on the [SBE Chapters Facebook](#) group. We'll post the recording on the [SBE YouTube channel](#) a day or so later.

Other upcoming webinars include:

[Cybersecurity for Remote Transmitter Sites](#)

March 18, 2021 | 2 p.m. ET

This presentation will explain how broadcast engineers can effectively integrate remote transmitter site operation including studio, NOC and field access while keeping the IT department happy. Topics covered include: the impact of cybersecurity breaches; specific vulnerabilities to IoT devices; why off-the-shelf-solutions fail; the need for science; how business and tech can coexist safely; why NOCs create special challenges; and how to choose cloud vs on-premises. Brian Reese, President, Reese Tower Services, presents. [Register now](#)

Retirement

Also, congratulations on Richard and Joy Wood retiring after 40 years in broadcasting. Many of us have had chances to spend time with them through our careers. For more on their retirement, look a little further into this newsletter.

Next Meeting

Looking forward to our next SBE meeting on Tuesday March 16th at noon. Nick VanHaaster of Gates Air presents the program this month. His topics will include:

1. Making the Most of your Tech Infrastructure
2. Point to Point OR High Density – You Pick?
3. Introducing: Ascent Media Gateway | The STL Codec for both Audio & Video
4. Learn about what signal distribution challenges other broadcasters are experiencing, what connection types are available today and how A/V is being distributed in the most cost efficient manner.

You can join us via Microsoft Teams again, thanks to John Pfankuch. Here is the connection info:

Join on your computer or mobile app [Click here to join the meeting](#)

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Enjoy your retirement, Richard and Joy!



Rich and Joy Wood
March 1, 2021

Richard and Joy Wood to Retire

After 40 years of doing projects for the Broadcasting Industry, Richard and Joy Wood are announcing their retirement. As married business partners, they were the owners of Skyline Communications from 1980 to 1999, specializing in tower construction and maintenance work. With over 500 towers built and many feet of structures maintained, the two of them then formed Resonant Results. This firm focused on testing and troubleshooting Broadcasting antenna systems plus providing in the field project logistics and installation services for station construction and refits.

We have worked with so many good people and we would like to thank all of you for help and support over these many years.

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