



# The Society of Broadcast Engineers

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**April 2009**

The next meeting of Chapter 80 SBE will be at the Roxy Supper Club in Oshkosh at noon on April 28<sup>th</sup> one week later than usual . Our program is a tour of the AT&T U-verse facility.

### Chairman's Corner

Our April meeting of SBE Chapter 80 will be held on the 28<sup>th</sup> in Oshkosh. Noon lunch reservations have been made at the Roxy Supper Club, 571 N. Main Street in Oshkosh. Following lunch and a brief business meeting, we will tour the AT&T U-verse head end located at 315 Algoma Blvd., a short distance from the restaurant. Ample parking is available. Brian Kawczynski, AT&T Video Operations Manager will be our host and tour guide. Pre-registration was required for this tour as the guest list had to be approved in advance by AT&T. Our thanks to Brian for the tour, and Bill Hubbard for making the arrangements.

Following the tour, the facilities of Titan TV and WRST will also be available for a tour, for those who want to stop by.

Our March meeting of Chapter 80 was held on Tuesday, March 17, 2009, at the Out 'O Town Club in Kaukauna. Our Guest speaker was Mike Troje from Continental Electronics, speaking on the topic, "Transmission Technologies and Spectrum Considerations for Digital Radio." Our thanks to Mike for the presentation and hosting the lunch!



### Upcoming events:

April 18-23, 2009 – NAB 2009, Las Vegas, NV

Tuesday, April 28, 2009 – SBE Chapter 80 –tour of AT&T U-verse headend in Oshkosh

Tuesday, May 12, 2009 – Camera Corner Technology Expo 2009, KI Convention Center, Green Bay, WI. For information and to register: [www.cccp.com](http://www.cccp.com) or contact Mary Phillips at 920-438-0343

Tuesday, May 19, 2009 – SBE Chapter 80 – Presentation by Broadcasters General Store

Wednesday, June 17, 2009 – SBE/WBA Summer Engineering Workshop at the Ostoff Resort in Elkhart Lake, WI. Register online at: [www-wi-broadcasters.org](http://www-wi-broadcasters.org)

I look forward to seeing you on Tuesday, April 28, 2009 at noon at the Roxy Supper Club in Oshkosh!

Regards,

Keith M. Kintner

### 2009 SBE Certification Application and Exam Schedule


Exam Date(s)	Location	Application Deadline
April 21, 2009	NAB, Las Vegas	April 1, 2009
June 5-15, 2009	Local Chapters	April 17, 2009
August 7-17, 2009	Local Chapters	June 5, 2009
November 6-16, 2009	Local Chapters	September 18, 2009



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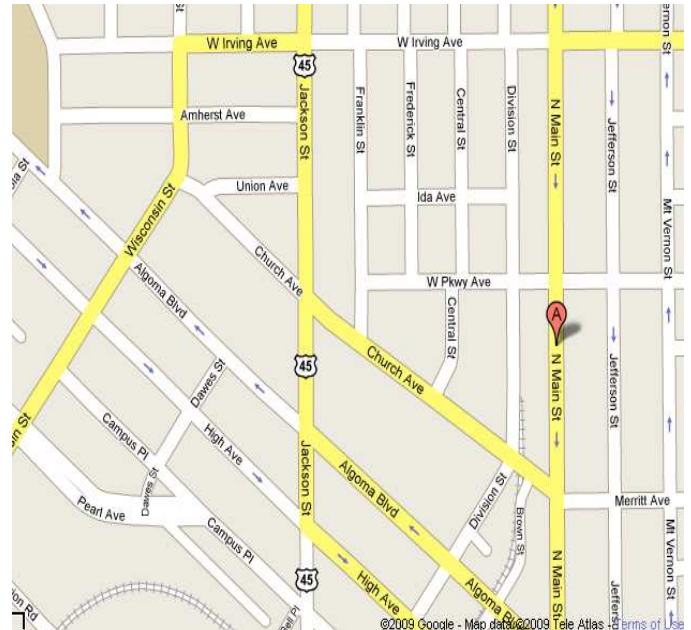
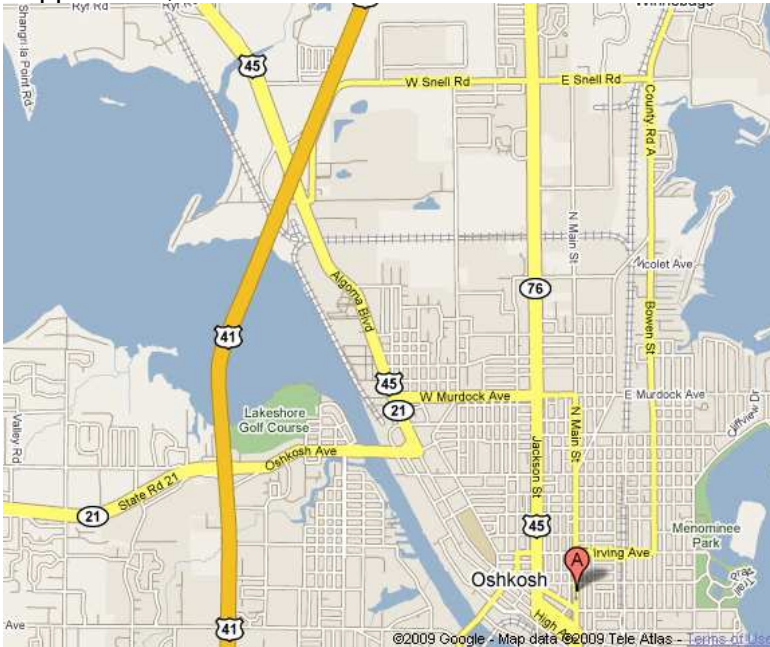
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**URGENT UPDATE!**

Our meeting lunch location for April 28<sup>th</sup> has changed. We will meet for noon lunch at the Roxy Supper Club, 571 N. Main Street in Oshkosh.



From there we will travel the short distance to the AT&T building for our tour of the U-verse head end. You must have preregistered with Bill last month to attend the tour. (images and maps by Google)




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**Certification News** Congratulations to Mark Heller on getting his Television Operator license. With the digital conversion taking place, 2009 will see some changes in the certification technical material. The Certification Committee is working on a complete review and update of the of the multiple choice question pool to replace the current CertPreview. The Television Operators Certification Handbook 7<sup>th</sup> Edition was completed last November and was what Mark used to prepare for his test.


2008 was a good year for certification. 2009 looks like it could be just as well starting out with 89 exams scheduled for February. 2008 had 432 new certification, 284 recertifications and 82 applications waiting for approval at the council or national level. There were also 44 applications for Life Certification.

If you have the opportunity to attend NAB this year, don't forget the SBE Membership Meeting on Tuesday April 21<sup>st</sup> at 1700 in the South Hall. They haven't determined the room yet so stop by the SBE booth located in the South Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor concourse, Lobby Booth 27 to find the meeting room. The South Hall is also the location for the NAB Engineering Conference. *(from the SBE)*

**Camera Corner Technology Expo Tuesday May 12<sup>th</sup>.** This year's theme is 'Riding the wave of technology'. It will be at the KI Convention Center in Green Bay from 8:30am to 3:30pm. Preregister at <http://www.cccp.com/registration.php?EventID=1&Type=New>

Chapter Elections. Elections will be held at our April meeting or contact our Chairman with your votes

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**April 20-24, 2009 - Wisconsin Tornado and Severe Weather Awareness Week**  
**Drill Day is Thursday April 23, 2009 from 1 to 2 PM.**

The week of April 20-24, 2009 is Tornado & Severe Weather Awareness Week in Wisconsin. The Wisconsin Emergency Management team and the five National Weather Service Forecast Offices that service Wisconsin are asking that everyone take time to go over their safety plans so that they will be ready when severe weather strikes.

On Thursday, April 23th, a mock tornado drill will be conducted, with a mock tornado watch issued for all of Wisconsin and the adjacent coastal waters of Lake Michigan and Lake Superior at 1 P.M. On NOAA Weather Radio All Hazard this mock tornado watch will be broadcast as a Required Weekly Test (RWT). Additionally, on the NOAA Weather Wire, the test watch will appear in the product identifier of WCN (Watch County Notification) issued by each of the 5 NWS offices. Some of the newer weather radios will not receive the tone-activation for the RWT, however, you will hear the mock tornado watch message in the weather radio broadcast cycle if you turn your radio on. Between 1:10 and 1:55 P.M., each of the five NWS offices will issue mock tornado warnings. Likewise, the mock tornado warnings will be broadcast on NOAA Weather Radio All Hazards as a Required Weekly Test (RWT). Additionally, the test tornado warnings will be issued on the NOAA Weather Wire system by the 5 NWS offices in a test TOR product identifier. Some of the newer weather radios will not receive the tone-activation for the RWT, however, you will hear the mock tornado warning message in the weather radio broadcast cycle if you turn your radio on. At 2 P.M the mock tornado drill will end. [http://www.crh.noaa.gov/mkx/?n=severe\\_weather\\_awareness](http://www.crh.noaa.gov/mkx/?n=severe_weather_awareness)

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