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SBE 74 NEWSLETTER

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SOCIETY OF BROADCAST ENGINEERS

CHAPTER 74 - MIDLANDS

Eastern Nebraska and Western Iowa

www.sbe74.org

February 19, 2010

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The next SBE74 event will be in downtown Omaha.

We will meet at Farrell's, 902 Dodge St, Omaha NE, 68102

<http://www.farrellssportsbar.com/location.html>

Get there at 11:15 AM to order your lunch.

We will have the meeting and eat with plans to leave the restaurant at 12:15 PM. The tour is just a few blocks away.

The Program is a Technical Tour of the Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas St.

There is lots of new equipment which will be very interesting to learn about.

www.omahaperformingarts.org

We will meet in the main lobby at 12:30 PM to begin the tour. The tour will last 60-90 minutes. You may park in the 12th Street Arrival Plaza located on the east side of the building.

Our tour guide is: Stephen Lahowetz - *House Manager* - Omaha Performing Arts

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Nominations are open for SBE74 Officers. Elections will be in March.

Jim Leedham and Jim Skinner are the nominations committee.

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Nebraska Broadcasters Association & SBE

Engineering Convention

Is scheduled for Thursday, August 12, 2010,

9:00 AM to 3:00 PM (Tentative times)

Four Programs are planned including:

- Tektronix

- Corrosion protection for towers (Sioux Falls Tower)
- Sage CAP Digital Endecs

The new Nebraska EAS SECC will be meeting at the convention as well.

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If you are an SBE member you should have a renewal notice already from national. Get that filled out and send it in while it is fresh on your mind.

If you are not a member yet, this is a great time to sign up. Go to www.sbe.org and tell them Chapter 74 Midlands sent you!

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FCC Approves FM Digital Radio Power Increase

Most HD FM Radio stations are able to increase digital power by 6dB immediately (-14dBc). Application process for increase to 10dBc has been established. Also the process for interference complaints has been established.

See:

<http://www.fcc.gov/mb/audio/includes/23-digital.htm>

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700 MHz Wireless Mics must Stop Use by June 12, 2010

The FCC has set the date for wireless audio devices to be off of the 698MHz-806MHz band. For more information go to:

<http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/wirelessmicrophones/>

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2010 EAS REQUIRED MONTHLY TEST (RMT) NEBRASKA SCHEDULE

- March 16, 2010 Tuesday 9:00 AM
- April 15, 2010 Thursday 11:00 PM
- May 10, 2010 Monday 10:00 AM
- June 8, 2010 Tuesday 11:00 PM

July 13, 2010 Tuesday 9:00 AM
August 12, 2010 Thursday 11:00 PM
September 15, 2010 Wednesday 10:00 AM
October 12, 2010 Tuesday 11:00 PM
November 9, 2010 Tuesday 9:00 AM
December 16, 2010 Thursday 11:00 PM

From Nebraska Emergency Management Agency
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The National SBE Certification Committee has established the following exam dates.
Choose the SBE Certification exam period that is best for you.

<u>Exam Dates</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Application Deadline</u>
April 13, 2010	NAB	March 26, 2010
June 4-14, 2010	Local Chapters	April 16, 2010
August 6-16, 2010	Local Chapters	June 4, 2010
November 5-15, 2010	Local Chapters	September 17, 2010

To find out about SBE Certification go to:
www.sbe.org/cert_index.php
Contact Jim Leedham, Chapter74 Certification Chair
402-422-1600, <mailto:jleedham3@cox.net>

You may also contact Megan at the national SBE Certification Office:
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Phone: 317-846-9000

Study software is available for a cost.

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All officers are elected yearly in March.

Committee Chairs are appointed by the Chapter Chair.

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SBE MEMBERSHIP

If you wish to become a member of the Society of Broadcast Engineers, go to

<http://www.SBE.org>

and click "Join SBE" at the top of the web page.

Or call the National SBE office at: (317) 846-9000.

Or email <mailto:kjones@sbe.org>

The benefits of SBE membership are many, you can read all about it at:

http://www.sbe.org/join_index.php

You are welcome to attend SBE74 Chapter meetings as our guest anytime you wish. Come and meet fellow broadcast professionals and learn, while you have fun! There are no local dues, just join national at <http://www.sbe.org> when you are ready and tell them the Chapter 74 newsletter sent you!

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MIDLANDS CHAPTER WEBSITE

Visit the SBE74 website at:

<http://www.sbe74.org>

for info on the SBE in Eastern Nebraska and Western Iowa.

Including: Omaha, Council Bluffs, Lincoln and Sioux City.

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The SBE74 NEWSLETTERS are sent to members of the Midlands Chapter, as well as sponsors and friends who wish to know what the Chapter is doing.

This email letter is edited by Jim Skinner. If you wish to be removed from this email list, know of any addresses to add, would like to offer an article, or have any corrections send an email

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Thanks for reading about the Society of Broadcast Engineers and Chapter 74!