



Venue #46



The Society of Broadcast Engineers, Inc.

Chapter 122

Trumbull, Mahoning and Columbiana Counties in Ohio
Mercer and Lawrence Counties in Pennsylvania

Tuesday, August 26, 2008

This was fourth time the Taste of NAB Road Show was brought to the broadcast community of Youngstown, OH, TV market #106. We had fourteen in. This was a mostly radio group with only one television engineer in attendance.

I appreciate the efforts of SBE Chapter 122's chairman, Mike Heim in putting this all together. I'm also aware that he was very disappointed that we didn't get a better turnout. Having been in this business for a while, I've grown used to unforeseen circumstances spoiling the best laid plans of mice and men. I know that Mike really tried his best and that's all any of us can ask for. After things were over, I found out that many of the local broadcast engineers were out getting ready to do remotes from what I was told is the largest county fair in Ohio.

I also appreciate the assistance we got from John Clarke, Clear Channel Youngstown's Director of Engineering for hosting us once again. It's always difficult when putting together a list of folks to thank without unintentionally leaving some off.

We did have the local JVC rep, Tom Shirilla, show up for a few minutes about the time the meeting started. He didn't stay for any appreciable time; only long enough to have a sandwich and leave. I wouldn't have known who he was if it weren't for the JVC nametag he sported.

There was marked interest in the Trilithic EAS system. Those present were quite interested in the ability for it to be used in more than one operation at the same time as would be the case at the half dozen Clear Channel radio stations located where we were presenting. There was also interest in both the JK Audio technology as well as the technology we had with us from Henry Engineering.

As mentioned above, there was only one television engineer present and he was able to extol the virtues of his Axcera transmitter. He related a story about how, when his station drove to the Axcera factory in nearby Pennsylvania, picked up a new transmitter, returned, install it and had it on the air within 24 hours without a hitch. He said that the Axcera support would be difficult to beat.

If you are interested in who won what door prizes and pictures of this event, you can see them when I get them posted soon on our website at: <http://www.tech-notes.tv/2008/47-Youngstown.htm>.

We were asked by nearly all present to return again next year.

The following comments were received since our last report from folks who attended our presentations. These e-mails are unedited except as noted. The "To" line has been deleted when it is our address as well as sender's physical address and phone numbers. Anything in italics has been added for clarification.



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#104
Subject: Thanks
From: emiguy@peoplepc.com
Date:
Tue, 26 Aug 2008 21:33:55 -0400

Larry,

Thanks for the informative show at the SBE meeting. I am not a full time broadcast engineer, however, I have done quite a bit volunteering in at the local PBS station's engineering department since 1975. I am a test engineer consultant for industry. I found several items of interest and will use the material that I picked up for future reference when the need arrives.

Thanks again,

John Flinn
EMInent Services LLC

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#103
Subject: Thanks
From: major2mel@aol.com (Erie, PA)
Date: Tue, 26 Aug 2008 20:56:04 EDT

Hi:

Larry, Thanks for the great presentation, You where not boring and did not put us to sleep you made everything interesting even though I am a radio person.

I got more out of this presentation then attending a regular broadcast show.

Thanks again hope to see you next year.

Mel

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#102

Subject: Taste of NAB Road Show

From: chris.bailey@gmail.af.mil

Date: Mon, 25 Aug 2008 23:50:54 -0400

Hi Larry,

It sounds like you are having another great year on the road with the Taste of NAB Road Show. I have enjoyed your past presentations at Pullman, Washington. I wish that I could make you presentation this year, but I will be gone with the military during your scheduled visit.

Good luck with the road show.

Chris

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#101

Subject: Your presentation in Rochester

From: Martin Scott mscott@rochester.rr.com

Date: Sun, 24 Aug 2008 20:23:13 -0400

Hello, :Larry -- I'm the retired director of scientific imaging at Kodak and I have a strong interest in all things technical, especially those involving imaging. I appreciated your ability to speak to a varied audience at a level appropriate to both broadcast and non-broadcast people. Your humorous asides were a welcome punctuation to a very technical presentation. I hope to hear you again.

Martin L. Scott

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