

Regions and Chapters Update, Spring 2009

2008 was a year of change for our local chapters. There has been a realignment of local chapters and regions, a new regional director and new chapter presidents.

North Region: Paul Connor, Regional Director, Pconnor@rohmmaas.com

Mid Atlantic Chapter: David Ayers, President, dayers@nrmca.org

New England Chapter: Joe Richard, President, joe.richard@raytheon.com

Twin Cities Chapter: Jay Rodstein, President, Jay.Rodstein@honeywell.com

Texas Region: Dawn Speranza, Regional Director, Dawn.Speranza@intel.com

Texas Hill Country Chapter: Steve Trammell, President, steve.trammell@ismi.sematech.org

North Texas Chapter: Russell Hill, President, russellhill@ti.com

The chapter sponsored a presentation by Vinnie DeGiorgio of FM Global on “What’s New in the Fab World”. Vinnie discussed semiconductor related testing by FM Research, supply chain losses, 450 mm progress, growth of the solar cell industry and changes to codes/standards. Also, earlier in 2008, Dawn Speranza of Intel and Tim Yeakley of Texas Instruments, each gave a presentation related to new laws. Dawn spoke on the REACH (Registration, Evaluation and Authorization of Chemicals) regulation and the RoHS (Restriction of Hazardous Substances) directive. Tim’s presentation also touched on RoHS, as well as other environmental indicators such as PFOS.

Murray State University Chapter: David Kraemer, Student Chapter Advisor, david.kraemer@murraystate.edu

Nikki Hjerpe, President, nikki.hjerpe@murraystate.edu

SouthWest Region: Kim Smieja, Regional Director, Kimberly.smieja@intel.com

Arizona Chapter: Christine Pomerence, President, cpomerence@rohmmaas.com

The Arizona Chapter held a meeting in January, which the Board of Directors attended. Presentations at this meeting included “Environmental Auditing,” by Mike Sherer; “Risk Management Enhanced by Working with Outside Agencies,” by Paul

Finley of the Mesa Fire Department; and “Description of an Arc Flash Incident,” by Martin Fekete. A prize raffle was also held.

Rocky Mountain Chapter: Jamie Rubin, President, Jamie.Rubin@avagotech.com

The Rocky Mountain Chapter welcomed local students to their October meeting. The meeting was held at Avago Technologies and included occupational medicine as one of the meeting topics. Discussions are taking place on the possibility of holding a joint meeting in conjunction with AIHA or ASSE.

West Region: Doug Thornton, Regional Director, doug.thornton@fairchildsemi.com

Northern California Chapter: Michelle C. Lan, Co-President, michelle_lan@amat.com
Trang M. Le, Co-President, trang.lee@moldev.com

In November, the chapter held a social for all local SESHAs members. Activities at the social included some social brainstorming and networking for 2009 activities.

Southern California Chapter: Mark Frankfurth, President, mfrankfurth@cymer.com