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Newsletter

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SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN POWER PLANT ENGINEERS SOCIETY

Dear Members,

By Brad Burns

Happy New Year! Welcome to the January SEMPPES Newsletter. We hope that everyone had a safe and joyful holiday. We had a fantastic time this year at our Annual Christmas Party. The Somerset Inn was the perfect place to celebrate the Holiday. They provided us excellent service and a fun atmosphere for all of us to have a wonderful night. IT WAS A GREAT EVENT!

It is customary to introduce our newest member of our board by handing over the duties of Sergeant of Arms and to relieve our outgoing President of their duties. I would like to welcome Ron Rushing from Michigan State University as the newest member of the crew. Ron is a great addition to our team. A big part of making this organization a success is the great leadership that is passed down to each president from the last. Judy Wagganer is a great leader and a close friend. She has worked hard to make SEMPPES a 1st class organization. I have had many questions for her over the past years and she always had the time to help! I and the SEMPPES organization would like to thank you for all the work you have done for us!

As we move into the New Year, I would like to take the time to thank every one of our members for making our organization a success story. We will be asking more of you in the coming year in the form of recruiting new members. It is with strong membership that SEMPPES will remain strong.

Next Meeting: Thursday, January 15, 2015

O'Kelly Banquet Hall

23663 Park St., Dearborn MI 48124

Phone: 313-278-5855

Social Hour: 5:30-6:30 Dinner: 6:30-7:15 Presentation: 7:15-8:00

\$5.00 - Engineer Members

\$25.00 - Vendors



Please RSVP to Dennis Insley@dinsley@semppes.com

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Presentation By: Donald Schmit

Joined Allen-Bradley/Rockwell in 1981 as general technical specialist. Added Motor Control Centers and Medium Voltage products in 1987. 1993 switched to Motor Control Centers and Medium Voltage products exclusively. Coverage areas over the years include NW Ohio, Michigan, NE Indiana.

Topic:

Uncover the "how-to" of implementing arc resistant Low Voltage (208V-600V) and Medium Voltage (2400-7200V) Motor Control Center equipment within typical industrial or commercial facilities. This presentation offers insight into several practical aspects of procuring and applying arc resistant equipment including NFPA 70E and NEC highlights, arc flash basics, a review of IEEE arc resistant equipment



Turkey Draw Winners

Brian Boggs - AAA, Rich Hull - JLL, Dennis Insley -ADS, Brett Irick - Ford, Sergio Rosa - Ford

November 50/50 WINNERS

1st: Rich Hull - JLL

2^{nd:} Dennis Insley - ADS

3rd: Don Tischler - W. J. O'Neil

Attendance award draw for attending 7 or more of the regular meetings during 2014. Three engineers and three suppliers were awarded \$50 each.

Engineers: Jim Olson – Ford; Al Preis – Ford; Fred Reddig - Detroit Lions

Suppliers: Joe Genaw - Spina Electric; ,Kelley Jettie - Eldon Water; Bob "Rocky" Thompson - Atomic Cleaning

An early renewal draw will be held at the March meeting, three engineers and three suppliers will be awarded \$25 each. To be eligible, your membership renewal must be received by March 1.

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Membership Dues, Payment and Forms

DUES

Engineering Members - \$20 Annual Membership Supplier Members - \$50 Annual Membership

FORM

- Membership Dues Form is posted on website at:
- http://semppes.com/2015_DuesWebForm.pdf

PAYMENT

Payment may be submitted in person at the monthly meetings, or US Mail:

SEMPPES

Patrick Racine, Treasurer

P.O. Box 2770

Dearborn, MI 48123

Please be sure to include your current address, email address, web site, and two (2) business cards with your membership form.

SEMPPES is offering fleece jackets. We are proud to announce, these products are **Made in USA**. Material is polyester and weight is 11 1/2 ounces. SEMPPES logo is proudly displayed on left chest. Cost of jackets is \$60.00. Contact Brad Burns for more details.

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Call for Presentations – 2016 Thank you for the 2015 Presentations schedule

The highlight of each SEMPPES meeting is the thirty to forty minute after dinner presentation on a topic of interest to not only the Power Plant Engineers but also the Supplier and Supplier Engineers present. The best talks are educational in nature: Emerging technology trends; how to fix/extend the life of an asset more efficiently or at a lower cost; pending code/legal changes and their impact to our occupations, and emerging technology trends. Tours of engineering member plants and/or supplier facilities are also encouraged and we will make the special arrangements to accommodate the facility tour. If the facility is remote from Dearborn, SEMMPES officers will work with the presenter to make the required dinner arrangements. Tours are very much appreciated by the members and it has been over two years since we have received a tour offer.

The best presentations are those that use Power Point slide shows with appropriate video interspersed. Related product samples and/or literature are also welcome. Literature loaded to a jump or removable computer drive are portable and useful to the membership. Thirty or less minutes should be allotted to the presentation which will allow time for audience questions. The meeting slots that we are filling are for the 2016 year. Meetings are held generally the third Thursday evening of each month January to May and September to November. Of the eight meetings, one month is devoted to the State of Michigan Chief Boiler Inspector update of code related changes and trends. This leaves seven spots per year for other speakers. Speakers are not charged for the privilege of giving a presentation. The only requirement is that they pay the current dinner charge if they partake in the dinner before the talk.

For 2016, please contact Brett Irick by email at xr7gt@ prodigy.net or call 313-207-3562. As we accept your presentations, we will add your topic to our website www.semppes.com

Thank you.

Brett Irick Vice President