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Chapter Meetings and Events

SCV-LEOS - 8/3: **"Directed Energy Weapons Systems"** - The future path for Directed Energy Weapons (DEW) may well transition to high power solid state lasers and these create a set of integration problems [\[more\]](#)

SCV-CNSV - 8/6: **"Entrepreneurs SIG"** - Part of the Consultants' Network of Silicon Valley, the SIG meets most weeks on Friday afternoon ... [\[more\]](#)

SF-PES - Aug 18: **Summer Banquet: "Electric Power: Demand Response Issues in California"** - Two speakers on the prospect of blackouts for the West Coast, what California is doing, and how Demand Response figures into the equation ... [\[more\]](#)

SCV-SSC - 8/19: **"A Very Low Power CMOS Mixed-Signal IC for Implantable Pacemaker Applications"** - A single-chip, very-low-power IC for pacemaker systems uses new circuit techniques to achieve nano-power circuit operations with sub-micron CMOS processes ... [\[more\]](#)

SCV-WIE - 8/25: **"RFID: the Next Big Thing for the Retail Industry"** - Insights into the emerging technology of RFID and how it can be leveraged today with minimal enhancements to the current IT infrastructure ... [\[more\]](#)

SCV-CPMT - 9/13: **"Alternative Packaging Technologies for 3-D Packaging"** - the need for higher speed, smaller form-factors, and even cost are driving system packaging to explore the third dimension... [\[more\]](#)

Tutorials, Short Courses in the Bay Area

August 9 & August 13 - Santa Clara

Tutorials/Workshops at this year's EMC'04 ... [\[more\]](#)

Partial List

NARTE EMC Exam: Monday: Exam Prep Workshop - Friday: NARTE EMC Engineer Exam

PCB Design: Double-Sided and Multilayer: for the novice to intermediate product designer - PCBs that meet EMC requirements.

Fundamentals of EMC Design: designing circuits and systems with built-in compatibility - medical, military, communications, IT.

IEEE 802.11 Wireless: growth, future trends, and outlook; regulatory requirements; relationship to other technologies.

Fundamentals of Signal Integrity: intro to fundamentals; transmission line propagation, terminations, parasitics, modeling.

Plus a Dozen More

Reliability Engineering & CRE Exam Preparation Course

- Seven-week evening course in Santa Clara
- Starts **Tuesday, August 10th**
- Tuesdays from 6 - 10 PM (thru Sept 21)
- 25% discount for unemployed
- This course fills up quickly and seating is limited

For more information, send an email to

creprep@opsalacarte.com or call 408-472-3889.

Upcoming Conferences in the Bay Area

August 9-13 - Santa Clara - EMC'04

IEEE Int'l Symposium on Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC'04) [\[more\]](#)

EMC'04 Workshops (Monday and Friday) [\[more\]](#)

August 13-15 - Santa Clara - PSES'04

IEEE First Annual Symposium on Product Safety Engineering workshops, sessions [\[more\]](#)

August 16-19 on the Stanford University Campus:

IEEE Computational Systems Bioinformatics Conference Tutorials: Monday, August 16 [\[more\]](#)

August 23-27 - San Francisco - ICF'04

Int'l Conference on Ferrites [\[more\]](#)

Free admission to exhibits

August 25-27 - Stanford Univ - Palo Alto

Symp. on **High-Performance Interconnects** [\[more\]](#)

Two days of technical sessions and a day of tutorials

Sept 1-5 - San Francisco - EMBC'04

IEEE Int'l Conference on Engineering in Medicine and Biology [\[more\]](#)

Sessions, Workshops, Tutorials, Seminars

Sept 12-15 - Santa Clara Hilton

IEEE Int'l SOC Conference [\[more\]](#)

Systems-on-Chip systems, architectures, circuits

Sept 21-23 - Anaheim - WESCON'04

Wescon, NANOWorld, Enterprise Integration EXPO, exhibits [\[more\]](#)

Sept 27-30: Santa Clara Convention Center

GSPx: the International Embedded Signal Processing Conference and Exhibition

... Includes Executive Summit, sessions and workshops [\[more\]](#)

Oct 4-7: Santa Clara Marriott

SECON'04: Sensor & Ad Hoc Communications and Networks -- Distributed arrays of devices & sensors - applications - tutorials, technical sessions [\[more\]](#)

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From the editor . . .

Our main purpose, at the **GRID**, is to pull together the meeting information for all Bay Area Chapters in one place for you. Some Chapters have their own "publicity machines" but quite a few do not. We act as their voice to engineers around the Bay Area.

In addition to information about upcoming meetings, we run advertisements for conferences coming to the Bay Area and for seminars and workshops organized by local Chapters. There are four levels for this "paid placement" in the **GRID**:

1. For events financially sponsored by the Council itself (such as WESCON), we run the notices at no charge.
2. For seminars and workshops organized by local Chapters, or large conferences in which the local Chapter is at least a 5% owner, we offer half-price rates for our website's banner ads, "profiles" in the **e-GRID**, listing in our Interactive Calendar, and pages (or half-pages) in the **GRID.pdf**.
3. For IEEE Conferences that have no local financial sponsor, we charge 50% more than the preferential rates in (2).
4. Finally, for non-IEEE events, we have rates that are twice those available to local Chapters.

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Your local Chapters, your Section, and our Council get an allocation from IEEE (from your IEEE dues, etc) that covers something over half of our expenses – we use this for rebates to your Chapter for attendance at the evening meetings, support for Student Chapters, the K-12 program, operating the web site, helping to provide the Council Office in Palo Alto, and much more. Income from the advertisements we place on the pages of this **GRID.pdf** also go toward this "infrastructure" that provides a voice for all of our Chapters.

Send me your opinions on what we're doing!

Paul Wesling editor@e-grid.net

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International Systems-on-Chip Conference (SOCC'04)

- September 12-15
- Santa Clara Hilton



Systems-On-Chip (SOC) has become a dominant issue in today's ASIC industry. SOCs have created new challenges in Design Methods, Design Tools, Design Automation, Manufacturing, Technology, and Test. The IEEE SOC Conference provides a forum for sharing advances in SOC technologies and applications. SOCC is sponsored by the IEEE **Circuits and Systems Society**.

Technical Sessions:

- High-performance circuits and methodologies
- High-performance systems and architectures
- System level architecture and design
- Network processing architectures and circuits
- Low power architecture
- Low-power design
- Reconfigurable architectures
- Reconfigurable applications
- Analog to digital conversion
- Embedded systems
- Embedded processors for SOC
- Multimedia processors
- Multi-threshold circuits
- Deep-submicron design
- Digital signal processing
- DSP circuits
- On-chip testing of embedded silicon transducers
- Design for testability and reliability
- Analog circuits
- Wireless communication
- Interconnect modeling
- Issues of SOC

... plus a poster session, panel discussions, reception, vendor fair

Register before **August 13, 2004**
to receive discounted rates.

Keynote, Plenary, and Luncheon Talks:

Keynote: "**Beyond Voice: The Third Generation of Wireless,**" Paul Jacobs, Executive Vice President and President, QUALCOMM Wireless & Internet Group

Plenary: "**Reviews and Prospects of Low-voltage RAM Circuits,**" Kiyoo Itoh, Fellow, Hitachi Ltd

Plenary: "**The Interconnect Era of ASIC/SOC Technology,**" James Meindl, Director, Microsystems Research Center, and Professor, Microsystems, Georgia Institute of Technology

Luncheon: "**IBM ASIC Design TAT Reduction,**" Jürgen Koehl, Distinguished Engineer, IBM Technology Group

Sunday Tutorials: (separate registration OK)

- Trade-Offs in RF Analog Circuit Design for SOC Applications
- SoC Design Methodology: A Practical Approach
- Substrate Coupling Noise and its Reduction through Early Design Planning in Mixed-Signal SoCs
- Heterogeneous Modeling of SoCs with System C using Multi-MOC Kernel of System C
- 90-nm SOI CMOS SoC Technology with Low-Power Millimeter-Wave Digital and RF Circuit Capability
- High-Performance CMOS Circuits for Sub-90nm Design

Vendor Fair (Tuesday evening):

A reception and Vendor Fair (held jointly with the Cadence Usergroup Conference) is open to all SF Bay Area engineers, on Tuesday evening; please see the website for a list of participating companies.

The 2004 **Int'l Cadence Usergroup (ICU) Conference** is also September 12-15 at the Westin Santa Clara Hotel (across the street from the SOCC events).

Visit www.cadenceusers.org for more ICU Conference details.

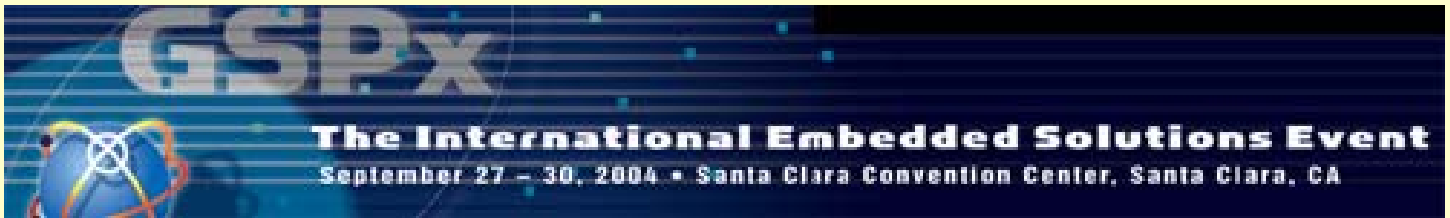


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GSPx: the International Embedded Signal Processing Conference and Exhibition

GSPx is specifically focused on embedded solutions — the only event created by the industry, for the industry. The Technical Program and Technical Workshops were developed to quickly immerse you in the latest technological innovations for embedded systems.

Key session themes

Analog & Mixed Signal Design – Architectures – Benchmarking – Cores – EDA & System Design Tools – Embedded H/W & S/W – FPGA-Based Solutions – Instrumentation and Testing – Modeling and Simulation – Parallel Processing – SoC Design

Application areas

Aerospace – Automotive – Biomedical – Consumer Electronics – Cryptography – Digital Filtering – Industrial Controls – Multimedia – Navigation – Power Management – Radar – Robotics – Software Defined Radio – Speech Processing – Telephony
... plus others

Tuesday, Sept 28

FREE: IEEE Professional Development Workshops

(free with a Conference or Workshops registration, or with the free Expo Pass – organized by IEEE-USA)

"**Taking Charge of Your Destiny: The New Rules for Career Success**," Nigel Bristow, Targeted Learning

"**Networking for Success**," Jean Eason, Consultant

"**Project Management**," Tarek Lahdhiri, Ph.D, P.E., General Motors Corporation

First-Look New Product Forum

GSPx features a session at which attendees will get a first look at exciting new products in the signal-processing and embedded-processing arenas. The competition between these new hardware and software products, not previously announced, is tough — last year's acceptance rate was around 15%.

Technology Panels

Digital Video Broadcasting to Mobile Terminals – OS-Agnostic Integrated Development Environments – Are Stand-Alone DSPs Passé? – Digital Radio – The Other System Design Language: MATLAB for DSP Design Automation – When Off-the-Shelf DSPs Won't Do: New Approaches to Drive DSP Solutions – On-Chip Interconnects for SoC's: Extend the Old or Embrace the New? – Ultra Wide Band: The Next Leap in Wireless? – DSP Intellectual Property Blocks: Boon or Bust? – Software Defined Radio: The Requirements, Challenges, and Regulation

- September 27-30
- Santa Clara Convention Center
- Technical Sessions (over 500 papers)
- Workshops, Technology Panels
- Over 150 exhibitors of embedded hardware, software, tools

Keynote Speakers (admission free)

Dr. Theo Claasen, Executive Vice President of Technology & Strategy and Chief Technology Officer, Philips Semiconductors

Ton H. Steenman, General Manager, Embedded Intel Architecture Division, Intel

Dr. Raul Camposano, Senior Vice President and Chief Technical Officer, Synopsys

Executive Summit (Tuesday and Wednesday)

Discover how to find and capitalize on opportunities in the revolving economy – invest accurately, get to the right markets under acute time pressure, and identify the most advantageous technology and market strategies. This Executive Forum assembles a diverse set of industry pundits, market makers, influencers and thought-leaders, from whom you will gain key insights that will affect your own success.

AM Workshops (separate registration OK)

"Real Time Operating Systems for DSPs and Heterogeneous Systems Containing DSPs"

"Using C to Implement Real-time Image and DSP Algorithms in FPGA & Programmable SoCs"

"Designing Advanced Wireless Applications with SPW"

"System-on-Chip Design Incorporating Silicon Hive Programmable Domain-Specific Accelerators"

PM Workshops

"Model-Based Design for Signal Processing Systems with Simulink"

"Efficient DSP Design for FPGA Implementation"

"ASIP Implementation of Advanced Wireless Applications with LISATek"

"Developing Handset Solutions Around The StarCore Family of Processors"

"FPGA Signal Processing"

To Register, or for more information, go to:

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Register before **August 6** to save \$200!

**August 13-15, 2004
Santa Clara
Convention Center**



THE FIRST ANNUAL 2004 IEEE Symposium on Product Safety Engineering

Sponsored by IEEE Product Safety Engineering Society (PSES)

Conference Information

This symposium addresses safety engineering for equipment and devices, allowing engineers, students and others with an interest in electrical product safety to discuss and disseminate technical information and to enhance their professional skills.

- Talk to and discuss problems with vendors displaying the latest Regulatory Compliance products.
- Attend Technical Sessions, Workshops, Tutorials and Demonstrations specifically targeted to the electrical safety engineering professional.
- Registered PSES participants can also attend the TC-8 Workshop hosted by the EMC Society on Friday August 13, at no additional cost.
- Social event Friday evening, August 13.
- The PSES Symposium will immediately follow the IEEE Electromagnetic Compatibility Society's (EMC) annual symposium, at the same location.

Technical Program

Half-day Workshops

- EMC Effects on Functional Safety
- New Concept for Protection against Electric Shock
- Hazard-Based Safety Engineering (HBSE): Applying Engineering Fundamentals to the Design and Analysis of Products to Maximize User Safety
- One-day IEC Standards Workshop

Talks and Tutorials

- Product Safety in China, Singapore, Brazil, Argentina
- Product Safety Incident Investigations and Forensics
- Cemented Joints in Solid Insulation
- Designing for Safety -- How to Communicate with the Engineering Team
- Designing for Safety -- Heat Release Rates of Household Items
- Medical Product Design & Medical Standards
- CPSC: Who We Are and What We Do
- Outsourcing Product Design and Manufacturing
- Thermal Safety of Laptop Computers
- War stories by staff and attendees

Plus More

See the speaker and topic listing on the website

While product safety has been addressed in various committees over the years, there has never been a professional society or symposium solely devoted to product safety engineering, as a discipline, until now. Attend the first annual Product Safety Engineering Symposium and be a part of this important new direction.

REGISTER TODAY

Discount is allowed for registrants of EMC'04, being held earlier in the same week at the Santa Clara Convention Center. See [more information about EMC'04](#).

Exhibit information

Judy Johnson, judithej@shentel.net

To Register, and for more information

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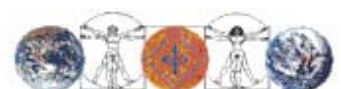
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The First IEEE Communications Society Conference on

Sensor and Ad Hoc Communications and Networks

- October 4-7
- Santa Clara Marriott

The convergence of the Internet, communications and information technologies, coupled with recent engineering advances, is paving the way for a new generation of inexpensive mobile devices, sensors and actuators. It is the distributed and ad hoc deployment of arrays of these network devices and sensors that bears promises for a significant impact, not only on science and engineering, but equally importantly on a broad range of applications relating to critical infrastructure protection and security, health care, the environment, energy, food safety, production processing, quality of life, and the economy.

This new IEEE Communications Society conference provides a forum to exchange ideas, techniques, and applications, discuss best practices, raise awareness and share experiences among researchers, practitioners, standards developers and policy makers in the field of sensor and ad hoc networks and systems. The conference is organized to provide for a degree of collegiality and continuity in the discussions of the various topics among participants from the industrial, governmental and academic sectors.

Tutorials

Tutorials are planned in the following topical areas:

- Security and Integrity Issues
- Mobility Issues
- Data Aggregation in Sensor Networks
- Localization Algorithms
- Operating Systems for Sensors
- Sensor Systems

Technical Session Themes:

- New architectures, protocols and access control to support communication, localization, time synchronization, routing and data dissemination
- Novel algorithms and theories for management, supervisory control and monitoring
- Industrial and commercial developments and applications
- Modeling and performance evaluation of large-scale distributed and ad hoc sensor networks
- Theories and models on fundamental information and communication aspects of wireless ad hoc and sensor networks
- Mechanisms for authenticated, secure communication and data dissemination in sensor and ad hoc networks
- Integration of sensors into engineered systems, including novel techniques for sensor renewable power sources, on-sensor self-calibration and self-testing
- Chip-based systems incorporating multiple sensors, computation, actuation, and wireless interfaces
- Software platforms, middleware and tools for ad hoc and sensor network applications development, deployment and management

The Advance Program will be released during August. For more information, go to:

www.e-grid.net/conf/secon.html



12th Annual IEEE Symposium on High-Performance Interconnects

August 25-27, 2004
On the Stanford Campus in Palo Alto

Silicon Valley's leading conference focused on high-performance interconnects

HOT INTERCONNECTS 12 brings together designers and architects of high-performance chips, software, and systems at the University and global business levels. Presentations focus on up-to-the-minute developments demonstrating leading-edge designs by engineers and researchers throughout the world. Two days of technical sessions and a day of tutorials will keep you on top of the latest developments within industry and academic laboratories.

HOT INTERCONNECTS sessions (Aug 25, 26):

- Architectures
- Routers and Switches
- System-Level Interconnects
- Packet Classification and Lookup
- Multiprocessor Interconnects
- Security and Network Processors

Find out more on our website!

TUTORIALS Friday August 27 **FREE PARKING!**

(Tutorial-only registrations OK)

Using the Open Network Laboratory (full day)
Prof. Jonathan Turner

Resilient Network Infrastructures for Global Grid Computing (half day) Dr. Luca Valcarenghi

Internet Infrastructure Security (half-day)
Dr. G. Manimaran

High-Speed Networking: High-Bandwidth Low-Latency Communication (full day) Dr. J. Sterbenz

Free symposium parking at Stanford University

- See driving and parking directions on our website
- On-site registration available



Sponsored by the IEEE Computer Society Technical Committee on Microprocessors and Microcomputers

For **full information and registration**, visit the **HOT INTERCONNECTS** website:

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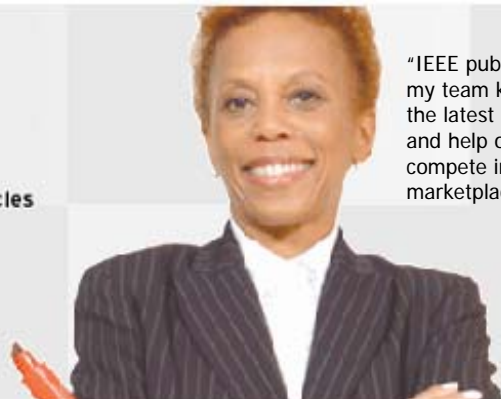
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26th Annual International Conference of the
**IEEE Engineering in Medicine
and Biology Society**

September 1-5, 2004
Westin St. Francis Hotel
Union Square – San Francisco



The IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society will hold its annual international conference at the historic St. Francis Hotel on Union Square in the center of San Francisco in 2004. The conference offers an opportunity for professional interaction in all areas relevant to biomedical engineering. In addition to the technical programs, professional tours will be available, affording attendees the opportunity to visit local research facilities in both educational and industrial settings.



EMBC 2004 sessions address the following themes:

- Biosignal Processing and Biosystem Modeling
 - Biomedical Imaging and Image Processing
 - Sensors and Instrumentation
 - Micro and Nano Biotechnology
 - Biorobotics and Biomechanics
 - Bioinformatics and Computational Biology
 - Healthcare Information Technology
 - Clinical Engineering
 - Drug Delivery and Gene Therapy
 - Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Systems
 - Neural and Rehabilitation Engineering
 - Molecular, Cellular, and Tissue Engineering
 - Biomechanics
 - Industrial Applications
 - Education
- ... plus 15 Mini-Symposia

REGISTER TODAY:

Student/Retired rate available

For full information and registration, visit the **EMBC 2004** website:

www.e-grid.net/conf/emb.html

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Paul C. Lauterbur, Nobel Laureate
2003 Nobel Prize in Medicine

Dr. Lauterbur is recognized as the father of MRI, and will share with us his experience of inventing the imaging principles for MRI as well as his views on interdisciplinary research.

Peter G. Katona, Sc.D.

President & CEO, The Whitaker Foundation

Dr. Katona will discuss the Whitaker Foundation's support of Biomedical Engineering and its impact on the development of the field.

WORKSHOPS and TUTORIALS Wednesday, 9/1
(Workshop-only registrations OK)

- Ethics in Biomedical Research
 - Cardiorespiratory Variability: Models, Mechanisms
 - Individual and Population Biomedical Models
 - Computational Biology and Bioinformatics
 - Level-Set Methods for Medical Imaging App'ns
 - Medical Infrared Imaging
 - Magnetic Resonance Imaging
 - Biomedical Robotics and Biomechanics
 - Medical Image Analysis
 - Microanalytical Devices for Bioprocessing
 - Who/What Top Employers Hire
 - Healthcare Wireless - Mobile Solutions in Hospitals
 - Pulse Oximetry
 - Project Management in a Regulated Industry
 - Clinical Engineering Practices Review
- ... and more! Check website for scheduling details

Free admission to the Exhibits!

Exhibit Hours (Preregister, or register on-site)

Wednesday, Sept. 1	Noon-6 p.m.
Thursday, Sept. 2	8 a.m.-6 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 3	8 a.m.-6 p.m.
Saturday, Sept. 4	8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Transportation: Park at the Union Street or Ellis O'Farrell garage, or ride BART or MUNI to the Powell Street station.

Ninth International Conference on Ferrites (ICF 9)



August 22-27, 2004

Cathedral Hill Hotel, San Francisco

Hosted by The American Ceramic Society

Technical Co-Sponsor: IEEE Magnetics Society

Conference Information

The 2004 International Conference on Ferrites (ICF) is the ninth in a series of conferences that provide a forum for the presentation and discussion of the latest scientific and technological developments in ferrites (magnetic ceramics) and related materials.

The conference will cover all areas of basic science and technology for ferrites and related materials. Special emphasis will be placed on advanced findings and emerging technologies that are expected to open new horizons for ferrites in the twenty-first century. More than 250 presentations on the results of academic, technical, and industrial studies will be given.

Technical Program

Science

- Physics of ferrites and related materials
- Chemistry of ferrites and related materials
- Crystal growth, sintering and microstructure
- Thin films, multilayers, and fine particles
- Other basic science

Processing and Applications

- Raw materials and manufacturing processes/facilities
- Soft magnetic materials and cores
- Hard magnetic materials and magnets
- Magnetic recording media, heads and systems
- Magneto-optics and applications
- High frequency and microwave ferrites
- Bio-magnetics and medical applications
- Power magnetics
- Transducers and sensors

Special Topics

- Nano-structured ferrites and related materials
- Magnetic & magnetorheological fluids, novel devices
- Multilayer chip inductors
- Other novel emerging technologies

Special Symposia

- Novel Applications and Materials for Electromagnetic Interference (EMI) Devices
- Application and Technology of Soft Ferrites
- Industrial Challenges for Soft Ferrite Producers
- Half Metallic Oxide Junctions and Highly Spin-Polarized Currents

Technical Tours

A tour of the Advanced Light Source at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory is planned for Wednesday, Aug. 25, 9:00 a.m. to noon. The cost of the tour is \$25 and includes transportation. Buses will leave from the hotel at 7:30 a.m.

Social Program

Exhibits & Welcome Reception Sunday, Aug. 22, 6-8 p.m.
Conference Banquet Tuesday, Aug. 24, 7-9 p.m.
Wine Country Tour Friday, Aug. 27, 8 a.m.-5p.m.

Exhibits and Sponsorships

This conference also offers the opportunity to interface with those potential customers who otherwise may be difficult to reach:

- Manufacturers of processing equipment
- Manufacturers of characterization equipment
- Designers and users of ferrite components
- Suppliers of ferrite materials

Exhibit Hours

Free admission to the Exhibits! (Register on-site)

Sunday, Aug. 22	6-8 p.m.
Monday, Aug. 23	10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Tuesday, Aug. 24	10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Wednesday, Aug. 25	10 a.m.-4 p.m.

To Register, or for more information

Go to:

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September 21-23
Anaheim Convention Center

Welcome to the exciting new world of Wescon, combining exhibits with industry forums on OEM electronics, nanotechnology, supply chain management and net-centric defense industry manufacturing.

Wescon is the re-engineered industry event for the total design and supply chain. The Wescon/2004 Exhibit and Conference Program broadens its focus to the needs of the total supply chain for the electronics design, manufacturing and distribution process. IEEE, AFEI, NANOWorld and Wescon come together at a joint plenary session presenting new visions of where technology is taking us, today and tomorrow.

Wescon brings engineers and scientists together in an environment that advances their education and careers by opening doors to a wealth of intellectual property, a wide range of technology tools and components, and access to immediate solutions for commercial applications.

Some of the highlights:

EDA Tools & Engineering Software

Board Design and Layout Tools - Libraries and Design Management Tools - Supply Chain Management Tools - Design for Manufacturability Tools - Component/Interconnect Modeling

Test & Measurement Equipment

Stand-Alone Test Instruments - PC-based Instruments/Cards - Wired Telecom/Datacom Test - Fiber-Optic/Electro-Optic Test - RF/Microwave/Wireless Communications Test - EMC Test - Environmental Test - Software - Test Accessories and Services

Component Technology

Connectors and Interconnects - Semiconductors and ICs - Active and Passive Components - Power Components - Electro-Mechanical Components - Mechanical Packaging

The **Autonomous Vehicle Technology Showcase** is a new and exciting event focused on advanced technologies and their impact today and tomorrow, with 7 contenders from the recent DARPA Grand Challenge - includes an introductory workshop and sidebar briefings on the exhibit floor, covering mobility, processing, sensors, radar/ladar, data storage, GPS, mapping, algorithms, emergency stopping, and more. *free*

Wescon - owned by engineers and run by engineers to benefit engineers.



NANOWorld
"...harmonizing things seen and not seen." - S.A.G.

Held at WESCON in Anaheim, NANOWorld is the first nanotechnology conference and exposition devoted to commercial applications, practical solutions, and cutting edge products of the core technology that is driving the industry today and will dominate it tomorrow.

"By 2015, there will be new positions for more than 30,000 Engineers, Business Managers, Supply Chain Management and Educators to move nanotechnology out of the labs and into commercial and government applications. We will no longer be a cottage industry. Attending NANOWorld 2004 is the first step towards getting the insight and training you will need for the nanotech world of the future."

... Dr. Anthony F. Laviano, NANOWorld Managing Director,
*Member of the National Academy of Sciences,
National Research Council for Nanotechnology*

Day 1: Nanomaterials and nanofabrication

Day 2: Nanocomponents

Day 3: Systems integration, use and applications

NANOWorld - the first event to go beyond theory into training and educating engineers in the commercial application of nanotechnology. It is the event that will make Nanotechnology a reality for you to explore.



Enterprise Integration EXPO 2004

co-located with Wescon - free admission

The Association for Enterprise Integration (AFEI), and **EI EXPO'04**, are focused on programs that address Network Centric Operations for government and industry - information-age business, network centric warfare, electronic government - building exceptional organizations through superior information capabilities based on building blocks of people, process and technology.

For more **Wescon**, **NANOWorld** and **EI EXPO** details, please visit:

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Directed Energy Weapons Systems

Speaker: Sam Williams, Chief Scientist, Lockheed Martin Space Systems Company
Time: Pizza Social 7:00PM, presentation 8:00PM
Place: National Semiconductor Credit Union Bldg 31, large auditorium, 955 Kifer Road, Sunnyvale
RSVP: RSVP@silicavalley.com
Web: www.silicavalley.com

Sam Williams was educated at Oxford University where he graduated with a degree in Engineering Science. He has worked in Electro-Optics for the last 25 years, in lens design, alignment methods for his impossible lens designs, and E-O system engineering. He is the holder of 3 patents and has presented a number of papers at SPIE and Optical Society meetings.

He is the chief Scientist for the Advanced DEW (Directed Energy Weapons) Systems organization at Lockheed Martin Space Systems Company and will talk about near term applications of Directed Energy Weapons Systems.

Weapon applications of high energy lasers have been studied in the US for the past 25 years. In the late 1970's, engineers at Hughes successfully demonstrated that a TOW missile could be destroyed with a Deuterium Fluoride laser with a less than 24 inch aperture telescope. During the past 20 years, there has been rapid development of systems for both tactical and strategic applications. NGST is developing the Theater High Energy Laser (THEL), based on the DF laser. Boeing, NGST and Lockheed Martin are developing the ABL (Airborne Laser), a chemical laser installed in a modified Boeing 747, for boost phase destruction of short and medium range missiles. The future path for DEW may well transition to high power solid state lasers and these create their own set of integration problems.

The presenter will discuss the requirements for DEW systems from the point of view of target vulnerability, atmospheric path and the beam control system. He will review the progress in DEW from the early years of ground based demonstrations to the projected systems that are being planned. The data presented has been derived from open literature sources and will consequently be unclassified.

Net-Centric Defense Industry Manufacturing



"With the enhanced involvement of the IEEE, it's about all the intellectual property that fuels the supply chain," says James Hungerford, President of Electronic Conventions, Inc. (ECI). Hungerford was of course talking about Wescon, which has been totally re-engineered for Fall 2004 at the Anaheim Convention Center, September 21-23, 2004.

The vibrancy of the exhibit hall will be enhanced by the co-location of AFEI (Association for Enterprise Integration) with its net-centric appeal to aerospace and defense industry executives, and even more by the two new Advanced Technology pavilions, one devoted to Autonomous Vehicles and one devoted to nanotechnology. IEEE visibility on the exhibit floor will include a Job Fair, access to the IEEE Digital Library, and presentation of IEEE's well-known 100 Years of Avionics exhibit. Other pavilions will cover Test and Measurement, Power Electronics, Design and Analysis, as well as the IPE component mix which has always been central to Wescon's success.

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Map: www.novapic.org/contact_us/
Info: For further information contact Art Rahman,
Chair of IEEE CNSV, at
ataur.rahman@worldnet.att.net
Web: www.ieee-sv-consult.org/

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For specific information, please contact the SIG chair, Art Rahman: ataur.rahman@worldnet.att.net



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In addition, we will be enjoying fine dining at the Faz Restaurant (www.fazrestaurants.com). Dinner is served Buffet style so attendees may enjoy a variety of entrees at a reasonable price!

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A Very Low Power CMOS Mixed-Signal IC for Implantable Pacemaker Applications

Speaker: Louis S Y Wong, St. Jude Medical
Time: Refreshments are provided at 6:30 PM and the talk typically starts at 7:00 PM
Place: Cadence Bldg 5, 2655 Seely Ave, San Jose
Cost: \$1 donation requested to partially cover food
RSVP: either call 408 894-2646 (leave a message) or by email to ssc_scv_rsvp@yahoo.com
Web link: <http://www.ieee.org/scvssc/>

Louis S Y Wong received the B.E. and 1st class Honours degree from The University of Adelaide, Australia, and the Ph.D. degree in electrical engineering from The University of New South Wales, Sydney Australia. During his Ph.D. and research program, he won The Australia Postgraduate Research Award and The IRE in Microelectronics.

In 1994-1996 he was with CSC Australia as a firmware engineer developing real-time embedded software for a defense combat system project. He then was with Cochlear Australia from 1997-2000 as a senior design engineer, where he was involved in research and development for a low-power mixed-signal single-chip solution for bionic ear implant devices. In 2000 he joined St. Jude Medical in Sunnyvale. He is currently a mixed-signal Design Manager and a Senior Principal Design Engineer, where he is responsible for designing the next generation of pacemaker ICs. Dr Wong was also a part time instructor at San Jose State University, teaching a CMOS IC design course.

His research area includes low-voltage low-power sub-threshold analog/mixed-signal and digital designs. He has filed and published numerous patents and papers in this area, such as with ISSCC, CICC, JSSC, and ISLPED. His design experience includes very low power A/D converters, battery power management systems, high-voltage charge pump in CMOS technology, radiation-hardened logic and memory, low power I/O cells, low power PLLs, and the lowest voltage D/A converter (0.9V) ever reported.

Pacemakers were first introduced in the 1950s, with only a few transistors used in the device. Technology has advanced and there are over tens of millions of transistors in today's implantable pacemaker system. A cardiac pacemaker is used to treat bradyarrhythmia (a heart rate that is too slow). This device monitors the heart's rate and rhythm, and provides electrical stimulation when the heart does not beat or beats too slowly. It is typically small in size, often less than an ounce in weight, and less than two inches wide. Once implanted inside the body, the pacemaker's presence is nearly invisible to the eye. Within the pacemaker device, there are (1) the integrated circuit and (2) a battery. The IC is a full custom mixed-signal sub-micron SOC (system-on-chip) containing all the circuitry necessary to operate a sophisticated device. It monitors the heart's rate and provides stimulation when necessary.

Low power consumption is crucial for a pacemaker IC. The fundamental goal is to provide a life span of up to 10 to 12 years. In this presentation, a single-chip, very-low-power interface IC used in implantable pacemaker systems is discussed. Many low power analog/digital design techniques have been utilized. A large variety of analog and digital circuitries have been integrated. It contains low-noise amplifiers, filters, ADCs (~280nW), the battery management system, a high-voltage charge pump (~400nW), high voltage D/A pulse generators, MEMS sensors and interface circuits (~120nW), programmable logic, and timing control. A few new circuit techniques are proposed to achieve nano-power circuit operations for sub-micron CMOS processes. For example, sub-threshold transistor designs and switched-capacitor circuits are widely used in the analog domain, and a large amount of clock-gating is used in the digital domain. The IC occupies 49mm², is fabricated in a CMOS multi-Vt process and consumes 8uW on average from a single 2.8V supply.



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RFID: the Next Big Thing for the Retail Industry

Speaker: Rohit Agarwal, IBM Labs
Time: 7 pm
Cost: free
Place: Boardroom, Cogswell Polytechnical College, 1175 Bordeaux Drive, Sunnyvale
RSVP: daisy_cheng@ieee.org
Web link: www.ieee.org/scv/wie

In this talk, Rohit gives a brief overview of RFID technology, followed by a discussion about demo/pilot implementations done for some customers and how IBM's middleware products like DB2 Information Integrator, Websphere Business Integrator etc. are being used in the RFID solution. Business problems addressed by RFID implementation will be discussed in the presentation as well. Overall, this presentation will give our audience insight into the emerging technology of RFID and how it can be leveraged today with minimal enhancements to their current IT infrastructure.

Rohit Agarwal is currently a member of the DB2 Information Integration Development team. In his earlier roles he has worked with customers and partners to provide solutions for industry specific problems, involving IBM technologies. He was also instrumental in enabling DB2 Information Integrator access to various packaged applications to give DB2 II the ability to do federation over packaged applications such as SAP, Siebel, Peoplesoft, etc. He was one of the original team members responsible for the development of Connector for SAP R/3. He was working as a DB2 Database Administrator interfacing with different ERP software prior to joining IBM's Silicon Valley Lab.

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RFID products, applications and technologies will sweep through the Wescon conference like a tsunami. Presentations, demonstrations and exhibits will address implementation, impacts, technologies and solutions.

A featured demonstration will be presented frequently during the three-day gathering by the Department of Defense. The product manager for Automatic Identification Technology will be responding to the effort for embedded RFID within the Army's Movement Tracking System, as well as the DoD mandate for components to have initial capability to read passive RFID tags by January 2005.

RFID supply chain issues will also be covered in presentations by Bruce Rayner, Editor-in-Chief of *Electronics Supply and Manufacturing Magazine*, and including executives of Oracle, Texas Instruments, AIM (Association for Automatic Identification and Mobility), in panel discussions of the impact of RFID on supply chains. i2 Technologies will present a program on the adaptive supply chain and its use of RFID to transcend functional boundaries between engineering, marketing, sales, etc. Wescon will both feature exhibits on passive and active tags, IT infrastructure integration, and strategic business impact.

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SOUTHBAY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SCV PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

Tom Coughlin, Silicon Valley PACE Co-Chairman

The Santa Clara Valley Section PACE committee has been pretty busy this year. We need more volunteers to continue and expand our activities to promote engineering professionalism and create support systems for local IEEE members. Besides the traditional PACE activities such as professional engineering training, science fair assistance, and political activities, we have been working to create a local PACE group that is more responsive and proactive to meet the needs of local IEEE members. Towards that end we have begun an effort to deal with **unemployment of local engineers**. This activity started with a “heart-felt” letter that was sent out to all the SCV IEEE members. You may have read this letter, how it was composed, and the results in a [prior GRID article](#). To summarize, we received a very strong show of support by IEEE members, including those working in area companies that were looking for employees. As a result of the responses we created a local IEEE employment web site, www.ewh.ieee.org/r6/scv/, that includes a listing of job openings, a copy of the “heart-felt” letter, and a list of hiring companies with internal IEEE contact people.

In early July we sent out a version of this letter to national, state and local political representatives. As of this date we have received responses back from

the offices of Mike Honda and Barbara Boxer. They indicated support for efforts to increase hiring of local engineers.

We are developing our plan to help local engineers further. In late June Tom Coughlin, SCV Pace Co-Chair, made a presentation before the Silicon Valley Engineering Council (SVEC) about engineering outsourcing and a proposal to create mid-career engineering internships to help local engineers transition to new fields that are looking for experienced engineers with some training in these new areas but needing actual industrial experience. The material in the presentation was jointly put together by Lee Colby and Tom Coughlin. Some of the material from the presentation came from Ron Hira of the Rochester Institute of Technology and was obtained by Lee Colby during the Engineering Fly-In to Washington in the spring. We will be putting this presentation on the website listed above so others can see it.

As a result of that SVEC meeting Sam Haddad, one of the founders of the SVEC (who was present at the meeting), introduced Jim Pinson to Tom as the former Dean of Engineering at San Jose State University and an experienced engineering training resource. Jim was contacted and agreed to be an advisor for a plan to create an engineering retraining program and mid-career engineering internships. The SCV PACE group is looking at pooling its resources with SVEC and other interested South Bay engineering groups to create such a program.

The SCV PACE group is also exploring the idea of **creating audio/Powerpoint webcasts** of local IEEE events and seeks volunteers to help set this capability up.

This brings us to the **need for more volunteers** to help us with our regular PACE activities as well as our efforts to improve the employment opportunities for IEEE members in the South Bay. These activities will only be possible with additional volunteers. To find out about our next meetings and to get involved with our activities please contact Tom Coughlin at tom@tomcoughlin.com. You can also join our IEEE PACE email group by sending an email to scv-pace-subscribe@yahoogroups.com and responding to the email response to set up your membership options.

Tom Coughlin
Co-Chairman, SCV Pace

IEEE Education Society Chapter: First Meeting in Silicon Valley

The Silicon Valley Chapter of the IEEE Education Society was formed recently, as a result of a petition effort initiated by Lili He of San Jose State University. The goals and objectives of the Education Society are to advance the theory, practice and accessibility of engineering education and to assist in achieving overall IEEE goals. The 1st meeting of the chapter was successfully held on May 26th at the Silicon Valley Technical Institute. Chapter officers were selected from the meeting attendees as follows:

- Chair: Lili He, San Jose State University
- Vice Chair: Ali Iranmanesh, Silicon Valley Technical Institute
- Treasurer: Jayasimha Prasad, Maxim
- Secretary: Jin Zhao, Sigrity
- Web Master: Jin Zhao
- Programs Chair: Khosrow Lashkari, Silicon Valley Technical Institute

The chapter meetings will be held on the 3rd Wednesday of every month at Silicon Valley Technical Institute. It was also decided for the chapter to actively develop technical and informational meetings for the benefit of all IEEE members and working professionals who have a particular interest in education in electrical, electronic, and computer engineering.



Officers of the newly formed Silicon Valley Chapter of the IEEE Education Society. From left to right; Jin Zhao, Lili He, Jayasimha Prasad, Jonathan David (from the IEEE SCV Section), Ali Iranmanesh, Khosrow Lashkari.

For anyone interested in joining the steering committee of the new IEEE Education Society SCV Chapter, the contact information is:

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Papers piling up, deadlines looming, a good night's sleep hard to come by, that constant uneasy feeling of being overworked and under the gun. As we work more and more, we spend less and less time on our personal affairs, and on just relaxing and enjoying our lives. It's a sure recipe for stress. What can we do about it? Surprisingly, a lot, writes IEEE Spectrum columnist Carl Selinger. Here's what he has to say about how to make your work life less stressful, and more fun:

www.spectrum.ieee.org/careers/careerstemplate.jsp?ArticleId=c070104

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RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 2005 APPOINTED TAB COMMITTEE MEMBER POSITIONS

The TAB Nominations and Appointments Committee is seeking recommendations for the following positions, which will be appointed by the 2005 VP- Technical Activities in conjunction with the November Organizational Unit Series. These positions are for one-year terms unless indicated.

- RAB/TAB Section/Chapter Support Committee Members - total of three (3) positions. Of these, one is a present or past S/C President; one is a present or past Division Director and one is a member from Regions 7-10.
- TAB Strategic Planning and Review Committee Members - total of two (2) positions, each for a three-year term (2005-2007). Of these, one is a present or past S/C President, and one is a present or past Division Director.
- Transnational Committee Members - two (2) present or past TAB members (The charter notes there is a maximum of 4 members who can be appointed)

Representatives to IEEE Entities

- IEEE Awards Board (1) - Division Director at time of service;
- IEEE USA Awards and Recognition Committee (1) - Member grade and above;
- IEEE Membership Development Committee (2) - Member grade and above;
- IEEE Regional Activities Board (1) - Member grade and above;
- IEEE Standards Board (1) - Member grade and above;
- IEEE Student Activities Committee (1) - Member grade and above;
- Washington Internships for Students of Engineering (1) - Member grade and above;
- IEEE Educational Activities Board (2) - Member grade and above, having strong interest in engineering education from Technical Activities;
- Women in Engineering Committee (1) - Member grade and above;
- Graduates of the Last Decade (GOLD) (3) - one a S/C President or DD at the time of service, one a member from Regions 7-10 and one Member grade and above;
- EAB/RAB/TAB Reference List of Educational Programs Committee (3) - Member grade and above. Individuals should be cognizant of existing and emerging disciplines, fields, areas and specialties of interest to the IEEE.
- In addition, the TAB Nominations and Appointments (N&A) Committee will continue to accept nominations for the position of 2006 TAB Vice President-Elect until 6 September 2004, to be considered for the final slate prepared by the TAB N&A

Committee and presented to TAB at the November 2004 TAB meeting. After this time, the petition process must be followed. The deadline to notify the Managing Director of Technical Activities of the intent to petition is 11 October 2004. Nominations will not be accepted from the floor at the November meeting for this position. The slate of candidates approved by TAB will appear on the ballot for the 2005 IEEE election. This individual will serve as the TAB Vice President-Elect in 2006, as TAB Chair in 2007 and as Past Chair of TAB in 2008. Each of these positions includes services as a member or chair of other TAB and IEEE committees. Candidates for TAB Vice President-Elect must be of Fellow or Senior Member grade, and maintain membership in at least one IEEE Society.

To request a recommendation form and/or to obtain additional information on the functions of each TAB Committee, or discuss a TAB VP-elect nomination, CONTACT Paula Dunne - IEEE Technical Activities - telephone +1 732 562 3919; p.dunne@ieee.org.

**First Annual IEEE Symposium
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Product Safety Engineering
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While product safety has been addressed in various committees over the years, there has never been a professional society or symposium solely devoted to product safety engineering, as a discipline, until now. Attend the **first annual Product Safety Engineering Symposium** and be a part of this important new direction. It's here – locally – in Santa Clara.

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- Talk and discuss problems with vendors displaying the latest Regulatory Compliance products.
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Aug. 9-10: **Workshop on Memory Design and Testing will be in San Jose**

The workshop (MTDT'04) covers all aspects of memory design, process technologies and testability related topics, such as memory circuit designs, cell structures, fabrication processes, design architectures and related testing and verification methods for SRAM, DRAM, Flash and non-volatile memories, EPROM, EEPROM, embedded memories, logic-enhanced and FIFO memories, 3-D memories, and content addressable memories. For more information, contact Rochit Raysuman, 408 727 2222, r.raysuman@advantest-ard.com

Aug 9-13: **IEEE Int'l Symposium on Electromagnetic Compatibility held in Santa Clara**

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Aug. 16-19: **IEEE Computational Systems Bio-informatics comes to Stanford in August**

CSB2004 is one of the important bioinformatics events and provides a broad spectrum across the bioinformatics field. Our keynote speakers, paper and poster presentations, tutorials and social events have all been designed to cater to bioinformatics' eclectic mix of disciplines. CSB2004 has the lowest registration fees of any conference of its kind worldwide to make it possible for everyone to attend. And this year it is in our own "back yard."

The tutorials will be given on Monday, August 16, offering the opportunity to learn about new areas of bioinformatics research, get an introduction to important established topics, and/or develop higher skill levels in areas for which they are already knowledgeable. See our [GRID display page](#).

For more information, and to register online:

www.e-grid.net/conf/csb.html

Aug. 22-24: **Hot Chips Symposium at Stanford**

The IEEE Symposium on High Performance Chips (**HOT CHIPS 16**) will be held in Stanford's Memorial Auditorium with tutorials on Sunday followed by two days of paper presentations on Monday and Tuesday. For designers and architects of high-performance chips, software, and systems, the presentations focus on up-to-the-minute real developments. This symposium is the primary forum for engineers and researchers to highlight their leading-edge designs. For more information, visit the Hot Chips website: www.hotchips.org.

Aug. 23-27: **Int'l Conference on Ferrites in S.F.**

ICF'04 provides a forum for the presentation and discussion of the latest scientific and technological developments in ferrites (magnetic ceramics) and related materials. The conference covers all areas of basic science and technology for ferrites and related materials. Special emphasis is placed on advanced findings and emerging technologies that are expected to open new horizons for ferrites in the twenty-first century. More than 250 presentations on the results of academic, technical, and industrial studies will be given. Exhibits give the opportunity to visit with suppliers.

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For more information, and to register online:

www.e-grid.net/conf/icf.html

Aug. 25-27: **Symposium on High Performance Interconnects being held at Stanford**

HOT INTERCONNECTS 12 brings together designers and architects of high-performance chips, software, and systems at the University and global business levels. Presentations focus on up-to-the-minute developments demonstrating leading-edge designs by engineers and researchers throughout the world. Two days of technical sessions and a day of tutorials will keep you on top of the latest developments within industry and academic laboratories. Free parking on the campus!

See our [GRID display page](#) for more details.

For more information, and to register online:

www.e-grid.net/conf/hoti.html

Sept 1-4: **Conference on Engineering in Medicine and Biology Visits San Francisco**

The IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society holds its annual international conference at the historic St. Francis Hotel on Union Square in the center of San Francisco. The conference offers an opportunity for professional interaction in all areas relevant to biomedical engineering. In addition to the technical programs, professional tours will be available, affording attendees the opportunity to visit local research facilities in both educational and industrial settings. Workshops and tutorials are on Wednesday, 9/1, and local engineers may register for only the workshops. Keynote speaker is Paul C. Lauterbur, 2003 winner of the Nobel Prize in Medicine. Extensive exhibits are free to Bay Area professionals.

See our [GRID display page](#) for more details.

For more information, and to register online:

www.e-grid.net/conf/emb.html

Sept 13-15: **IEEE Petroleum and Chemical Industry Conference in San Francisco**

PCIC provides an international forum for the exchange of electrical applications technology related to the petroleum and chemical industry. PCIC attracts national and international participation. Held at the SF Marriott, the conference includes technical sessions, tutorials, and subcommittee meetings. Contact local committee chair Ken McFarland (Ken.McFarland@Crouse-Hinds.com) or visit the website:

www.ieee-pcic.org/Conferences/2004_San%20Francisco/

Sept 12-15: **Systems-on-Chip Addressed at IEEE SOC Conference (SOCC'04) in Santa Clara**

Sponsored by the IEEE CAS Society and held at the Santa Clara Hilton, the SOCC provides a forum for sharing advances in SOC technologies and applications. Systems-On-Chip (SOC) has become a dominant issue in today's ASIC industry and has created new challenges in Design Methods, Design Tools, Design Automation, Manufacturing, Technology, and Test. There are four days of tutorials, technical sessions, keynote talks, and vendor exhibits. See our [GRID display page](#) for more details, or visit

www.e-grid.net/conf/socc.html

Sept 21-23: **Wescon comes to Anaheim this year, with NANOWorld, EI EXPO, plus more**

The re-engineered Wescon/2004 brings together the technical programs of **NANOWorld**, the **Enterprise Integration EXPO**, the **Autonomous Vehicle Technology Showcase**, the Micromouse Competition, a Job Fair, and more. Vendor exhibits include pavilions on test and measurement equipment, components, RFID, EDA tools, engineering software, power components, and net-centric manufacturing integration. Best of all, the exhibits pass and most events are free; separate low-cost registration is required for NANOWorld and for Tutorials.

See our [GRID display pages](#) for more details, and the [Exhibits Registration Form](#) in this GRID.

For more information, visit the website:

www.e-grid.net/conf/wescon.html

Sept 27-30: **GSPx: the International Embedded Signal Processing Conference and Exhibition**

Held at the Santa Clara Convention Center, GSPx is specifically focused on embedded solutions, with a Technical Program and Technical Workshops covering the latest technological innovations for embedded systems. This year it includes an **Executive Summit** and exhibits. See our GRID display page for more details. For more information, visit www.e-grid.net/conf/gsp.html.

Oct 25-29: **BroadNets 2004 covers Broadband Networking in San José**

The IEEE Communications Society's first International Conference on Broadband Networks will be held locally at the end of October, with its focus on broadband networking for the entire gamut of next-generation networks – all the way from access networks (xDSL, Cable, EPON, Broadband Wireless, multi-Gigabit uplinks), to regional and metropolitan networks to wide-area core networks. Visit the website: www.broadnets.org.

Oct 7-8: LEOS Workshop: **SBIR Grants for the Curious Engineer in Business**

The US government and other domestic agencies provide funding for projects and assistance for R&D to small businesses under the Small Business Innovative Research (SBIR) program. Funds from tens to hundreds of thousands of dollars are available for work on topics ranging from nanotechnology to astronomy.

This workshop is for engineers, entrepreneurs, and small-business executives who wish to learn how to "read between the lines" of government solicitations and how to win grants and contracts. This two-day Workshop will be held in Sunnyvale, at the National Semiconductor Credit Union meeting rooms. More details: www.ieee.org/sbir/

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1.

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First Name		Last Name	
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2. Principal Job Function

(check only one)

- AA Engineer - Design
- AB Engineer - Manufacturing
- AC Engineer - Quality/Test
- AD Engineering Services
- AE Engineering Management
- AF Corporate/General Management
- AG Press
- AH Purchasing/Procurement
- AJ Marketing/Sales
- AK Student/Educator
- AL Other

- CF Controls
- CG Military/Government/Avionics
- CH Medical Electronics
- CJ Semiconductors/ICs
- CK Test/Measurement/Inspection
- CL Distributors
- CM Other

- BJ Laser & Electro-Optical Devices
- BK Microwave Components
- BL Packaging Hardware/Enclosures
- BM Power Sources
- BN Production Equipment
- BP Production Tools & Supplies
- BQ Sensors & Transducers
- BR System Boards
- BS Test & Measurement Equipment
- BT Other

4. Product Interest - Which of the following do you specify, recommend, approve, purchase or influence the purchase of?
(check all that apply)

- BA ASICs, PLDs, FPGAs
- BB Board Level Products
- BC Semiconductors/ICs
- BD Components other than IC's
- BE Computers/Peripherals/Software
- BF Contract Services - Design/Manufacturing/Test
- BG EDA Tools & Engineering Software
- BH Interconnection Devices

5. Years Involved in Industry

- DA 1 - 2
- DB 3 - 5
- DC 6 - 9
- DD 10 or more

6. Size of your organization

	At Your Location	In Entire Company
1 - 49	<input type="checkbox"/> EA	<input type="checkbox"/> EB
50 - 99	<input type="checkbox"/> EC	<input type="checkbox"/> ED
100 - 499	<input type="checkbox"/> EE	<input type="checkbox"/> EF
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