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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This month's message will be (to everyone's relief) somewhat short since our editor is leaving town, and, therefore, I need to write it in a hurry. In our business we are either buried in work or have little to do. Fortunately, my situation at the moment is the former, but it will probably be the latter before too long. In any case I will get a few words written down before our esteemed editor heads out on his adventure.

The good news is that Vaughn Treude is taking over as web master. Vaughn did such a good job as our newsletter editor for so many years that I believe we can look forward to a first class web site. It is good to have the professionals take over from the amateurs.

We haven't yet located the software we need to create PDF files on a Linux operating system, and this month's newsletter will again be in plain text. We hope to get the situation resolved as soon as we can so that we can again put out a colorful newsletter like that of yore with photos, figures and the like.

Membership prospects are looking up. We have had a number of visitors at our recent meetings, and I believe our treasurer has actually received a membership application or two with dues checks. We really need to reach out and bring in new blood. Also, a couple of our old members that we haven't seen for awhile came to our last meeting.

We met last month at Monti's as usual. Bill Morgan told us about the flight simulators he works on for Boeing. It was a popular subject, and drew a good turnout. I think we all learned a lot and had a good time to boot.

Russ Johnson is going to talk about the practical aspects of solar energy at this month's meeting. The meeting will be July 11 at Monti's at the southwest corner of Mill Ave. and Rio Salado Parkway in Tempe. Networking and just plain socializing starts at 6:30 with dinner at 7:00. Russ will start talking about 8:00. Everyone is welcome. The network is subsidizing the meals, and a very good dinner is \$10 a head. Please let me know if you are coming at peverett@ieee.org so that we can give Monti's a head count a couple of days in advance.

Planning for the Fall Workshop is starting to move into high gear. We will keep you up to date on the progress. We hope to have the date and location worked out soon. In the meantime, keep the Saturdays in late October and November open. You won't want to miss this event. You will learn more about consulting and entrepreneurship than you thought possible.

Upcoming meetings and programs:

July 11	Russ Johnson will talk about the practical applications of solar energy.
August 8	We are planning to have a presentation on using job shop assignments effectively.
September 12	Ed Koch will talk to us about his investment activities
October 10	Jim Soudriette will talk about management consulting.
November 14	Lane Garrett will talk about the all solar powered building ETA Engineering is doing in Tempe.
December 12	Annual business meeting and roundtable discussion

See you on July 11th.

EDITOR'S NOTES

Again I have to apologize about having to send this out in "plain text". The past few weeks have not allowed much time for tinkering with word processors, and July is going to be even more hectic. (I'll be "conspicuous by my absence" at the July 11 meeting.)

I do want to mention that the Mensa Annual Gathering (national convention) is going to be held July 3 through July 7 at the Scottsdale Princess hotel. For more info please look at their web site: <http://ag.us.mensa.org/>

[Webmaster's note: I converted Clark's text files to PDF files retroactively. – VT]

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