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ANNOUNCEMENT

Vendors are invited to display their products at the Dinner Meetings. 2 tables are available.

Contact Program Committee Jim Dinkel or Andy Tucker. Cost \$50 per table.

Upcoming Executive Meetings

- June 26, 2000
- August 28, 2000

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DINNER MEETING NOTICE



IVONDAY

May 29, 2000

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500 Errol Road West, Sarnia • Phone: (519) 336-2201

Cocktails 6:00 p.m. Dinner 7:00 p.m.

All Guests are Welcome!

Guest Speakers...

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LYDIA PAULINO-RACINE, Nutritional Advisor

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Greek Salad

Surf and Turf • Sugar Snap Peas • Baked Potato Hedgehog Truffle Torte

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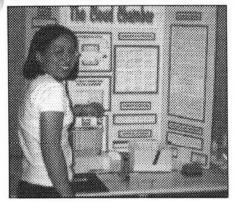
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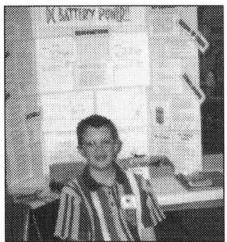
Please phone in or E-Mail your reservation by Thursday, May 25th, 2000 to Sandi Cooke - Tidball Phone: (519) 481-3211 • E-Mail: cookets(a novachem.com

MEMBERS \$10 > GUESTS \$15

NOTE: ALL Members and guest are requested to reserve in advance. Please oblige... we need your support to plan your evening!

Science Fair





The Section participated in the Lambton County Science Fair. There were winners in each category this year, Junior's, Intermediate's and Senior's. As always the topics are interesting and awesome. The winners are: Junior category, Michael De Jourdan "DC Batery Power"; Intermediate category, Melissa Ho "The Cloud Chamber"; Senior category, Dorian Latawiec "Hydrogen Fuel Cell", Lauri Doucete and Lynette Lau "Power Generators".



The Sarnia Section has a domain on the internet. Next time you're on the net give us a look at: www.isasarnia.com

Dresident's Address

Welcome to the final issue of the Annunciator for this ISA year.

This is my final address as your President. I want to take this time to thank all of my Executives for all of their work; to all of my committees for the timely completion of their projects and to all of you the members for your participation and attendance at all of our functions. I said before that the only way that we can survive is by delegation, commitment, dedication and participation. I believe that we achieved a high percentage of these requirements that is the key to our success and I applaud your efforts.

I have had an item from ISA's President Perry Grady installed in this issue of the Annunciator regarding the Society Task Force; review and comment (if you wish) otherwise its for your information.

Looking forward to seeing you at the final dinner meeting and if not have a great summer and thanks again.

Mike Murray President



4 6th Annual Golf Tournament

Date: Friday, June 9, 2000

Place: St. Clair Parkway

Cost: \$60.00

Tee Off: 7:30 a.m.



Your Executive wishes to provide a fun day for all members and potential members with our Sixth Annual Golf Tournament. It will be an open invitational and our objective is to have everyone enjoy themselves, whether they happen to be serious or simply a once a year golfer. The tournament will include green fees, dinner and prizes. Start lining up your team partners. Mark down the date and let's make this year's tournament a great success.

(A) Great Web Site References

This information has been taken from the Section Leader Brief. This Brief will be delivered to you via e-mail each month, and it can also be found on ISA OnLine. http://www.isa.org/fmo/sections/indexspb/

Please review this month's issue carefully for articles which you'll hopefully find useful in managing your Section

Section pages on ISA website

http://www.isa.org/fmo/sections/pdf/secttemplateguide.pdf. Contact your Staff administrator for your Section's user id and password.

Information for Canadian Section Treasurers

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Society Structure Task Force

If you have not been able to attend your District workshop, you can review the presentation online at: http://www.isa.org/isaolp/sstf/sstfintro.html

Section in the Spotlight

With over 1,700 members, the Houston Section is the largest one in ISA. To learn more about the Section, visit: http://www.isa.org/~houst/.

Web-Based Seminars Available for Section Programming

For more details, the 2000 schedule, or to register, visit http://www.isa.org/training/websem/



(3) The Evolution of Level Measurement: The Next Step in Radar

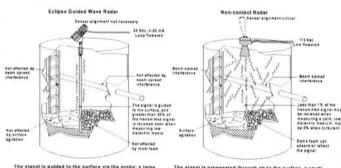
Written for the Sarnia ISA by Kevin Martyn Magnetrol Canada (email kmartyn@magnetrol.com)

To many, radar is the "be all and end all" level measurement technology, the answer to all level measurement applications - or is

As this ISA publication is directed to a technical audience, lets put the marketing superlatives aside, and simply do a technical comparison of a significant new development with some of the current approaches.

First we need to understand that the term radar (RAdio Detection And Ranging) is very general; not all radar level transmitters are the same. Generally the term is applied to microwave based level transmitters, but there are actually several, very different approaches to radar level measurement. Some are, Pulsed Time of Flight (PTOF), Frequency Modulated Continuous Wave (FMCW), and now Guided Wave Radar (GWR). The differences between all these types is beyond the scope of this article, but let's break it into two basic categories. Through air, or non contacting radar; and Guided Wave or contacting radar (sometimes referred to as TDR or Time Domain Reflectometry, as that is one aspect of it; implemented using Micropower Impulse Radar). Both approaches have their pros and cons, and can suit different applications. We will confine our overview to devices typically costing under \$3000 as that is a common target for devices intended for general application.

The diagram below indicates some of the typical differences between these two basic types.



The signal is guided to the surface via the probe; a large percentage of useable energy is returned to the transmitter

The signal is propagated through air to the surface, a small

As you can see, the guided wave approach, allows you to put the energy where you want, and need it. It is concentrated around the outside of the wave guide (basically just a metal rod or cable, that can be cut, bent, angled etc.), it is greater than 20 times more efficient than through air radar, which uses a much less efficient transmission means, losing most of the signal in the vapour space and to beam spread. The diagram perhaps unfairly compares a line powered non contact radar, with a loop powered device. However this is an example where a loop powered guided wave version, can out perform the through air version, because of it's efficiency. There are loop powered non contact radar devices, but they must store and build up energy, and duty cycle the pulse transmission and signal processing. With the averaging and signal processing involved, the return signal from a turbulent or fast moving level can easily move out of the window being analyzed, and be lost. Therefore they are generally more suitable for calm slow moving liquid surfaces. GWR on the other hand, taking over 200,000 readings a second gives an almost instantaneous response. We therefore feel GWR has many advantages for process control applications, making it's application much more universal. In

addition to overall level, GWR has the capability to measure a liquid / liquid interface as well. Non contact, on the other hand, has advantages in large storage tanks with calm surfaces and few obstructions, where there is little chance of the antenna being splattered with process media.

This chart summaries the differences:

| Technology> Process Conditions | Eclipse Guided Wave Radar (loop powered) | Non Contact Radar (loop power) NO, much more limited. Very expensive increase for high temperature capability | | | | | |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| -230F to 750F | Yes | | | | | | |
| Full vacuum to 5000 psi | Yes | NO | | | | | |
| Er <1.4* | Yes | NO in turbulent conditions | | | | | |
| Changing Er* | Yes | Yes | | | | | |
| Changing SG | Yes | Yes | | | | | |
| Liquid / liquid Interface capability | Yes | NO | | | | | |
| Vapors | Yes | Some | | | | | |
| Foam | Most | Some | | | | | |
| High Turbulence | Yes | NO | | | | | |
| Buildup on antenna | Most | NO (high Er) | | | | | |
| Obstructions | Yes | Some | | | | | |
| Retrofit in existing chambers or bridles | Yes | Limited by size, build up and branch connections | | | | | |
| Off Perpendicular performance (angled vessel entry) | Yes | NO | | | | | |
| Leak Sources (pollution) | 1 | 1 | | | | | |
| Accuracy: +/- % of Span | <0.25% | <0.25% | | | | | |
| Fast response time | Yes | NO | | | | | |
| Special vessel construction required (Still well) | NO | Yes in turbulent, low dielectric media | | | | | |
| Hardware \$ | Low - medium | Starts medium and can climb quickly with application, or need to go line power | | | | | |
| Maximum range | 50 Feet | 66 Feet , but reduces quickly depending on process conditions. | | | | | |

^{*} Er = electrical dielectric

Request technical bulletin 57-201.0 for more information on radar type comparison.

To be continued...

Be sure to watch for the conclusion of this article in your next Annunicator.

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