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ISA CHICAGO
2009—2010
CALENDAR

- Feb 2—Non-Automotive Robotics
- Mar 2—Goose Island Brewery
- Apr 6—Network Buses
- May 4—Elections
- July 9—Golf Outing

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

One thing that never fails to impress me is the dedication of ISA members. From small section events, to regional and topical conferences, to the flagship ISA event held annually in Houston, ISA members provide time, money and material to make these events happen.

And as we learned in the December technical meeting on Professional Networking (see Page 2), providing support to professional

organizations such as ISA Chicago can pay big future dividends to YOU.

In the spirit of networking and volunteerism, we are asking you to consider the ways in which you can support ISA Chicago.

You can't run for an Executive Board position in May? No problem, maybe you can provide 1-2 hours per month to help a board member write the newsletter or organize a meeting? Or perhaps just 15 minutes

per month drumming up interest among your co-workers about the monthly presentation topic.

The point is, there are opportunities of all levels for you. Check out Page 5 of the newsletter and see what strikes your interest, and then contact us at (630) 781-6544 or peter.herena@kenexis.com to find out more.

FEBRUARY EVENTS

Technical Meeting

Industrial Robotics for General Industrial Applications



Location
Villa Nova Restaurant
237 West St. Charles Rd
Villa Park
(630) 832-8430

Agenda
Tuesday, February 2
Social Hour 5:00 PM
Dinner 6:00 PM
Presentation 7:00 PM



DECEMBER MEETING RECAP

Paul Cameron of DriveStaff Inc. discussed the art and science of professional networking at the ISA Chicago December technical presentation.



Presenter Paul Cameron discusses the art of professional networking

Some tips he shared with the audience was the importance of maintaining a positive attitude, speaking positively and following up words with timely action.

He also stressed the value of defining a strategy when networking at a professional event. This includes setting a list of goals, contacting the people in the room who are important to supporting your objectives, and using conversational techniques that enable free flow of information.

A copy of the presentation is available at the ISA Chicago website, http://www.isa.org/Content/Microsites355/Chicago/Home353/Networking_for_Job_Seekers.pdf

Paul reminds us that the most popular and effective methods of finding new employment is to use professional networking. Networking can take on many forms; direct communication "through the grapevine," professional referrals, recruiters and professional organizations.

For more information, check out the DriveStaff website, <http://www.drivestaff.com> or you can follow Paul on his radio program "Job Talk," Thursdays from 4-5 pm on WJG 1530 AM.

ISA Chicago would like to thank Paul for his contribution to the chapter, and also to Wiss, Janney, Elstner (WJE) Associates for hosting the meeting.



ISA Chicago Secretary Joe Zegan presents a token of appreciation to Paul

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February Technical Meeting

Industrial Robotics for General Industrial Applications

Date: Tuesday, February 2nd

Agenda: 5:00 PM Social Hour, 6:00 Dinner, 7:00 Presentation

Location: Villa Nova Restaurant

237 West St. Charles Road

Villa Park, IL

(630) 832-8430

Cost: \$25 for members, \$30 for non-members

RSVP: Peter Hereña, (630) 497-1250 ext. 115 OR peter.herena@kenexis.com

About the Topic:

As the automotive market for industrial robotics continues to shrink, robot manufacturers have increasingly been looking for opportunities to bring the same labor savings, improved quality and increased productivity to a wide variety of general industrial markets. With proven technology and simplified programming and control, industrial robots are now viable for a wide range of operations of all sizes. The subject of this presentation will focus on Packaging, Welding and Solar panel and cell manufacturing.

About the Speaker:

Gregory Johnson is a Territory Sales Manager for ABB Robotics, with North American headquarters in Auburn Hills, MI. Mr. Johnson, based in McHenry, IL, has been actively involved in the industrial robotic automation world since 1985 where he began as an end-of arm tooling designer in the plastics injection molding industry.

In 1994 a move into the world of the four and six axis articulated style robots brought exposure to a much wider range of opportunities for palletizing, packing, material handling, load/unload, material removal and dispense type applications in a growing array of general industrial segments. A subsequent promotion to Engineering Manager exposed Mr. Johnson to the challenges of executing international robotic projects both in the United States and Mexico.

In his 25th year in the industrial robotic industry Greg has experience in all major markets and applications including medical, alternative energy, welding, packaging and painting, and has contributed to most all aspects of design, manufacture, application, execution and the sales of industrial robots.

For more information, visit the Chicago Section Website. At the website you can download a single-page PDF version of this invitation for easier printout. [View Link](#)

PDH certificates will be available upon request



2010 Table Top Show

Date: Thursday, February 25, 2010
Time: 3:00 PM to 7:30 PM
Location: Harrah's Joliet Casino and Hotel Ballroom
151 N. Joliet Street, Joliet, IL
(815) 740-7800

Free to Attend and Free Food!

To Pre-Register as an Attendee:

<http://www.isawilldupage.com/TabletopShowAttendeeRegistration.aspx>

OR go to ISA, Will-DuPage Website

<http://www.isawilldupage.com/Home.aspx>, and follow links

- *Click on Upcoming Events*
- *Table Top Show*
- *Attendee Application*
- *Apply On-Line (Attendee)*

After you sign-up, you will be sent an email confirmation number. This number can be used to edit your information by going to the Website.

<http://www.isawilldupage.com/TabletopAttendeeEditConfNumEntry.aspx>.

Help Wanted: Inquire Within

These are just some of the roles we are looking for filling. They represent excellent opportunities to showcase your leadership, organizational and technical skills to a wide audience!

Contact Peter Herena at (630) 781-6544 or Peter.Herena@Kenexis.com for more information!

Meeting Coordination (3-4 hours per month): Do you enjoy planning and organizing events? Support the Program Chair in researching and booking venues for monthly meetings. Attendance at the meeting is not required.

Newsletter Coordination (2-3 hours per month): Do you enjoy writing and publishing? Support the Secretary in developing the monthly ISA Chicago newsletter, Events.

Business Liaison (1 hour per month): Do you enjoy networking and have a lot of professional connections? Support the chapter by communicating with business leadership to gather feedback on their topics of interest, provide information about monthly meetings and to identify opportunities for mutual support.

Academic Liaison (1 hour per month): Do you enjoy networking and have a lot of connections with educational institutions (colleges and universities)? Support the chapter by communicating with academic leadership to gather feedback on their topics of interest, provide information about monthly meetings and to identify opportunities for mutual support.

Company Captain (15 minutes per month): Do you know a lot of people within your organization or circle of professional contacts who have an interest in attending ISA meetings? Support the Secretary in communicating the monthly meeting details and posting ISA communication to help increase meeting attendance.