

# READ-OUT

BATON ROUGE SECTION

**ISA—The Instrumentation, Systems,  
and Automation Society**



**Scholarship Awards,  
Board Member Nominations & Voting  
&  
“Engineering Ethics”**

By: Dr. Armando Corripio, Jay Affolter Professor LSU

**Thursday, May 12th, 2005**

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**President's Corner**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the membership for a rewarding year as Section President. The support at our monthly meetings this year has been outstanding. I would also like to thank the presenters at this year's monthly meetings. Our meetings would not have been a success without your support. Finally, to the section officers, thanks to everyone for going over and beyond with your countless volunteer hours. Your leadership and support has encouraged others to become active in our Section and has made my job easy.

This month's activities in the Section will be very special. On May 12, Dr. Armando Corripio Jay Affolter Professor, Department of Chemical Engineering LSU will present "Engineering Ethics." The meeting will take place at Drusilla Restaurant at 6:30PM and guests are welcome to attend. Registration details are enclosed. At this meeting we will honor our 2005 scholarship recipients. The scholarships provide incentives for students to become interested in instrumentation, automation and control. Scholarship criteria are as follows:

1. Student is to be enrolled in an accredited university, college or technical school.
2. Student should be about **half way** through his or her program.
3. Emphasis is on instrumentation curricula:
  - a. Technical school: instrumentation
  - b. University or college: a related field if no instrumentation major is available. i.e.: Electrical, Chemical or Mechanical Engineering.
4. Excellence in academic performance should be considered along with need.

This years recipient's of the \$500 awards are as follows:

- ITI:** Brandon Vasquez
- Louisiana State University:** Scott Charles Simon
- Southern University:** Tuere T. Davis
- Baton Rouge Community College:** Michael Popularas

At the May meeting we will also vote on the 2005-2006 Section officers. If you are interested in holding an officer position with the Baton Section, please contact me at [Melissa.Dotson@shell.com](mailto:Melissa.Dotson@shell.com).

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**Certified Automation Professional (Question from CAP Domain IV — Development)**

**Which PLC programming languages consists of contacts, timers, and counters?**

- A. Sequential Function Charts (SFC)
- B. Ladder Diagram (LD)
- C. Function Block Diagram (FBD)
- D. Structured Text (ST)

Answer: B. Ladder Diagram (LD)

The Ladder Diagram Language consists of relay-type logic, timing, counting, and basic math operations. SFC and FBD are graphical languages in a high level structured language. Reference: Lewis. *Programming Industrial Central Systems Using IEC 1131-3*. IEE Publishing, 1998.

**Certified Control Systems Technician (Question from Level I, Domain IV—Start-up)**

**The integral action, which is part of a PID algorithm, is often called:**

- A. rate
- B. reset
- C. gain
- D. insert

Answer: B. Reset

The three terms (proportional-integral-derivative) of the PID algorithm have other designations. Rate (answer A) action is another name for derivative control mode, and reset (answer B) is another name for integral control action.

The proportional term relates to the gain (answer C) in that the term gain, proportional is the ratio of the change in output caused by the proportional control action to the change in input. Answer D has no relationship to PID control.

**Certified Industrial Maintenance Mechanic (Question from Domain I — Maintenance Practices)**

**Prior to operating a powered industrial lift truck in the plant, each operator must successfully complete:**

- A. An approved training program.
- B. The accompanying work order.
- C. All non-essential maintenance tasks first.
- D. A hot work permit.

Answer: A. An approved training program.

OSHA requires that all operators of powered industrial lift trucks undergo classroom and field-testing. Because of the hazards presented by the elevated loads while in motion, it is imperative that operators fully understand how to properly handle equipment and loads. The operator must also demonstrate the ability to properly inspect and operate powered industrial lift trucks before a certificate is issued.

Reference: IBEW-NECA. OSHA Requirements for General Industry. IBEW-NECA, 2003.

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Dear District 7 ISA Members,  
 The annual DLC offers opportunities to network and participate in workshops designed to improve each individual and Section. It is important for each Section to send representatives. Right now, it looks like the registration will be \$25.00. This will include Friday evening dinner and entertainment at a private beach house hosted by the Houston Section, breakfast & lunch on Saturday and breaks. For more information, please contact Joan Houghton-Bonds at 225-752-1326 or jrbonds@eatel.net.

**Tentative Agenda for the conference in Galveston, TX.**

**Friday, May 20**

- 1:00 p.m. Plant tour possibly of Moody Gardens especially the aquarium.
- 3:30 District 7 Meeting
- Friday evening** - Houston is putting together a "luau" & entertainment at Doug Zimmerman's beach house.

**Saturday, May 21**

- 8:30 am Breakfast
- 9:00 HOW TO CREATE AND MAINTAIN A CULTURE OF MOTIVATION WITHIN ORGANIZATIONS.

At the DLC in 2004 many asked for more leadership training. This Workshop is on Leadership by Max Ellzey of Ellzey Consulting Group. Max is an adjunct professor of Management and Organizational Behavior at Pepperdine University's Graduate School of Business and Management and a popular guest lecturer for several doctoral classes.

- 11:00 Workshop on Reviving an Organization- Lafayette Section
- 12:00 Awards Luncheon - Speaker Lowell McCaw, Immediate Past President of ISA
- 1:30 'til Section Roundtable.

Registration form is attached on the last page!

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**Membership Questions and Answers**

**Q.** How do we convince corporate management of the value of ISA participation?

**A.** ISA members in a company are in the best position to make this case by pointing out to management the value to the company of the technical information and networking opportunities available through ISA. ISA benefits are outlined on the ISA website and staff can also answer any specific questions about the benefits of membership.

**Q.** What is the personal value of being an ISA leader?

**A.** Comment from a society leader - The personal and professional growth opportunities afforded by ISA leadership involvement are reasons for staying as a member. Membership Services

**Q.** How does a member change or update his/her ISA record on line, and how does this affect Section assignment? Some members report unsolicited Section changes following online updates.

**A.** Member records can be changed online by following the path:Members &Leaders>My ISA>MyMembership>Update My Record. A change to an address will result in a member being assigned to the default Section assigned by the Zip Code mapping system in the ISA database. In some cases, a member desires to belong to a Section outside of the default assignment. A notice appears on the ISA site that in this situation the member should email ISA Customer Service to retain his/her Section assignment, if it is not the default Section.

**Q.** Is the ISA email service provided to all members a POP3 email service?

**A.** POP3 allows users to access their email through a standard email client like Outlook or Lotus Notes. Because we are not set up for POP3, all the member.isa.org email comes into our server through a single email account and then is distributed to appropriate folders associated with each Member's profile. Staff is looking into the implications of adding a POP3 email service.

**Q.** How can we provide more leadership training opportunities with a goal of developing future Section Leaders?

**A.** The East/West Coast Leadership training was discontinued after several years of declining attendance. The combined events were drawing less than 25 leaders annually and cost the Society about \$35,000 to support the two events, or about \$700/ attendee on average and not all of the attendees were first-timers. A leadership training track is offered at the PSM and at the PFM 2003. In addition, last fall we began offering ongoing leadership training sessions online. These live sessions are also archived so Section leaders can access them at any time. The Society also supports leadership training through support of the DLCs. The Society will invest \$35,000 in DLC training in 2004. The Professional Development Department (PDD) has developed a new leadership development training program that will consist of a combination of synchronous and asynchronous web training. Any ISA member will be eligible to participate in the program and those who successfully complete the program will be awarded a certificate of completion and PDH credit. The program is expected to launch in the late 2003

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### *Upcoming Calendar of Events...*

<b>May 12th</b> <b>6:30pm - 8:30pm</b>	<b>Topic: Engineering Ethics</b> <b>Location: Drusilla Seafood Restaurant, Baton Rouge</b>
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# ISA District 7 2005 Leadership Conference

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The 2005 ISA District 7 Leadership Conference will be hosted by the Houston, TX Section and will be held at the Moody Gardens in Galveston Friday, May 20 through Saturday May 21. In addition to visiting Galveston itself, there are a lot of activities at Moody Gardens that are educational and/or entertaining. See their web site at <http://www.moodygardens.com>

### Costs

Registration will be \$25 for each ISA member attending. This can be paid ahead of time or on site. For the luncheon on Saturday, \$15 will be charged for those not registered as attendees.

A block of rooms has been reserved for \$149.00 per night. That rate will be available on Thursday 5/19, Friday 5/20, and Saturday 5/21, for those who may need to come early or leave on Sunday. Please make your reservations by the April 28 deadline. Reservations can be made by calling 800-582-4673 or 409-741-8484. Please let the hotel know that you are with ISA - The Instrumentation, Systems, and Automation Society.

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Registration \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Additional lunches@ \$15 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Checks for registration can be made out to Joan Houghton-Bonds*

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