



Setting the Standard for Automation

New Orleans Section

December 2011 The Current Pnewsletter

Next Section Meeting

- Date Tuesday
December 6, 2011
- Place Smilie's Restaurant
Harahan, Louisiana
- Time Open at 6:00 p.m.
Serving at 6:30 p.m.
- Price Admission \$15 per person
- RSVP isa_neworleans@yahoo.com
Type your name, quantity in party



Automation Week

Technology and Solutions Event

If you couldn't make it to this year's ISA Automation Week, here's what you missed...

ISA Automation Week is so much more than your average expo, it incorporates factory tours, luncheons, receptions, and an honors and awards gala, just to name a few events.



Next year's ISA Automation Week will be held in Orlando, Florida on September 24-27 at the Orange County Convention Center.

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Dear Fellow Members,

The ISA New Orleans Section is your professional organization to assist you in keeping active in the automation industry.

In October and November, we had member meeting at Smilie's restaurant with PDH's being issues to all requesting members.

In October, Mike Williamson attended the Council of Society Delegates in Mobile, AL. He represented our section in the discussions of ISA's governance re-structure resolution. Final vote on this issue will be next year.

One benefit of ISA membership is the ISA magazine InTech. It is available online or delivered to your home.

On December 6, 2011, we will have our ISA member's meeting and dinner at Smilie's restaurant. Our speaker, Judy Phillipott, will explain changes in this year's tax code that will concern all of us.

I look forward to seeing you at our next members meeting, on December 6th.

Sincerely,

Chaille Percy

Articles & Announcements

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Submit an article or announcement to *The Current Pnewsletter* to Anna Schindler at anna.schindler@awc-inc.com.

Deadline

Materials must be submitted by the 10th day of the month preceeding the issue in which it should appear. Please submit typed material via e-mail.

MINUTES**ISA Board Meeting**

11/1/2011

5:00 PM

Smilie's Restaurant
5725 Jefferson Highway
Harahan, LA 70123

Meeting called by: John Chaille Percy (504-214-8612)
Type of meeting: Regular Monthly Board Meeting

Agenda Topics**1. Call to Order - 5:00 PM - By Chaille Percy**

1.1 Safety Topics - Correct use of PPE, Change Batteries in smoke detectors this weekend and Cycling Safety

2. Old Business

2.1 Review Meeting minutes - Reviewed and approved

2.2 Newsletter - We will publish a Nov issue to get back on track. All content due to Anna by 11/10/11.

3. New Business

3.1 President - Chaille Percy

3.2 President Elect - Bill Reynolds - Resigned from position due to new job and travel requirements.

3.3 Vice President - Bill Brock - Will become VP/President-Elect

3.4 Treasurer's Report and Financial - Chris Bruno filed a 990M as we meet the requirements of less than \$50K rev

- Chris also discussed an opportunity for section members to mentor and donate to Senior Projects at UNO. More detail to follow.

3.5 Education Chair - Bob Deeb Not present

3.6 Program Chair - Calendar of Events - Toby Miller

- Larry Saunders may speak at Jan meeting. Topic TBD. Judy Philpott will speak at the Dec meeting.

Document Management/Sharepoint is a potential topic for Feb. Beth Walker checking on a speaker.

It was also mentioned that there are speakers registered with ISA willing to travel to present at section mtgs.

3.7 Annual Golf Tournament - Pat Lyles Not present

3.8 Membership Chair - Bobby Esler

- Would like to see the section focus on the Exhibit as an opportunity to drive membership.

3.9 Newsletter - Anna Schindler Not present

- Target distribution of Newsletters will be 2 weeks prior to monthly meeting.

3.10 Delegate - Mike Williamson

- Attended the Annual Council of Society Delegates Meeting in Mobile, AL on Oct, 17.

A resolution to restructure governance was referred to committee and will be voted on in 2012.

The creation of an Affiliate Membership passed and a language change to Membership also passed.

Meeting minutes can be found at: <http://www.isa.org/filestore/microsites/CSD/2011CSDMinutes.doc>

The biggest issue facing ISA is membership. Most sections are down 50%. We discussed the need to reach out to the technician community as we build back membership.

3.11 Website - Beth Walker - Website has been updated. Contact info corrected.

3.12 Honors & Awards - Ram Ramachandran Asked for shrimp boil cooks to be given a \$50 gift card for their help and support. This vote passed.

3.13 Secretary - Dean Bickerton Will write an article on First Lego League for Dec Newsletter.

3.14 Arrangements Chair - Mike Benbow

5. Next Meeting: December 6th at Smilie's**6. Adjournment - 6:00PM - By Chaille Percy**

ISA New Orleans Section 2011–12 Program and Meeting Schedule

Date	Topic	Speaker
Tuesday, 6 December	2011 Tax Year Update Smilie's Restaurant	Judy Phillipott, EA Executive Tax Service
Tuesday, 10 January	In planning Smilie's Restaurant	
Tuesday, 7 February	In planning Smilie's Restaurant	
Tuesday, 6 March	In planning Smilie's Restaurant	
Thursday, 12 April	ISA New Orleans Table Top Exhibit	
Friday, 13 April	Golf Classic	
Friday, 18 May	Honors and Awards Banquet	

Section Meeting: Tuesday—December 6, 2011

Guest Speaker: Judy Phillipott

Topic: 2011 Tax Year Update

In addition to the annual 1040 revisions, Judy will discuss:

- Energy Credit change,
- Social Security tax implications of receiving SSA benefits,
- Rental property,
- Self-employment tax issues, and working after retirement.

Executive Tax Service is a full service professional tax preparation and tax planning company located in Metairie, Louisiana, assisting residents of Louisiana, other states, and other countries. Their goal is to minimize the taxpayer's liability by preparing a complete and accurate tax return.

The company was founded by Judith W. Phillipott, EA, an **Enrolled Agent since 1985**, who has earned the privilege of practicing, (representing taxpayers), before the Internal Revenue Service and the Tax Court in all tax matters.

Judy is a tax professional with 31 years of experience. Laurie P. Schmaltz, EA is a tax professional of 6 years experience, and is also an Enrolled Agent. Both are active members of the *National Association of Enrolled Agents (NAEA)*, the *National Association of Tax Professionals (NATP)*, and the *Louisiana Society of Enrolled Agents (LSEA)*.

Judy is a board member of LSEA.

Laurie is a board member of the local chapter of NATP and serves on the Education Committee for LSEA.

Judy and Laurie have completed two out of three years of training in the Fellowship Program of the *National Tax Practice Institute (NTPI)*, and will be recognized as **NTPI Fellows** in 2012.

Executive Tax Service personnel have a thorough knowledge of State and Federal tax codes, and are available on a year round basis.

Announcements

A magnifying glass is positioned over a newspaper page, highlighting a 'HELP WANTED' sign. The sign is in the center of the page, surrounded by columns of placeholder text. The magnifying glass handle is on the left, and the lens is focused on the sign. The sign itself is a simple rectangular box with the words 'HELP WANTED' in bold, black, sans-serif capital letters.

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