

## **April 2012 Newsletter**

Wed. JNativeHook: Global Keyboard and Mouse Computer

11 **Hooking for Java** Alexander Barker, CLU Mar.

Richter Auditorium, California Lutheran University

6:30 pizza, networking, 7pm presentation

Wed. **MTTS** What the future holds for RF front-end

18 hardware architectures in handset applications

AES Apr. James P. Young, Skyworks Solutions Inc. **LMAG** 6:30 pm – refreshments, 7pm presentation

Ciao Wireless, 4000 Via Pescador, Camarillo CA

Wed. **EMBS Brain-Machine Interfaces** 

25 Dr. AJ Bieszczad, CSU Channel Islands

6pm dinner (\$10 at door, no RSVP), 7pm discussion Apr.

California Lutheran University Ahmanson Hall (ASC

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More info: <a href="http://www.ieee-bv-embs.org/?p=367">http://www.ieee-bv-embs.org/?p=367</a>

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Mon. Section **Section Operating Committee Meeting** 

**Section and Chapter Officers** 30 6:30 PM Mandarin Buffet, TO Apr.

No events planned this month. ComSoc Apr.

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- Bridge Carney, Section Vice Chair, Membership Dev.

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Nominations close April 30, 2012.

-- Christian Ziegler, Section Awards Chair

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## Sr. Electrical Engineer

Alfred Mann Foundation
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for a Sr. Electrical Engineer who can
design, analyze & perform PCB layouts
for analog, power supply, RD &
embedded digital designs. This is a
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## **Principal Electronics Engineer**

Pasadena medical device company searching for EE with a high-level responsibility for design & implementation of electronic systems. Requires embedded, RF, antenna, custom IC development and hands-on experience.

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#### Please Welcome Our New Members

Our IEEE central membership database is down for maintenance at publication time. We'll update you about our new members soonest!

Members can find and make contacts by searching MemberNet at the IEEE Member Portal. For new members, please update and share your information at the portal to help connect you to everyone, and remember to set up your new IEEE email forwarding address.



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--Zak Cohen, Section Secretary

- Karl Geiger, Section Chair

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### **Ventura County Science Fair**

Congratulations to the IEEE BV Section's Special Prize Winners at Ventura County's 2012 Science Fair.

- Anthony Khodanian for his project "A Computer, From Scratch!"
- Lindsey Hulsebus, "Forget Me Not an iPad Application for Alzheimer's Patients and Caregivers".
- Benjamin Baraad, "ReMynder Binder".
- Derek Busch, "The Speed of Light: Explore Solar Energy with a Supercapacitor Car Motor".



Left to right: Anthony Khodanian, Doug Askegard (Past Section Chair), Lindsey Hulsebus, Karl Geiger (Current Section Chair), Benjamin Baraad,
Momin Quddus (AES Chair). Not shown: Dr. Charles Seabury.

Many thanks to the terrific work at the Ventura County Office of Education. The competition was organized by John Tarkany and the awards master of ceremonies was Dr. Roger Rice. VC district schools and VCOE work very hard to encourage science, technology, engineering, and mathematics and these gentlemen, their staffs, and our science and math teachers especially need your gratitude and support.

Read the full story and details about the winning projects at

http://www.ieee-bv.org/2012/03/bv-section-2012-science-fair-winners/



# **Section and Chapter News and Events**



# JNativeHook: Global Keyboard and Mouse Hooking for Java

The Java programming language has supported keyboard and mouse input beginning with version 1.1. These low-level events are generated within registered component objects of the currently running application. Because there is no alternative input method, this behavior makes it impossible for a programmer to receive user input outside the focus of their application. This poses a serious problem for applications designed to run in the background or in a minimized state but still require some type of user input.

The JNativeHook library has solved this problem by utilizing platform-specific native code to tap low-level operating system keyboard and mouse events and deliver them to Java. Although native code was utilized to provide this added functionality, great care was taken to preserve both a portable and uniform experience across all supported Java platforms.

About the Speaker

Alexander Barker is a senior programmer at California Lutheran University's Information Systems and Services. He is completed his MSCS degree.

Where:

Richter Auditorium, California Lutheran University

When:

Wed 14 April, 6:30pm Networking, 7:00pm Presentation

More Info:

http://www.ieee-bv-cs.org/





# MICROWAVE THEORY AND TECHNIQUES SOCIETY **BUENA VENTURA SECTION**





Wed April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2012 Date/ Time:

> 6:30 PM Pizza & networking

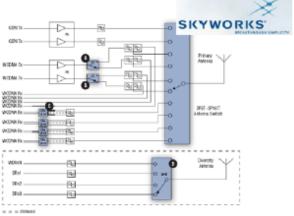
7:00 PM Presentation

Location: Ciao Wireless

> 4000 via Pescador Camarillo, CA 93012

Speaker: James Young

> VP of Advanced Dev Skyworks Solutions





Pre-distortion & envelope tracking in handset PAs

Title: What the future holds for RF front end

hardware architectures in handset applications

#### Abstract:

With the growth of smart phone sales and applications run on portable devices. data transferred over cellular networks is exploding. To meet this increase in data handling, handset RF front end complexity swells. Slim phones limit battery space as well as the room for RF front end architectures which must increase band coverage while reducing battery consumption. This talk will examine the competing front end architectures for future cellular markets. Example front end architectures will include discrete, multi-band, multi-mode, converged, and hybrid PA architectures. In addition, advantages and disadvantages of pre-distortion and envelope tracking as they apply to handset power amplifier applications will be discussed.

James P. Young is Vice President of Advanced Development at Skyworks Solutions Inc where he is responsible for cellular power amplifier and front end module design. His expertise includes power amplifier and RFIC circuit and system design. He was co-author of the first single chip radio in 1987, and since then has worked on a variety of highly integrated mixed signal receivers, exciters and power amplifiers in CMOS, BiCMOS, Bipolar and GaAs technologies. James has over 30 year of experience in RF design management and circuit design having held management positions at Skyworks Solutions Inc., Conexant Systems, and the Advanced Technology Division of Rockwell

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# MICROWAVE THEORY AND TECHNIQUES SOCIETY BUENA VENTURA SECTION



Collins. He developed and taught the "RF CMOS Design" course for Besser Associates from 1999 to 2007. James holds thirteen patents, has authored or co-authored many papers and taught several short courses in this field.

# Directions to Ciao Wireless:

4000 Via Pescador

#### From LA and South

Take the I-405N.

Take the US-101/VENTURA FWY North

Exit FLYNN RD and go straight.

Turn RIGHT onto VIA PESCADOR. (2nd Road on RIGHT)

#### From Santa Barbara and North:

Take the US-101S/VENTURA FWY towards LOS ANGELES.

Take the DAWSON DRIVE exit and turn RIGHT from the ramp.

Turn RIGHT at the light onto DAWSON DRIVE.

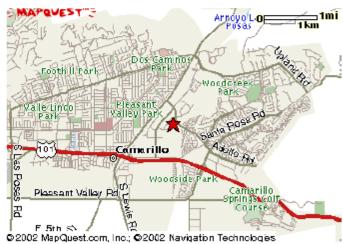
Turn LEFT at the light onto FLYNN ROAD.
Turn RIGHT onto VIA PESCADOR

Turn RIGHT onto VIA PESCADOR. (2nd Road on RIGHT)

Camarillo Ca.

Phone: 805-389-3224





# April 25 – AJ Bieszczad, CSUCI, Brain Machine Interfaces

We welcome back Dr. AJ Bieszczad to update us on his research on biologically-inspired computation.



Prof. Andrzej Bieszczad is Associate Professor, and Director of Master Program in the Computer Science Program at California State University Channel Islands. He received his PhD in Systems and Computer Engineering in 1996 at Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada. His research interests include artificial and computational intelligence, networking, and game programming.

#### Where

Ahmanson Science Center, California Lutheran University

#### When

Wed 25 Apr.6pm dinner, 7pm presentation. No RSVP; dinner is \$10 at the door

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