President’s Message

This Summer has been a nice summer for SMTA. We have had two really nice golf outings. The Utah outing was better attended and for some there were some extracurricular activities that made it almost a 3 day event. I think I found the kiddie hole on the trout stream and caught a lot of really nice fish. Of course it was all catch and release. The skeet shooting left my arm sore for the golfing the next day. We had a great golf outing with lots of prizes and a great lunch. Gordon Jackman does a great job of organizing this. Next year we are going to give him some help up front, if we get some volunteers from the Utah area to work with us next year. If you would like to help Gordon with this next year, let us know. A Special thanks to all the sponsors for the tournament.

The Idaho golf outing was fairly successful for the first year. We had 6 teams, 3 of which tied for first place. After a card playoff, the Plexus team won first place. The Plexus team did have 1 Computrol player. The Ridgecrest course is a very nice course, but there are a lot of real nice courses in the Boise area so we will probably change the course each year. I think we have decided that we want to continue to do this in Boise. A special thank you also, to our Sponsors for this tournament.

On October 4th we are doing a Vendor conference at the University of Utah. We already have a significant number of vendors signed up and we finalized our last speaker today. We will have a great program. I hope all of you will put that date on your calendar. It will be a great technical program, free lunch and a chance to meet many of the suppliers of the products that we use in this industry and see what is new and how they can help you. For all of you in Idaho, I will be driving down to the conference if any of you want a ride.

Don’t forget SMTAI on October 14-18 In Orlando Florida. I plan on being there. SMTA has the best technical program and vendor show than any of the other large conferences. You can get the information at SMTA.org.

In November we will again be having our Member appreciation dinner for our members and their significant others. If you are not a member of SMTA, now is the time to join. There are a lot of great benefits. We have had a couple of new volunteers to help us out for next year, but we need more. If you would like to be one of the officers of our chapter, let us know. The time commitment is not great but the rewards are.

David Bell
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Held at Birch Creek Golf Course
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TWO UPCOMING EVENTS TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDER

SMTA Technical Symposium
University of Utah

What: Featuring 3 speakers
When: Thursday, Oct 4th 10 am to 4 pm
Where: Warnock Engineering Building
Why: Network, get the latest on Flying Probe Testing, Cleaning under Bottom Terminated Components and How to Prevent Counterfeit Parts and learn about the latest products from hi-tech suppliers.
Cost: FREE

Remember to Mark you calendar for
SMTA International:

Conference: October 14-18, 2012
Exhibition: October 16-17, 2012

Walt Disney World Dolphin
Orlando, FL
Schedule for 2012 – Intermountain Chapter of the SMTA

- February 16, 2011, Chapter Meeting @ L-3 Salt Lake City, Utah
- April 4, 2012, Vendor Conference and Technical Symposium, Boise State University, Idaho
- May 10, 2012, Technical meeting UT
- June 26, 2012, Birch Creek Golf Scramble, Birch Creek in Logan/Smithfield, Gordon Jackman
- August 14, 2012, Boise Golf Scramble, Ridge Crest Golf Club, Nampa, ID, David Bell
- October 04, 2012, Expo and Technical Forum, University of Utah
- November 08, 2012, Thank You Dinner for members more information to come. Boise/SLC/Denver

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