



## Spring 2012 Newsletter

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### Upcoming Events

- Fri, May 25, 2012 .....**Annual ISA Hamilton Section Golf Tournament**  
Chippewa Creek Golf Club - Mount Hope, Ontario
- Tues, May 29, 2012.....Annual General Meeting  
& speaker: “Energy Management Solutions & Capital Expenditures in Relation to ISA 50001”  
ABB Canada, 3450 Harvester Road, Burlington

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## 1. Joint DLC with ISA Districts 5 and 13 – District Leadership Conference Report

The District Leadership Conference, also known as the DLC, is one of the building blocks of the ISA’s program for developing its volunteer leaders. DLCs are focused on providing leadership development opportunities for members of ISA Sections. These annual events give ISA members a chance to get to know each other, to attend leadership development workshops, and collaborate on event planning. They are also venue for the each district’s annual business meeting to take place.

On the weekend of May 5-6 section leaders from ISA District 5 and District 13 came together in Sarnia, Ontario, Canada to hold their 2-day 2012 District Leadership Conference. Hosted by the ISA Sarnia Section, the event brought together ISA members from Eastern Canada (District 13) and Midwestern United States (District 5). District 13 attendees included members from the Hamilton, Sarnia, Toronto, Montreal and Saguenay/Lac St. Jean sections. District 5 attendees included ISA members from the Cleveland, Niagara Frontier, Dayton, Michigan and Toledo sections. Together the members of the two districts were able to collaborate, share ideas, and network.

The DLC kicked off with an evening social and dinner on the Friday night at a well-known fish restaurant looking out over the St. Clair River. Attendees from the Montreal and Saguenay were happy to enjoy the Sarnia hospitality after making the long

drive from Quebec. Participants from ISA District 5 were pleased from smooth trip across the Canadian border. ISA President Bob Lindeman also made the long trek from Tennessee to join the DLC for the dinner and social.



*Group photo from the District 5 & 13 DLC in Sarnia, Ontario, Canada on May 4-6, 2012.*

Saturday had a busy program that began with a 7:30am breakfast. District 13 DVP Antonio Alves called the meeting to order, and opening remarks were made by District 5 DVP Debashis Sadhukhan. ISA Sarnia section president Rob Dickson, and host of the DLC, also welcomed the attendees to the Sarnia area.



The first speaker of the day was ISA President Lindeman. Lindeman gave a motivational speech about the “ISA Structure and Challenges” which talked about new initiatives that ISA leadership is undertaking to increase the services and relevance of the ISA for today’s automation professional. This presentation lead to a spirited round table discussion, where volunteer leaders from Districts 5 and 13 discussed various different options and ideas on how to promote the ISA and encourage new members to join.

After the round table discussion, section members from both districts presented the following workshops for their peers:

- ISA Section Responsibilities  
- John Milhevic, ISA Cleveland Section (District 5)
- Process Flow for Standards Approval  
- Bill Stange, ISA Dayton Section (District 5)
- ISA Cooperation with the CPCA (Canadian Process Control Association)  
- Ryan Kershaw, ISA Toronto Section (District 13)
- Leadership and How it Relates to ISA  
- Bill Stange, ISA Dayton Section (District 5)
- Managing Leadership  
- Patrick Bouwman, ISA Montreal Section (District 13)
- An Overview of the ISA’s Technical Divisions  
- Graham Nasby, ISA Hamilton Section (District 13)
- Test your ISA IQ: Question & Answer Section  
- Bob Popek, ISA Hamilton Section (District 13)

The Saturday concluded with a Roast Beef dinner in the Winners Circle Room at Sarnia’s OLG Waterside Casino. At the dinner, ISA Sarnia president Rob Dickson thanked the group for making the trip to Sarnia and encouraged everyone enjoy the city’s nightlife.

The Sunday consisted of two morning meeting rooms: one for the District 5 Council Meeting and the other for the District 13 Council Meeting. Topics discussed by each district included items such as annual reports from each of the district’s sections; the annual review of their district’s business plan, membership statistics and trends; and the selection of nominators/delegates for the upcoming international-level SLM/FLM meetings. In the meetings, Section presidents also gave PowerPoint presentations highlighting the events and accomplishments of their individual sections.

The DLC wrapped up with a special joint session with District 5 and District 13 members being brought together for certificate presentations. ISA Section presidents for the past year were recognized with appreciation plaques, and special certificates

were given out individuals to recognize outstanding volunteer service. The DLC concluded with a group photo of attendees and a farewell catered lunch.

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## 2. New Mailing Address

Please note that as of May 1, 2012 our mailing address has changed. Please update your records accordingly. Our new address is as follows:

ISA Hamilton Section Inc.  
2030 Headon Forest Drive  
Burlington, Ontario  
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## 3. May 29 - Annual General Meeting (AGM)

The annual general meeting of the ISA Hamilton Section Inc. will be held on May 29, 2012 at in the “Canada Room” at ABB Canada, 3450 Harvester Road, Burlington, Ontario. Dinner will be provided courtesy of ISA Hamilton Inc. Attendees need to RSVP to [program@isahamilton.com](mailto:program@isahamilton.com) beforehand. The agenda is as follows:

- 6:00pm – Networking and Dinner
- 6:30pm – Annual General Meeting
- 6:45pm – Guest Speaker

At the annual general meeting, the previous AGM’s minutes will be reviewed, an annual report given by the section president, and the slate of officers will be confirmed for the following year.

All of our current Directors will continue through the second year of their two-year term.

- President - Kenneth Hamilton
- Vice-President - Graham Nasby
- Secretary - Bob Popek
- Treasurer - Alice Kelly

In addition, our Committee Chair positions will remain the same for the 2012/2013 season.

Some of our executive members are chairing more than one committee. We are eager to welcome new and interested individuals from our Hamilton Section membership to more fully develop our executive board slate. If you're interested in becoming more active in the ISA Hamilton Section, please contact anyone of the executive board directors or committee chairs for more information.