

## Introducing our 2014 Symposium Chair

*By Graham Nasby, WWID Director*

The board and I are pleased to announce that **Kevin Patel**, of Signature Automation, will be the general symposium chair for our 2014 and 2015 WWAC Symposia.



Kevin has been a member of the WWID board since 2011, and was heavily involved with the organizing committee for the WWAC 2012 symposium. For the past year he has served as Assistant Chair of our WWAC 2013 symposium, and was our symposium tour coordinator. Kevin has been on the symposium program committee for the past two years.

Kevin is the vice-president and a founding partner of Signature Automation, a Dallas-Texas based automation consulting firm that is dedicated to providing quality and reliable automation solutions and offers planning, assessments, programming, training, commissioning, documentation and project management services.

Prior to forming Signature Automation, Kevin was an automation project manager with CDM Smith for over eight years. Prior to working at CDM Smith, he also worked at Westin Engineering and Texas Eastern Pipeline as a systems specialist. Within the ISA, Kevin has been heavily involved with several standards committees, most notably ISA18, ISA101, ISA105 and ISA106.

## Joe Provenzano returns as Program Chair

We are delighted to announce that industry veteran Joe Provenzano will be our program committee chair again for the 2014 WWAC Symposium.



Since the start of his career in 1957, Joe has been involved in the automation, instrumentation and control sector for over 50 years. He has worked for companies large and small, and been involved in positions ranging from hands-on technical roles to being part of executive management teams.

Joe began his career with Sperry Gyroscope, where he started as an electronics test technician, and soon rose through the ranks to be manager of one of their naval electronics groups. He then moved onto ITT WorldCom for a short stint before joining Data Master Inc., a division of the Bristol Company. Joe ended up spending 29 years at Bristol where he became their VP of Systems Engineering. In 1994, Joe “retired” from Bristol to start what became a 15 year career as general manager for Aaron Associates – a Connecticut-based system integration firm. Since 2009, Joe has been working as a systems specialist and general manager for a number of small firms, and recently started KPRO Engineering Services.

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