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September Meeting

Date: Thursday, September 23, 2004

Time: **5:30 PM for Dinner (NEW STARTING TIME)**
6:00 PM for presentation

Cost: \$10 for dinner (Whole Hog BBQ)
Presentation is free.

RSVP: Please let Wayne Galli know if you plan to attend by noon, Sept 22rd. He can be contacted at (501) 614-3344 or wgalli@spp.org

Place: Southwest Power Pool Training Room. 6th floor Plaza West Building. (415 N. McKinley Ave)

Directions: I-630 West
Exit University North
Turn left at Father Tribou Street (do not take Lee Street to downtown)
The Plaza West Building is just Northwest of the Park Plaza Mall
Parking is open

Topic: **Photovoltaics and Renewable Energy**

Abstract: This month's presentation will be about photovoltaics and the past, present, and future plans for renewable energy. Our speaker will be William Ball, owner of Stellar Sun, and also the president of the Arkansas Renewable Energy Association. Stellar Sun is a renewable energy company in Little Rock. Mr. Ball was the author of the Arkansas Renewable Energy Development Act of 2001 which passed the legislature last session and he is now a Party to the Public Service Commission's docket for establishing the rules for net metering (where excess power from renewable energy systems is sold back to the utilities) Mr. Ball is familiar with many aspects of renewable energy in Arkansas and will have a very interesting presentation.

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

October 21 – TESLA COIL PRESENTATION / DEMONSTRATION – this meeting will be family oriented and children should enjoy the demonstrations. Officer nominations will be held.

November 18 – TBD and Officer Elections

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If you are interested in serving with IEEE, we will be asking for nominations for officers for 2005 at the upcoming October meeting. All positions will be open for nominations. Elections will be held in November. Induction into office will be at the December meeting. Also, IEEE is seeking nominations for the Region 5 Director-Elect. If you are interested in this position, please contact Wayne Galli for further details.

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