

Joe Lillie – Candidate for IEEE President Elect



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Joe Lillie received the B.S. in Electrical Engineering (1974) and the M.S. in Telecommunications (1997) from the University of Southwestern Louisiana, now the University of Louisiana at Lafayette (ULL). He has 36 years experience in telecommunications engineering and management. Joe was employed by BellSouth Telecommunications from 1973 to 2002. During these years, Joe held positions of Design Engineer, Planner, District Support Manager, Engineering Manager and Planning Manager. When Joe retired in 2002 he was on the Louisiana BellSouth State Staff providing engineering and construction support. In 2003 Joe joined NorthStar Communications Group where he served as the Director of Corporate Quality. In September 2005 Joe returned to BellSouth (now AT&T) working on Hurricane Katrina restoration. Joe continues to provide engineering support to AT&T in Louisiana on a part time basis. During his professional career Joe has attended numerous training sessions on telephony, management, leadership contract administration, and quality management. Joe has been married to Debbie for 37 years. They have two children, both Electrical Engineering graduates of ULL, three grandsons and two granddaughters.

Position Statement – Joe Lillie

I have had the privilege of serving in IEEE leadership positions for several years. This service has allowed me to meet with members from all parts of the world and I have learned tremendously from these meetings. It is clear that we are a diverse group of individuals with diverse needs but with a common goal of serving the profession. By working together we can meet the needs of the members, improve the IEEE and at the same time accomplish our core mission of fostering technological innovation and excellence for the benefit of humanity.

We are the largest technical professional society in the world but we must change to maintain this elite status. To accomplish this change it is important that we focus on the member by providing a better overall member experience, increased member engagement opportunities, and improved member benefits. If we establish the proper focus we can grow the overall membership while at the same time grow society membership and increase overall society participation.

It is also necessary that we change the way we run the business of the IEEE. This change can be accomplished by a proper focus on the operation which must include overall reduced costs, proper staff development and elimination of duplicated services. Once this is accomplished we can reduce the cost of membership and provide improved member services.

I look forward to the opportunity to continue to serve you the member and utilize TEAM IEEE to enhance the IEEE for the benefit of humanity.

IEEE Activities – (S'72-M'73-SM'87) OFFICES: IEEE Board of Directors, 2000-01, 2005-06, 2008-09; IEEE Executive Committee, 2005-06, 2008; Vice President Member and Geographic Activities 2008-09; IEEE Treasurer 2005-06; Member and Geographic Activities Board Chair 2008-09; Regional Activities Board 2000-01, 2003-04, RAB Director 2000-01, RAB Treasurer 2003-04; IEEE-USA Board of Directors, 1998-02; IEEE-USA Vice President, Professional Activities, 1998-99; IEEE-USA Secretary/Treasurer, 2002. COMMITTEES/BOARDS: Finance Committee, 2002-09; Investment Committee, 2005-06; Insurance Committee, 2005-07; Compensation Committee, 2005-06; Employee Benefits Committee, 2005-06; RAB Operating Committee 2003-04, RAB Finance Committee 2003-04; National Engineers Week Committee Chair 2003-04; IEEE-USA Operating Committee, 2001-02, 1998-99; Presidential Blue Ribbon Committee on Board and Governance, 2000-01; Infrastructure Oversight Committee, 2000-01, 2007-08; Initiative Review Ad Hoc Committee, 2001; Individual Benefits and Services Committee, 2000-07; PACE, Council Chair, 1998-99; USAB PACE, Council Vice-Chair, 1996-97; PACE, Regional Activities Committee, 1992-97; PACE Regional Activities Committee, Chair, 1996-97; PACE Regional Activities Committee, Vice-Chair, 1993-95; IEEE-USA Professional Activities Conference Committee, Chair, 1998; PACE Conference Committee, 1994-98; Vice-Chair, 1996; PACE Divisional Activities Committee, 1996-97. REGIONS: Region 5: Director, 2000-01; Past Director, 2002-03; Executive Committee, 1988-05; East Area Chair, 1988-91; PACE, Chair, 1992-95; Quality Coordinator, 1996-99; E-Mail, Coordinator, 1990-96; Audit Committee, 1987. SECTIONS: Lafayette: Executive Committee, 1975-81, 1985-96; Chair, 1979; Vice Chair, 1978; Treasurer, 1976-77; Membership Chair, 1995-97. AWARDS: Third Millennium Medal, 2000; Region 5 Outstanding Member, 1996; USAB Regional Professional Activities Award, 1996; IEEE-USA Citation of Honor 2003.

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