Report from the Technical Awards Panel

The Technical Awards Panel (TAP) comprises:
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The objectives are:
1) to search for suitable candidates from Region 8 for the highest IEEE awards, namely the IEEE Medals and the IEEE Technical field Awards;
2) to assist in the nomination of suitable candidates by finding nominators and supporters;

The deadlines for submission of nominations are:
**February 1st 2011** for the IEEE Technical Field Awards
**July 1st 2011** for the IEEE Medals

All Section Chairs and Chapter Chairs have been urged earlier this year to give the IEEE Awards a high priority for action within their Section. Several proposals were received and are under consideration. At this time, the TAP stands ready to advise and to assist, and has recently sent a second alert by e-mail to the relevant officers, asking them to begin the search.

At the recent IEEE Honors Ceremony in Montreal, Canada, Region 8 was partly successful, but we know that there are some outstanding candidates in the Region who have not been nominated. We need your help to identify these individuals over the next few months, and we look forward to receiving your proposals.

Charles Turner (Chair TAP) October 2010