



# American Welding Society

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Idaho - Montana Section 185

## May Meeting

**When:** Thursday, May 15, 2008, 3:30 p.m.

**Where:** at the Skyline High School wind turbine, Skyline High School  
1767 Blue Sky Drive (off of Pancheri Drive) in Idaho Falls - Park in the student parking lot

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The INL Retired Employees Association (IREA) invites the members of the Idaho - Montana AWS section to join IREA members on May 15, 2008 to learn about wind energy.

This is your chance to learn about a renewable energy source – wind energy. Idaho National Laboratory's (INL) Biofuels and Renewable Energy Technologies Department wind energy research group is providing IREA and AWS members with a unique opportunity to learn about wind energy and visit the wind turbine at Skyline High School in Idaho Falls. This wind turbine is a collaborative effort with INL, Idaho Falls District 91, Wheeler Electric, and Idaho Falls Power. We will start the meeting outside at Skyline's Wind turbine and then move indoors for presentations on wind energy processes facilitated by INL's Gary Seifert and Kurt Myers as well as wind turbine installation, educational use, and research data presented by Skyline teachers and students. Presenters will provide us with information on the following topics:

- Skyline wind turbine installation process and distribution of power
- Wind and renewable energy curriculum development, use, and research efforts
- Potential of wind energy to provide power for region and nation
- Wind energy fundamentals and integration into a power grid
- Wind energy pros and cons
- Potential of wind energy to solve nation's power needs
- Cost benefit of wind energy compared to other energy sources
- How INL, Skyline, and others are working to deploy wind energy and educate others
- Q&A session.

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