# CHRIS MCMANES

Chris McManes is in his ninth year with IEEE-USA and was promoted to public relations manager in November 2007. He is the organization's principal media contact, helps to formulate its government relations strategy and often serves as IEEE-USA's spokesman. He has made multiple presentations to IEEE members on the benefits of media relations and strong communications skills.

McManes (Mick-MAYNZ) came to IEEE-USA after working as sports information director at Catholic University in Washington, D.C. He promoted the men's basketball team when it won the 2001 NCAA Division III national championship and serves as an occasional color analyst on University of Vermont basketball radio broadcasts.

McManes, a regular contributor to Pro Bull Rider magazine, graduated from the University of Maryland in 1982 with a degree in kinesiological sciences. He later studied journalism at the University of North Carolina. He has conducted exclusive interviews with a wide variety of people, including actor Craig T. Nelson, Miami Dolphins quarterback Chad Pennington and former NBA great Michael Jordan.

A native of Washington, D.C., McManes is a member of the parish council at St. Jerome's Catholic Church in Hyattsville, Md. He and his wife, Cindy, live in Hyattsville with their daughters Kasey (6-2-99) and Ally (7-10-02), and son Tyler (8-5-04).