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President's Corner

Happy November ITEAmates!
 And CONGRATULATIONS to you for making the George Washington Chapter a "SUPERIOR" Chapter award winner for the 5th consecutive year! In order to win the Superior Chapter Award we had to fulfill a number of requirements, including holding a local or national T&E fund raiser activity, submitting articles for publication in the ITEA Journal, recruiting new corporate sponsors, growing our membership, among many others. We currently have over 400 members in the GW Chapter. You help the chapter to achieve all of these accomplishments when you participate in our luncheons and special

events, when you author articles, and when you volunteer.

Right now we are beginning the planning for a Spring T&E event and we need your participation and support. The better the event, the more money we have to support our college scholarship program, and the stronger our chapter becomes. Volunteering takes a minimal amount of time, but the rewards are immeasurable. Let any officer know of your interest in helping.

Our November luncheon is on the 16th at the Army Navy Country Club in Arlington. Our guest speaker will be Mr Walt Hollis from the Army. Please join us for another great luncheon... and bring a guest!

Also mark your calendar as our first speaker of 2007 is BG C.R. Davis, USAF, the PEO of the Joint Strike Fighter program. These luncheons are sure to sell out, so register early.

- Cathy Cordova, President



ITEA Awards Committee Chair Jim Tedeschi presents 2006 Superior Chapter Award to chapter vice-president Chas McKee

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October Luncheon

At its October 19th luncheon at the Army Navy Country Club in Arlington, VA, the George Washington Chapter heard Mr. Robert D. Aaron of the Army Test and Evaluation Command present "Net-Ready Key Performance Parameter (NR KPP) Implementation for Testers and Evaluators."



Mr. Aaron said the Net-Ready Key Performance Parameter (KPP) now required by Defense directives replaces the previous Interoperability KPP. It's a fix to improve interoperability of DOD and service systems that begins with the initial phases of acquisition and is monitored throughout the acquisition process. Basically, each new system in development must be able to plug into the Global Information Grid (GIG). By the time systems reach the operational test readiness review (OTRR), they must be NR KPP compliant.

He went on to say that although all of the needed standards are not yet available to implement the Net-Ready KPP, systems must be compliant with the ones that do exist. There are four pillars in the process. They are Integrated Architecture, Key Interface Profiles, Net-Centric Warfare Reference Model, and Information Assurance. He described each of the pillars

and how they are interdependent. He also noted that an automated data-centric environment is needed for both development and testing but is not yet available. He said that most of the guidance is in the form of technical checklists and is addressed in development testing but operational assessments are also required. In a Q&A session he gave his opinion that the Net-Ready KPP concept is good but development and testing tools are incomplete.



Afterward chapter president Cathy Cordova presented Bob Aaron an ITEA clock as a memento.

New Members

We welcome ten new members joining in October.

- Jackie Desrosiers of Integral Systems, Inc.
- Thomas Treakle of SAIC
- Hollis Bauer of Lockheed Martin Corp
- Alan Davis of US Army T & E Command
- Ronald Rolph of Idaho National Engineering & Environmental Lab
- Michael Roberts of DTRA-NTD
- George Root of Stanley Associates
- LTC Glenn Tiongson of US Army T&E Command
- Brian Womble of Lockheed Martin Corp
- Michael Leite of SAIC

The Membership Committee reminds you that if you bring a guest to a luncheon and he or she joins ITEA at that luncheon, both of you receive a free luncheon later.

Chapter Website

Check out our chapter website. Upcoming events are shown, all officers and committee chairs are listed, chapter corporate sponsors are described, newsletters are archived, and minutes of business meetings are published.

<http://gw-itea.org>

Also, you can reserve and pay for this month's luncheon online through PayPal using their Visa or MasterCard.

LOOKING AHEAD

Nov 16 – Luncheon
Walt Hollis, Prior Army T&E Exec
Dec 6 – Happy Hour Social
at Clydes on Beaumont Blvd
Jan 4 – Business Meeting
Jan 18 – Luncheon
BG Davis, PM Joint Strike Fighter
For business meeting locations:
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ITEA President Bob Fuller presents the 2006 Cross Award for Excellence in T&E Education to a member of our chapter, Larry Leiby of the Army T&E Management Agency



Chapter member Chas McKee chairs a technical session on "Homeland Security and Homeland Defense Systems at the ITEA 2006 Symposium

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New Chapter Luncheon Coordinator Dennis Cappel of Northrop Grumman checks Cathy Cordova in at the entrance at the October luncheon

NEXT CHAPTER EVENT

November Luncheon

Thursday, November 16th, 11:30 AM, Army-Navy Country Club

Guest Speaker: Mr Walter W. Hollis
former Army T&E Executive

Topic: "The Future of Army Operational Analysis"

Cost \$20

Reserve by Tuesday, Nov 14th at

the website: <http://gw-itea.org/information/luncheons.cfm>

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