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President's Corner

Happy May, ITEA! WE NEED YOUR HELP with the October 2007 Open Forum: "Test and Training Investments." This Forum will be a two-day conference on October 3-4. We specifically need Committee Chairs including: Logistics, Publicity, and Registration. We are also seeking your great ideas for speakers and panels. Mr Jim Sebolka is our Chapter Special Events Chair and, with Mr Lou Husser as the Technical Chair, is heading up this event which will be held at the Northrop Grumman Fair Lakes site. Contact Jim or any officer for information or to help out.

I also want to announce an adjustment to our luncheon compensation policy. As of this

season of sponsorship, our corporate sponsorship season, sponsors are no longer directly receiving free luncheon comps. Instead, we will be using dedicated luncheon "comps" as a tool: (1) to target and recruit new members (inviting other local testers to discover all of the benefits of joining and participating in ITEA), as well as (2) to enhance the networking opportunities of our current members. (enticing higher level industry and government representatives from key agencies and companies to join us for networking opportunities). If you have someone that you would like to invite to receive a luncheon comp, please make the recommendation to any officer (with the person's contact information).

Our final speaker luncheon of the

2006-2007 season is on May 17th at the Army Navy Country Club in Arlington. Please join us for another great luncheon and bring a guest! Remember that anyone who joins ITEA at one of our luncheons gets a free future luncheon.

- Cathy Cordova, President



April Luncheon

At its monthly luncheon on April 19th, the George Washington Chapter heard Mr. Richard L. "Rick" Lockhart, Principal Deputy Director, Defense Test Resource Management Center, discuss the "Joint Mission Environment Test Capabilitv



After describing the Defense Test Resource Management Center briefly, Mr Lockhart said the newest element on its organization chart is JMETC. It is to address the problem of multiple service-specific networks and standards for a joint environment for training and testing. It will end costly duplication, aid distributed test events, and ease integration of testing and training. The JMETC links distributed facilities with a core, reconfigurable infrastructure that provides customer services such as expertise.

Lockhart went on to show an example land, air, and sea event with an array of prototypes, hardware-in-the-look simulations, facilities, ranges, and models, all tied together online by communications links.

He said JMETC will provide connectivity, middleware, standard definitions and algorithms, distributed test support, data management solutions, and a reuse repository, while its customers define requirements, provide test assets and resources, request and fund JMETC support, and define any unique needs. He pointed out that industry is involved, including membership in the architecture management team and access for contractor testing.

Lockhart said there is oversight by a Senior Advisory Group, support by an advisory group, and participation by a User Group. He said there is also collaboration with the Joint Forces Command in test and training exercises.

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April Luncheon (Continued)

Lockhart told of current 07 activities, which include the planned Integral Fire 07 event and the Inter TEC event in August. They are Army-Navy-Air Force exercises tying together the services' sites around the nation to make possible testing in a joint environment, interoperability assessment, testing-training combination, and time and cost reductions.

In a brisk Q&A session, Lockhart said policy already requires services to test joint and for "net ready" issues with oversight by the Defense Director of Operational T&E, and that JMETF is intended to result in permanent nodes.

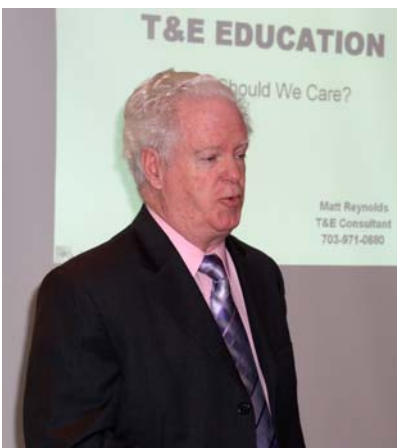


After the talk, chapter vice president Chas McKee presented Rick Lockhart with a spherical world globe jigsaw puzzle as a memento.

Corporate Breakfast

The Chapter held its annual Corporate Breakfast on April 17th at the Army Navy Country Club to honor our corporate sponsors and to present scholarship grants to local universities for students pursuing studies that lead to a career in T&E.

After eating, attendees heard Matthew Reynolds, former ITEA president and holder of the Cross Award for excellence in T&E education, tell why education is significant to our field.



Reynolds addresses breakfast

Reynolds pointed out that Defense T&E is a relatively new discipline, having begun within the memory of some current practitioners, and that any new discipline relies heavily on education to establish its standards

Representatives of each of the chapter corporate sponsors presented their annual donations to chapter president Cathy Cordova.



Chas McKee presents annual SAIC donor check to Cathy Cordova.

All of our sponsors except one had representatives at the breakfast and Corporate Committee chair Todd Stevenson gave each of them an ITEA clock as a memento of the occasion.

Our current chapter corporate members are:

- [Advanced Systems Development](#)
- [Applied Resources, Inc](#)
- [Electronic Warfare Associates Inc](#)
- [Enlighteering Inc](#)
- [L3 Communications – SY Coleman](#)
- [Sparta Inc](#)
- [Science Applications Int'l Corp](#)

Continuing a long standing tradition of these breakfasts, scholarship checks largely made possible by the sponsors were granted to local schools.



Receiving \$2,000 scholarship checks were George Mason University computer engineering student Ahmed Ferozpuri, George Washington engineering student Tewodros Mengesha, and University of Virginia engineering professor Bob Lindner.

Golf Tournament

The Chapter held its first Annual (hopefully) Golf Tournament May 6th at the Fort Belvoir golf course. The 26 registrants formed 7 teams. and played 18 holes during a sunny breezy afternoon.

Two of the holes were sponsored by chapter corporate members SAIC and EWA, adding \$1,000 to our scholarship fund for next year.

At the end of play cash prizes were awarded for first and second place teams and for individual longest drive, straightest drive, and closest to pin (won by Chas McKee).



LONGEST DRIVE prize winner Bob Berger



FIRST PLACE TEAM. Susan Laver putting on the 18th hole, with teammates Mike Armstrong, Bob Berger, and Mike Williams who went on to post the winning score of 11 under par.



STRAIGHTEST DRIVE Prize Winner John Ferguson with teammate Gordon Tillery



SECOND PLACE TEAM scoring 5 under par: Fred Myers, Eddie Burroughs, Rick Vinas, and Chris Paust

The third place team (also scoring 5 under par but losing the tie breaker) was Matt McGuire, Chas McKee, Gary Bridgewater, and Ron Scotka



Mike Williams drives as teammates Mike O'Brien, Lee Harvey, and Roger Facklam look on



Eileen Redd putts as Skip Buchanan and Frank Blake offer encouragement

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LOOKING AHEAD

May 17 – Luncheon

June 6 – Chapter Business Meeting

June 21 – 3rd Annual Chapter BBQ

For business meeting

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