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President's Corner

Happy October, DC Testers. First and foremost, I want to give my utmost thanks and appreciation to our awesome Special Events team. Led by Jim Sebolka and Lou Husser with extensive assistance from Chas McKee, Mike Wetzl, Dave Grow, and

and Suzanne Tractman, the ITEA GW Chapter put on a very impressive Test and Training Forum. If you missed it, please be sure to watch your ITEA Journal for the white paper which will be published and distributed. And make plans to participate in our next Forum! Your participation is key to the success of our chapter. So come to our next luncheon, volunteer for a committee, help out on any of our events and get to know your local Test and Evaluation community. We have vacancies in our Education and Membership committee chairs, and would love to have your help. Volunteering is easy and takes a small amount of time each month, but the rewards – from seeing a local college student accept a scholarship check to connecting an individual

with a new job – are immense. Note that we are moving our next luncheon to Thursday, November 8th, in order to accommodate Mr George Ryan, Director of T&E for the Department of Homeland Security, as our guest speaker. Hope to see you there! - President Cathy Cordova



Jim Sebolka and Lou Husser



Test and Training Forum

The George Washington Chapter conducted **An Open Forum on Test and Training 2020: From Stovepipes to Collaborative Enterprises**. October 3rd and 4th, hosted by Northrop Grumman at its conference center in Fair Lakes.



Dr Paul Mayberry, Deputy Under Secretary of Defense, Readiness

At the end Dr John Wiles led an all hands wrap-up of what could be agreed. Forum results are published in a white paper delivered to senior officials and published in the ITEA Journal.



Mr Chris DiPetto, Deputy Director for DT&E

Over 75 participants heard Dr Mayberry, Dr Foulkes and Mr DiPetto challenge them to develop an approach to achieve testing and training collaboration. Six panels addressed the current situation, relevant technology, lessons learned, and future needs from both government and industry viewpoints.



Dr John Foulkes, Director, Test Resource Management Center



Panel 1: **Today's Approaches.** George Axiotis, Frank DiGiovanni, Donald Timian, Derrick Hinton, Dave Hanz, and John Smith



Panel 2: **Technology – Industry.** Christopher Jehn, Chas McKee, Greg Kreadle, James Sandberg, and Gary Washam



Panel 3: **Technology: Government.** Dave Grow, Jeffrey Riemer, Mike McGinnis, Gerry Christenson, and Scott Wood



Panel 4: **Lessons Learned.** Panelists: Skip Buchanan, Joseph Heineman, and John Walsh



Panel 4: **Lessons Learned Co-Chairs** John Bolino and Michael Parmentier show how they are "in the soup"



Panel 5: **Future Needs.** William McCarthy, Dave Lockhart, Greg Knapp, Bo Tye, and Chip Ferguson





Wrap-Up: Dr John Wiles leads the closing discussion to summarize forum results

Panel 6: **Current Policy and Future Directions.** Frank DiGiovanni, Mike Crisp, Robert Arnold, Jim Sebolka, Darlene Mosser-Kerner, Stan Bloyer, and Phyllis Ferguson

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You can reserve luncheon slots on line, and even pay with PayPal.

Check it out at

<http://www.gw-itea.org>

LOOKING AHEAD

Nov 7 – Chapter business meeting

Nov 8 – LUNCHEON

Mr George Ryan, DHS

Dec 5 – Chapter Social

Jan 2- Chapter business meeting

Jan 17 – Luncheon

For time and location of business meetings, contact Cathy Cordova at catherine.cordova@mda.mil

New Members

Joining during September are:

- Janice Buxbaum, Enterprise Eng'ring
- Adam Cooper, Booz Allen Hamilton
- Carl Corbo, Mitre Corporation
- Tyler Longworth, Survice Eng'ring
- Adam Martin, Survice Eng'ring
- Loi Nguyen, Mitre Corporation
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- Wayne Taylor, Telesis
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NEXT LUNCHEON MEETING

Thursday, November 8th, 11:30 AM

Army-Navy Country Club, 2400 18th Street South, Arlington, VA 22204

**Guest Speaker: Mr George Ryan, Director of T&E,
Department of Homeland Security**

**Topic: "Department of Homeland Security Science
And Technology Test and Evaluation"**

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