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President's Corner

Many members of our chapter participated in the 2008 ITEA annual symposium November 10th-13th at the Atlantic City Convention Center. Some gave keynote addresses and technical presentations, some served on the symposium committee, and one continued the long standing tradition that at least one member of our chapter wins an ITEA professional award every year since the awards program was established in 1989. Our chapter nominated one of our members, Dr McQueary, who won ITEA's most prestigious prize the Matthews Award for distinguished contribution to T&E. Also, I am happy to report that our chapter again won the annual Superior Chapter distinction.



Chas McKee, President

Don't miss this month's luncheon at the Army navy Country Club on November 19th. Colonel Dave Reeves, Director of the US Marine Corps Operational Test and Evaluation Activity will bring us up to date on Marine Corps OT&E. He will also present the Chapter's Dr. Robert S Bell scholarship to a deserving student in a field of study possibly leading to a career in T&E

In December we will change from our usual third Thursday luncheon format to a December 19th afternoon tour of the Defense Information Systems Agency's test laboratory led by T&E Director, Dr Steven Hutchison. After the tour we'll convene in a nearby watering hole to continue our annual December Social tradition. More details later. - Charles "Chas" McKee

Chapter Website

On our chapter website you can see chapter information and reserve and pay for meetings and events online by PayPal.

Check it out at: <http://www.gw-itea.org>

New Members

Joining our chapter during October were:

- Mr Raymond Berry, Northrup Grumman
- Mr Douglas Hunter, Round Table Defense
- COL Sam Kyle, HQ USAF
- Mr Westley Moore, Science Research Corp
- Mr Thomas O'Keefe, OPNAV N912
- Mr Edwin Rahme, US Navy
- Mr Nathan Tabbert, Round Table Defense

The membership committee reminds you that if you bring someone to a luncheon meeting and he or she joins ITEA there, both of you will receive a future luncheon free.

NEXT MONTHLY MEETING

Luncheon, Thursday, November 20th, Social at 11:30 AM, Dinner at noon
Army-Navy Country Club, 2400 18th Street South, Arlington, VA 22204

Guest Speaker:

Colonel David L. Reeves, USMC
Director, US Marine Corps Operational Test and Evaluation Activity

Topic:

"Marine Corps Operational Testing and Evaluation"
COL Reeves will also present the Chapter's 2008 Bell Scholarship to a student

Cost:

\$15 if you reserve by Tuesday, Nov 18th and pay by PayPal
at <http://www.gw-itea.org/information/luncheons.cfm>

or

\$20 if you reserve by email at iteagw@yahoo.com and pay at the door

October Luncheon

At its October 15th luncheon at the Army Navy Country Club, the George Washington Chapter heard Mr. John V Bolino, Director of Operational Test and Evaluation Liaison Officer to the Joint Forces Command (JFCOM) discuss "What's new at JFCOM?" He described the JFCOM headquarters as having a mission to meet both present and future operational needs, headed by a four-star officer, with about a quarter military, a quarter government civilian, and half contractor personnel, and overseeing about a million warriors in the three services



John Bolino addresses the chapter

He went on to tell of subordinate commands of interest of T&E. The Transformation element has challenges of compatibility with coalition forces and on-military agencies in planning acquisition. It is aided by an interoperability cyber range that can link widely distributed test and training facilities electronically. The Training element conducted 71 exercises last year, some of which included gathering T&E data. He also described other elements with labs, facilities, and capabilities related to T&E.

Bolino pointed out that JFCOM has a manual that tells how to insert a test into a training event, a Joint Knowledge Online website, and an Office of Research and Training Applications that assists cooperative efforts.

Also, he said that JFCOM's J8 has set up a specific T&E Office to further aid integrated testing and training.

After an informative Q&A session, chapter president Chas McKee presented John Bolino a memento of the occasion.



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Chapter president Chas McKee accepts 2008 Superior Chapter Award at the ITEA Symposium on Atlantic City



Chapter member Dr Charles McQueary is presented the 2008 Matthews Award by ITEA president John Smith

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Chapter members Bill McCarthy and Mark Rieland at the 2008 ITEA Symposium



Chapter members Dave Grimm (far left) and Matt Reynolds (far right)



GWC members Todd Stevenson and Chas McKee

LOOKING AHEAD

Nov 20 - Luncheon, COL Reeves
 Dec 19 - DISA Lab Tour & Winter Social
 Jan 8 - Business meeting
 Jan 22 - Luncheon
 Feb 5 - Business meeting
 Feb 20 - Luncheon

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