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The Palmetto Roost Chapter of the AOC

The Electronic Warfare & Information Operations Association

2011 Newsletter

Dear Palmetto Roost Member:

For the second year in a row, the Palmetto Roost was recognized by the National AOC as Chapter of the Year; moving into the Medium-sized category with over 100 registered members. In addition, our own Director, Col Chris Glaze, USAF (ret) received the *Col Anton D. Brees Life Achievement Award!*

Our 2nd Annual Conference: *Converging Cyber, Information Operations and Electronic Warfare*, was another huge success, with Executive Director Christopher Miller kicking off the conference, and Commanding Officer CAPT Mark Glover introducing the SPAWAR session. Austin Branch, Senior Advisor for IO Strategy & Plans, OUSD(P), Rosemary Wenchel, Director for Cyber, IO & Strategic Studies OUSD(I), and RDML Margaret "Peg" Klein, Chief of Staff, U.S. Cyber Command, were key-note speakers in addition to a number of other high-level officials from various government agencies. Building on the achievements of our last two conferences, we have already begun preparation for our 3rd Annual Conference: *EW, IO and Cyber Capabilities for Air, Sea Battlespace Operations*. However, to avoid scheduling conflicts with the Charleston Defense Contractors Association (CDCA) C⁵ISR Conference, we have moved ours from the last week of November to June 5th – 7th.

One of our more important endeavors is our Chapter Scholarship Program, where profits from our conferences are directed. Last year, our Education Committee Chair, James LaRue, PhD, presented two \$1000 scholarships to Mr. Jerry Feagin & Mr. William Harney, Jr. for their scholastic attainment and goals for the future matching the AOC vision.

The Palmetto Roost meets the 4th Thursday of every month. Over the past calendar year, we've had a number of guest speakers including: CAPT Al Kolpacke, USN (ret) on *Electronic Warfare Integrated Mission Planning, Analysis and Coordination Tool (EW IMPACT)*; Mr. Pieter Seidel, Tektronix, Inc. on *Digital RF Solutions*; Mr. Jason Campbell, Curriculum Coordinator, SRC on *Integration of Instructional Technologies*; Col Robin Vanderberry, USAF, Director of Joint Electromagnetic Preparedness for Advanced Combat (JEPAC), subject CLASSIFIED; and Mr. Waleed Barnawi on *a Novel Characterization of Distributed Sensor Networks within the DoD*.

We continue to encourage you, your organization, and your employees to attend our monthly meetings. AOC membership, whether individual or industry, can ensure your company's visibility before a targeted audience and enhance your corporate image, while establishing a more knowledgeable staff that are better able to meet the needs of your customers. Detailed information regarding meetings, industry partners, and membership can be found on our website: <http://www.palmettoroost.org/>.

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