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## The Palmetto Roost Chapter of the AOC

The Electronic Warfare & Information Operations Association

### 2014 Year-In-Review

Dear Palmetto Roost Members:

For the fifth year in a row, the Palmetto Roost was recognized by the AOC as Chapter of the Year in the Medium-sized category with over 100 registered members. Last year we hosted what we hope to be the first of many Cyber/EW Education Courses. In the first session Mr. Joe Luker, SPAWAR ISR Technical Warrant Holder, presented an 8-hour Cyber Tools Development Course providing an introduction to developing tools used in the exploitation of computers based on Intel's x86 architecture.

Over the past calendar year, we've had a number of guest speakers including: Mr. Joe Luker, MAJ Robert Gresham, SCARNG, on South Carolina National Guard Cyber Team Concept; Mr. Pat Keaveney, President, Navy League Charleston Council; Mr. David Giametta on Malware analysis, cyber security and automated analysis algorithms; Mr. Chris Whitely, xG Advisory Board Chairman, on cognitive radio networks, Jim Taber, Marketing Director for X-COM Systems on I/Q Signal Recording; and Frank Makal, Kellis Garrett, and Dean Streck on EW and RF Topics around MIMO for position triangulation, passive phased array, and rapid RF system prototyping.

We hosted our 5<sup>th</sup> Annual CLASSIFIED Electronic Warfare/Cyber Convergence Conference in June at the Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command (SPAWAR) Systems Center Atlantic's Cooper River Landing Conference Center. Congressional Medal of Honor Recipient, Major General James E. Livingston, USMC (Ret.), welcomed the 150+ military members, government employees and contractors in attendance. The theme was designed to take the convergence discussion right down to the operational level; focusing on how technology will drive integration across target sets common to Electronic Warfare (EW) and Cyber Warfare, and the significant implications as to how our Warfighters must engage in the cyber environment of today and tomorrow.

The master of ceremonies was Colonel Robert A. "RAM" Morris, USAF (Ret.), former Director and Chief of Staff for AFCYBER, facilitated sessions that categorized the operational concepts of combining EW capabilities with cyber warfare tactics and enabling the rapid deployment of new and improved capabilities. Keynote speakers included Lieutenant General Davis, USMC, Deputy Commander, USCYBERCOM; Ms. Rosemary Wenchel, SES, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Strategy & Policy/Cybersecurity Coordination National Protection and Programs Directorate, Department of Homeland Security; Colonel Bryant Glando, Chief J3 FUOPS, Regional and Inter-Agency Division, USCYBERCOM; and Mr. Robert J. Giesler, Special Advisor, Irregular Warfare, Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Lab. AOC President, Lieutenant Colonel Wayne Shaw III, USAF (Ret.), wrapped up the conference on 24th Air Force (AFCYBER) topics.

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. The Palmetto Roost meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every month. Detailed information regarding meetings, industry partners, and membership can be found on our website: <http://www.palmettoroost.org/>.

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