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AFC Change of Command Complete 2006 Officers Take Command



Kim Williams presiding over the swearing in ceremony for the new AFC leadership team on April 9th in Dallas.

Thirty-four AFC members, ISPI Board members, and guests gathered in Dallas for the annual Chapter business meeting and Change of Command ceremony. Although the bulk of the agenda was devoted to Chapter business reports and the Change of Command ceremony, AFC set aside some time to honor the service of our members.

Sandra Ogden was honored for her service to the Chapter as Secretary-Treasurer. Arthur Klauss was honored for his service as webmaster and webinar coordinator. Kim Williams was honored for her leadership of the Chapter.



Roger Chevalier honoring Kim Williams.

Announcing New Special Interest Group Vice Presidents

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AFC Members are Winners!



Winners of the free book drawing proudly display their prizes in front of the the Armed Forces Chapter Banner.



President's Corner

As your newly inaugurated AFC President, I'm still pulling together our agenda for the coming year. However, I'm going to outline my initial thoughts below as a way to invite comments, constructive criticism, and suggestions from the members.



Aaron U. Bolin

My guiding thought as Armed Forces Chapter President for the next year will be to continue our tradition of providing affordable membership with maximum value returned to our members. With that goal in mind, I'd like to avoid raising our membership fees. At the same time, I'd like to return more value to our members.

Outlined Presidential Agenda for 2006:

1. Document the turnover process to develop SOP. I'd like to have the process down to a routine by the time April 2007 rolls around.
2. Budget. At current membership levels, we can expect to collect roughly \$1800 in revenue this year. I think we have an obligation to spend that money (wisely) on behalf of the chapter; AFC is not designed as a savings account. At the same time, \$1800 really isn't very much money. We'll need to work on creative ways to grow our revenues as long as doing so creates additional value for our members.
3. Continue offering education opportunities. We will continue our AFC webinar series and also pursue other relevant opportunities for our members.
4. Communication strategy. We've developed some excellent communication tools over the last 18-months. I'd like to see our communication strategy continue to improve and develop.
5. Member relations and database upgrades. I would like to know more about our members and use this information to do more for them.
6. Organizational partnerships and memberships. I'd like to see AFC develop additional partnerships with other organizations for the benefit of our members.

7. Conference presence. In many ways, conferences are the lifeblood of AFC. I'd like to continue building up the AFC presence at community relevant conferences.

8. Leadership / Bylaws structure. Our bylaws and organizational structure were inherited from the first-generation AFC. I think we should carefully consider whether the current structure is optimum for maintaining the AFC in the long-term.

Secretary-Treasurer's Report

In order to improve the ease with which business transactions could be made and to simplify the officer turnover process, the AFC account was transferred to **Wachovia**, a banking chain with a national presence, in FY05.



LT Chris Foster

As of 3 June 2006 the AFC Wachovia account balance is \$3870.29 US.

As a non-profit organization, AFC is not in the business of making money. Its only source of income is member dues, which are used exclusively for administrative purposes (e.g., Website hosting, domain name, shipping costs, etc.), marketing / recruitment purposes (e.g., brochures, reusable posters, etc.), and member services (e.g., webinars, sponsored networking opportunities, etc.).

Member dues remain very affordable at \$10 USD per year. A large batch of renewal notices went out the week of May 29. We hope that those receiving renewal notices will renew their membership to continue supporting the mission of the AFC.

We are in the process of developing a position description for the SIG-VPs. We have talked with a number of incumbent SIG-VPs to better understand what they see as their key responsibilities, how much time they spend on these responsibilities and their general impressions on what has gone well and what could be improved upon. This information will be used to form the development of the SIG-VP position description and provide the basis for improving chapter operations.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lt Chris Foster
Secretary/Treasurer Armed Forces Chapter-ISPI



Committee Updates

As president-elect of AFC, I am responsible for a lot of behind-the-scenes tasks that help make the chapter flourish. Chief among these responsibilities is coordinating and collaborating with committee volunteers. As a volunteer organization, the AFC will live or die based on the energy and commitment of its members. We always need more people to get involved. If you would be willing to help, please let me know.

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PS1 Jim Craumer

Conference Presence Committee

Organize chapter events at relevant conferences

Overall Chair: Jim Craumer

- ISPI Fall Conference – Chair: Jim Craumer
- ISPI Spring Conference – Chair: Vacant
- ASTD – Chair: Vacant
- I/ITSEC social hour – Chair: Megan Reasor
- USCG Conference – Chair: Jim Craumer

Website Committee

Update and maintain the chapter website

Chair: Tim Chase, Tim.D.Chase@uscg.mil

Chapter Partnership Committee

Build relationships with other chapters and ISPI

Chair: Aaron U. Bolin, aaron.bolin@navy.mil

- GO-ISPI – Liaison: Kim Williams
- San Diego ISPI – Liaison: Carl Czech
- Chicago ISPI – Liaison: Dick Cole
- ISPI Europe – Liaison: Aaron Bolin

Communication and Marketing Committee

Chair: Vacant

Welcome to New Members! 187 Members and Growing!

Daniel Walker, USAF, Gilbert, AZ
Russell Davidson, USCG, Sonoma, CA
David Sandahl, USCG, Petaluma, CA
Tracy Rivera, USCG, Petaluma, CA
Amanda Ramassini, USCG, Fort Meade, MD
Johannes Sauerteig, Canadian Forces, Ont.
Mark Pearson, USCG, Gloucester, VA
Michelle Criste, USCG, Petaluma, CA
Roland Isnor, USCG Civ, Yorktown, VA
Michael Babischkin, USCG, Petaluma, CA
Jeff Loube, Industry, Almonte, Ontario
Jay Allen, USCG, Washington, D.C.
Flack Maguire, USN Civ, Encinitas, CA
Tim Chase, USCG Civ, Petaluma, CA
Eric West, USMC
Rob Ryan, USA Civ, Moorpark, CA
James Brown, USCG Civ, Petaluma, CA
Catherine Nauta, USCG, Petaluma, CA



Thank You For Serving

On behalf of the Executive Committee and the entire membership, we wish to thank Dr. Frankie Jeffery for her unselfishness devotion of her time and efforts to filling the office the Navy SIG-VP. Due to job responsibilities Frankie must step down from this position, her work and dedication will be greatly missed. Frankie we wish you well and hope to hear from you in the future.

Help Wanted

Attention all **Navy** members the position of **SIG-VP** has become vacant. This position is key to keeping the members of your branch updated. With membership of over 70 Navy members it is crucial to have this position filled. If interested or for more information contact anyone of the executive board, Aaron Bolin, Jim Craumer or Chris Foster. Hurry the **AFC** needs you.



Armed Forces Chapter Calendar: A Year in Preview

Dates		For More Information
April 2006		
6-11	AFC annual business meeting at the Spring ISPI conference in Dallas, TX	Visit the AFC website for photos and meeting minutes: www.afc-ispi.org
May 2006		
7-10	ASTD International Conference and Exposition in Dallas, TX	Visit the conference website: http://astd2006.astd.org/
30	Deadline for proposal submissions to ISPI Europe Conference	Visit the conference link at the ISPI homepage: www.ispi.org
June 2006		
12-13	Bi-monthly AFC Newsletter Learning Strategies Conference in Orlando, FL	http://www.lscconsortium.com
22 1700 EST	AFC Professional Development Webinar Series Presenter: Jim Hill, CPT, Ed.D., Proofpoint Systems Topic: Readiness review: Is your organization ready for improvement?	Visit the AFC website: www.afc-ispi.org Contact information TBD
July 2006		
31	Workshop Deadline for ISPI Spring Conference	Visit the conference link at the ISPI homepage: www.ispi.org
August 2006		
3	Bi-monthly AFC Newsletter AFC Professional Development Webinar Series Presenter: Roger Addison, CPT, Ed.D, ISPI	
31	Speaker Proposal Deadline for ISPI Spring Conference	Visit the conference link at the ISPI homepage: www.ispi.org
September 2006		
1	<i>Performance Improvement</i> Special Issue on All Matters Military Deadline for Submissions	Contact Aaron Bolin (901-874-2961) or Chris Foster (361-961-1680)
6-8	U.S. Coast Guard Human Performance Technology Workshop in Williamsburg, VA	Visit the conference website at: http://learning.uscg.mil/hpt/#
14-16	ISPI Instructional Systems Fall Symposium in Anaheim, CA	Visit the conference link at the ISPI homepage: www.ispi.org
October 2006		
12-14	Bi-monthly AFC Newsletter ISPI Europe Conference in Prague, Czech Republic	Visit the conference link at the ISPI homepage: www.ispi.org
November 2006		
December 2006		
4-7	Bi-monthly AFC Newsletter Interservice Industry Training Simulation and Education Conference (I/ITSEC) in Orlando, FL	Visit the conference website: http://www.iitsec.org/
January 2007		
TBD	AFC Professional Development Webinar Series Presenter: TBD	
February 2007		
March 2007		
April 2007		
April 29 – May 3 Actual day TBD	Bi-monthly AFC Newsletter AFC annual business meeting at the Spring ISPI conference in Dallas, TX	Visit the AFC website: www.afc-ispi.org
April 29 – May 3	ISPI Spring conference in San Francisco, CA	Visit the conference link at the ISPI homepage: www.ispi.org



