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Dear AFCEANs,

Immediately after our annual SHAPE event and the associated Professional Development Europe (PDE) course I attended the AFCEA business meetings in Virginia Beach. As most of you will be aware, TechNet International, previously held each year at the Washington Convention Centre was to be replaced by 'Solutions', to be held in Crystal City. With inadequate take-up it was decided to postpone 'Solutions' and focus the business meetings in Virginia Beach as part of TechNet Transformation. It is now assessed as 'highly unlikely' to run such an event in DC and the future of TechNet Transformation has been strengthened by a formal link with the US Naval Institute, in the same manner as the annual 'West' event in San Diego.

The most significant piece of news, which I promulgated separately on the day it was announced, was the appointment of Mr Kent Schneider, currently Vice President Business Development, Northrop Grumman Corporation (IT Sector), as the new President and CEO of AFCEA with effect from 1 August. Mr Schneider has been a major force within AFCEA as the Chairman of the Strategic Development Committee and a member of the Budget and Finance Committee. He has given generously of time and financial donations over the years so his appointment will be welcomed by all as someone who knows AFCEA well and has its best interests at heart.

The RVP meeting, though diminished in numbers, was as lively as ever. Chapters are being challenged by the effects of the US DOD Base Realignment and Consolidation (BRAC) programme with winners and losers among the various Chapters. Operational tempos and deployments are also affecting Chapter attendance but, as ever, the strength of the Chapter Presidents and their teams remain the most important element in a Chapter's success. Discussion turned to AFCEA in cyberspace and we learnt that there are some initiatives already being worked within AFCEA HQ to make sure that as a leading IT Association we are not left behind as other newer Associations spring up.

This might be a good opportunity to remind readers that if for any reason your *SIGNAL* magazine is delayed (and the UK is about to have series of postal strikes) you can always read the digital edition within three days of the first of each month - the link is <http://www.afcea.org/signal/digital.asp>

The Executive Committee and Board of Directors authorised and approved two new chapters in Tallinn and Kabul as well as the list of Directors for the next 12 months (see list below). There was, of course, no President's report but Steve Knell (Vice President for Finance) gave a reassuring picture of the fiscal health of the Association. AFCEA Europe is contributing usefully to this condition and thus seeing payback in the form of some funding for Chapter Initiatives as well as very generous, and separate, support from the Education Foundation. I am extremely grateful to Fred Rainbow and his team for such invaluable assistance.

Events are, of course, an essential component of income and, on this side of the Atlantic, TechNet Europe remains my top priority. I am therefore enormously grateful to the sponsors and companies who are already supporting us for TNE-07 which we are taking afloat for the first time aboard the 'SILJA SERENADE'. The details are at www.afceaurope.org and there is always space for more. Our website also has details of the ACT event we are administering in Warsaw on 26/27 September and, if you are planning even further ahead think about the PDE course I am running in Brussels on 22/23 November. Events for 2008 are well along the planning route and will also be appearing on our website shortly.

So now it only remains for me to suggest that you begin to focus on the holidays whilst those of us in England focus on baling out our houses from the disastrous weather of the past few days – summer is truly here!

Yours sincerely,

Robert Howell

Commodore, Royal Navy (rtd.),
General Manager, AFCEA Europe

NEW DIRECTORS

Congratulations to the recently elected or reelected members of the Executive Committee and AFCEA Board of Directors (for Europe). To those members of the Board who have left this year: many thanks for your support of, and commitment to, AFCEA over the years.

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EXCELLENCE IN A SCIENTIFIC PROJECT AWARD (AFCEA EUROPE)

We are delighted to announce that SSgt W. Quinn and Sgt D. Gunn of the Royal School of Signals, Defence College of CIS, Blandford Camp, Dorset are the winners of this year's award for AFCEA Europe Excellence in a Scientific Project with their project entitled "Voice over IP in a Deployable Headquarters". A short presentation on the subject will be made during TechNet Europe 2007. Congratulations!

CHAPTER EVENTS

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Happy Summer Holidays!

