

# AFCEA International 2018 Award Winners



*To be presented at DCOS 2018*

## **Chair's Superior Performance Award**

**Lt Gen Michael J. Basla, USAF (Ret)**  
CACI  
*Northern Virginia Chapter*

**Harri Larsson**  
Kinnander Teknik  
*Nordic Region*

**Sandi King**  
CISCO  
*North Carolina Chapter*

## **Distinguished Award for Excellence in Engineering**

**Jacqueline Janning-Lask**  
Agile Combat Support, AFLCMC/WNE

## **Meritorious Rising Star Award for Achievement in Engineering**

**Dr. Christopher Niessen**  
The MITRE Corporation

## **Distinguished Award for Excellence in Information Technology**

**Travis M. Harris**  
U.S. Marine Corps Forces Europe and Africa

## **Meritorious Rising Star Award for Achievement in Information Technology**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Lt Dillon Andrews, USAF**  
86<sup>th</sup> Communications Squadron

## **Exceptional Contribution to STEM Education Award**

**MSgt Shaun Herron, USAF**  
33<sup>rd</sup> Network Warfare Squadron

## **Technology Innovation Award**

**Joshua Lee**  
Defense Information Systems Agency Pacific

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## Small Business of the Year

**AbleVets**

## Small Business Person of the Year Award (Industry)

**Rebecca Andino**

Highlight Technologies

## Small Business Person of the Year Award (Government)

**Robin Rourk**

SPAWAR Systems Center Atlantic

## Small Business Advocate

**Clairese Jackson**

Alion Science and Technology

## Charlie Allen Award for Distinguished Intelligence Service

**Maureen Baginski**

## Meritorious Service to the Intelligence Community Award

**Charles Ham**

625<sup>th</sup> Operations Center, 25<sup>th</sup> Air Force

## Sparky Baird Award

**Adam B. Jonas**

U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command G-2/Threat Tec LLC

“How the Hashtag is Changing Warfare”, *SIGNAL* Magazine, July 2017

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## Admiral Jon L. Boyes Medal for Distinguished Service to AFCEA

**CMSgt Tom Gwaltney, USAF (Ret)**

*Mid-South Region*

## General James M. Rockwell AFCEAN of the Year

**Jane Hefner-Brightwell**

Walker & Associates, Inc.

*Carolinas Region*

## Leadership Award

**Adam Feingold**

Engility

*Los Angeles Chapter*

**Brig Gen Jeffrey Kendall, USAF (Ret)**

*Alamo Chapter*

**James E. Lee**

Information Technology Group, Inc.

*Hampton Roads Chapter*

**Jean McLeish**

Sopra Steria

*London Chapter*

**Lynn Moad**

LB Moad Consulting, LLC

*Dayton-Wright Chapter*

**Jim Muller**

DXC Technology

*Hawaii Chapter*

**Anthony Robbins**

NVIDIA Corporation

*Washington DC Chapter*

**Dr. Josef Strelec**

Czech Republic Intelligence Service

*Czech Chapter*

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## Medal of Merit

**Frank Arlotta**

RF Products Inc.  
*Philadelphia Chapter*

**Brad Barker**

Array Information Technology  
*Bethesda Chapter*

**LTC Daniel G. Braun, USA (Ret)**

*Pocono Mountains Chapter*

**Mark Christensen**

Crystal Clear Technologies, Inc.  
*Tampa-St. Petersburg Chapter*

**William S. Dunahoo, Jr.**

Praxis Engineering  
*Central Maryland Chapter*

**James Evans**

Iron Bow Technologies  
*Belvoir Chapter*

**Joy Hess**

Wakelight Technologies, Inc.  
*Hawaii Chapter*

**Brian Knott**

Array Information Technology  
*Montgomery Chapter*

**COL John E. McLaughlin, USA (Ret)**

*Tampa-St. Petersburg Chapter*

**Ronald Moore**

*Alamo Chapter*

**Jochaim Mörsdorf**

Conet Solutions GmbH  
*Bonn e.V. Chapter*

**Lt Col William Page III, USAF (Ret)**

Engility  
*Los Angeles Chapter*

**Palmer Sims**

Hampton Roads Chapter

**COL Kathy Swacina, USA (Ret)**

Chameleon Integrated Services  
*Atlanta Chapter*

**Col Robert Wright, USAF (Ref)**

Deloitte  
*Rocky Mountain Chapter*

**Marco Zompetti**

Air Force Life Cycle Management Center/HBS  
*Lexington-Concord Chapter*

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## Meritorious Service Award

**Linda Tanzo Alvarado**

*San Diego Chapter*

**Col Scott Beidleman, USAF (Ret)**

Millennium Engineering and Integration  
Company

*Los Angeles Chapter*

**Michael Bowen**

Praxis Engineering

*Aberdeen Chapter*

**MSgt Amanda Bradley, USAF**

AFIMSC, Detachment 4

*Kaiserslautern Chapter*

**Kimberly Cranson**

MIKEL, Inc.

*Lexington-Concord Chapter*

**James M. Crawford**

*Palmetto Chapter*

**Kenneth E. Edmundson**

CDO Technologies, Inc.

*Montgomery Chapter*

**Lt Col Callistus R. Elbourne, USAF**

US Pacific Command

*Hawaii Chapter*

**Serdar Erkoca**

BUPAT LTD

*Turkiye Chapter*

**Harold Haney**

*Greater Omaha Chapter*

**Sqn Ldr Darren Jones**

Royal Air Force

*London Chapter*

**TSgt Anne King, USAF**

55<sup>th</sup> Strategic Communications Squadron

*Greater Omaha Chapter*

**MCPO José Macedo, PRTN**

*Portugal Chapter*

**Col Shane Matherne, USAF**

Air Force Reserve Command

*Middle Georgia Chapter*

**Debbie Miller**

Celestar Corporation

*Tampa-St. Petersburg Chapter*

**Dr. Mario Nardi**

Leonardo S.p.A.

*Rome Chapter*

**Linda Newton**

*Hawaii Chapter*

**Michael Plantenga**

Northrop Grumman Corporation

*Los Angeles Chapter*

**Emily Rausch**

Diligent Consulting

*Alamo Chapter*

**SMSgt Barbara Schleben, USAF (Ret)**

Air Force Nuclear Command, Control and  
Communications Center

*ArkLaTex Chapter*

**Eric P. Strauss**

Connected Logistics

*Belvoir Chapter*

**Jeff Thompson**

AT&T Global Business Public Sector Solutions

*Belvoir Chapter*

**LCDR Douglas Vanderlip, USNR**

Navy Reserves

*Hampton Roads Chapter*

**Yvonne Vermillion**

Vermillion Enterprise Solutions, LLC

*Dayton-Wright Chapter*

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## Harry C. Ingles Chapter Award

Alamo Chapter  
Montgomery Chapter  
Palmetto Chapter  
Portugal Chapter

## Brenda M. Dougherty Diversity Program Chapter Award

Hawaii Chapter  
Northern Virginia Chapter

## Distinguished Achievement to the Education Community Award

Alamo Chapter

## Model Chapter Award

AFCEA Energy	London	Tampa-St. Petersburg
Aberdeen	Los Angeles	The Hague
Alamo	Middle Georgia	Tidewater
Atlanta	Montgomery	Valley of the Sun
Belvoir	Naples	Washington DC
Bethesda	North Carolina	
Bonn e.V.	Northern Virginia	
Central Maryland	Oklahoma City	
Dayton-Wright	Palmetto	
Emerald Coast	Pensacola	
Fort Knox Gold Vault	Philadelphia	
Greater Omaha	Portugal	
Gulf Coast	Quantico-Potomac	
Hampton Roads	Rocky Mountain	
Hawaii	Rome	
Huntsville	San Diego	
Kaiserslautern	South Carolina Low Country	
Lexington-Concord	South Florida	



**Albert J. Myer Chapter Awards**

**Individual Member Growth**

Huntsville Chapter  
Northern California Chapter  
Rome Chapter  
San Diego Chapter  
UK Southern Chapter

**Individual Member Retention**

Bonn e.V. Chapter  
El Paso Chapter  
Helsinki Chapter  
Huntsville Chapter  
Rome Chapter  
Seoul Chapter

**Individual Member Recruiting**

AFCEA Energy Chapter  
Kaiserslautern Chapter  
New York – The Founders Chapter  
San Diego Chapter  
UK Southern Chapter

**Achievement**

Northern California Chapter

# AFCEA International 2018 Award Winners



## Young AFCEAN 40 Under 40 Awards

**Maj Joshua Aultman, USAF**  
628 Communications Squadron

**IT1 Ermine Bulls, USN**  
Naval Computer & Telecommunication Area  
Master Station, Pacific

**Perry Chaffee**  
WW Pass

**Alex Chin**  
Anthem Engineering

**Christopher DeMay**  
HawkEye 360

**Dr. Ben Denton**  
DESE Research, Inc.

**Christina Epstein**  
MIT Lincoln Laboratory

**Greg Fitzgerald**  
IT Coalition

**Jason Frye**  
Air Force Life Cycle Management Center

**Dan Gabriel**  
AM LLC and Webstringers LLC

**Jason Garcia**  
CNF Technologies Corporation

**Jay Garcia**  
Fortinet

**Rebekah Getz**  
EWA Government Systems

**Stephen Gillotte**  
Reinventing Geospatial, Inc.

**Blake Hall**  
ID.me

**Ryan Hayes**  
Inflow

**Dr. Andrew Heo**  
National Security Space Institute

**Derek Hess**  
SOCOM/Jacobs

**James Hornage**  
PCI Strategic Management

**Dr. Tim Junio**  
Qadium, Inc.

**Dr. Ala' Khalifeh**  
German Jordanian University

**Ryan Lewis**  
In-Q-Tel

**Brent Lillard**  
GovSmart

**Dr. Pedro Machado**  
AGEAS Portugal

**Dr. Solange Massa**  
Stanford University

**Marcus Neal**  
SOCOM/Jacobs



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## Young AFCEAN 40 Under 40 Awards (cont'd)

**Dr. Francisco Nina Rente**

Dognaedis – Prosegur Cybersecurity Division

**Dr. Tom Northardt**

MIKEL Inc.

**TSgt Bradley Pike, USAF**

50<sup>th</sup> Communications Squadron

**Dr. Ben Poole**

The MITRE Corporation

**Daniel Pressel**

CSRA

**SSgt Cesar Salilican, USAF**

United States Air Force

**Robert Sanchious**

SHR Consulting Group

**MSgt Brandy Silvers, USAF**

Air Force Life Cycle Management Center

**1Lt Jacob Singleton, USAF**

Center for Rapid Innovation AFRL, Space  
Vehicles Directorate

**Abdul Subhani**

Centex Technologies

**Dr. Vivek Taneja**

Dynamo Technologies, LLC

**Steven Turner**

Chesapeake Technology International

**LCDR Jonathan White, USCG**

U.S. Coast Guard Command, Control, and  
Communications Engineering Center

**George Zoulias**

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