President's Message

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During this year’s AFCEA WEST conference, the Emerging Leaders finalized a lot of changes in organization and approach. Not only did we elect our new co-president, Justin Newell, but also three new VPs to push forward the EL initiatives and improvements for the coming years.

In addition to these newly elected individuals, we have formalized the creation of the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DE&I) Committee! Working with the other committees, DE&I is one of the key initiatives for the ELs this year.

Congratulations to our AFCEA 40 Under 40 Winners! You can join us in celebrating these incredible people at TechNet Cyber next month!

- AK & JN

Success at WEST!

For the first time since 2020, AFCEA hosted its annual WEST conference in conjunction with the U.S. Naval Institute (USNI) in person. With more than 9,000 registered attendees, the Emerging Leaders were able to strengthen the core Advisory Committee and Executive Committee, honor many of our Distinguished Young Professionals and Emerging Leader award winners and gain new ideas and insights on how to better support this diverse group of individuals and EL Chapter Programs.

See upcoming events where you can interact with the ELs in the right panel!

Welcome to the Emerging Leaders!

If you are interested in joining any of our committees or learning more about this group, please reach out to akelly@tracesystems.com and justin.newell@cherokee-federal.com.

“We do not need magic to change the world, we carry all the power we need inside ourselves already: we have the power to imagine better.”

– J.K. Rowling

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For more information, visit: https://events.afcea.org/afceacyber22/Public/enter.aspx
Words for the future: What do you want to accomplish during your time on the ELAC EXCOM?

Jordan Loeb - I would like to focus on diversity and help create strategic plans to better integrate the activities of the ELs with the parent organization to further membership, diversity and awards.

Jon Stresing - Through the sharing of best practices, it is my goal to increase memberships and diversity across all chapters!

Peter Walter - My goal is to strengthen the connection of all international chapters in order to give all members a platform for exchange and professional and personal development.