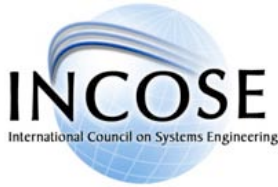


The NorthCoast Interfacer



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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

First, it is an honor to have been elected Chapter President for 2014. I am delighted to work with the capable and highly motivated C-NO Board of Directors.

During February, the Board held two special meetings—beyond the regular monthly Board Meeting—to shape our plans for 2014 and beyond. Guided by feedback collected in the *C-NO Chapter Member Survey* last November, the Board is considering several new initiatives.

One of our first actions is driven by the many survey respondents who expressed interest in learning about Model-Based Systems Engineering (MBSE). We plan to develop an initial MBSE Workshop, to be conducted in the Cleveland area, later this year. Stay tuned for details.

The Board agreed to add a new “jobs feature” to the newsletter, beginning with this issue. Please feel free to submit postings to Sean Beckman, Communications Chair, in any of these categories:

- announcements by job seekers
- consultants offering services
- job postings by employers.

I look forward to greeting you at two particularly high-profile C-NO Chapter Meetings:

- **March 18.** Joseph A. Calabrese, CEO of the Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority presents “Not Your Grandfather’s RTA.”

- **April 15.** David Long, INCOSE President (2014 & 2015) speaks about “Systems Engineering in Turbulent Times.”

See you soon!

Bill Klinger

C-NO President (2014)

EDITOR’S NOTES

Greetings everyone and welcome to a new year and a new look for the newsletter. Along with the new look you may have noticed that we have now named the newsletter “The NorthCoast Interfacer”. As Bill has already mentioned we are starting a new feature with this issue to help connect job seekers and employers. If you are looking for employment please send me a short paragraph or two outlining your experiences with your INCOSE email as contact info. Also if you are a consultant looking for clients or your company is searching for systems engineers please contact me and I can get that information in also. As always we accept articles or announcements for each issue and I try to send out timely reminds of the deadlines to submit for the next issue.

Sean Beckman

NEW CHAPTER MEMBERS

We heartily welcome Mr. Martin Kress from Battelle who joined the C-NO Chapter since December 13, 2013. The C-NO Board of Directors hopes to greet you in person, soon. Please join us, at an upcoming

Chapter Meeting!

Carl J. Dister

VP / President-Elect

RECENT CHAPTER MEETINGS

January 14, 2014

On his final day as C-NO Chapter President, Cody Farinacci presented framed *Chapter Foundation Awards* to John Juhasz and Dan Gauntner—thanking them for their pioneering accomplishments in founding and leading the C-NO Chapter.

Cody also handed out a number of *Certificates of Appreciation*, recognizing the service of C-NO Officers, Committee Chairs, and Chapter Supporters, during 2013.

We enjoyed a tremendous turnout of members and guests to hear Dr. Don Gelosh speak about “Systems Engineering and Leadership.” Don is INCOSE Assistant Director for the Americas - Northeast.

February 18, 2014

Our featured topic was “Firsthand Reports on the INCOSE 2014 International Workshop.”

Five Chapter Members who participated in the January 25-28 event in California kindly shared their experiences and key “takeaways” on the hottest Systems Engineering fronts. Many thanks to Cody Farinacci, Dennis Rohn, Edith Parrott, Katie Trase, and Sean Beckman for their compelling reports on IW2014.

If you didn’t attend the February Chapter Meeting, you missed some crucial insights! We plan to provide online access to the presentation slides, soon. Watch for an e-mail notification.

EMPLOYMENT CONNECTIONS

Job Seekers

Sean Beckman - I am currently seeking employment as a systems engineer so in the North East Ohio area. I have been a systems engineer for over 13 years mostly in the area of government contracting in aerospace with some in commercial aircraft. Most of the time has been at NASA but also subcontracting to Boeing on the 747-8 commercial aircraft and most recently supporting the Army with trade studies. Current Secret Clearance. I have experience in requirements management, model based systems engineering, trade studies, systems architecture, interface definition and integration and verification. sean.beckman@incose.org

Consulting Services

TBD

Job Openings

TBD

DID YOU KNOW?

INCOSE refers to the use of an N-Squared diagram to help in visualizing and working with complex systems. Another name for these N-Squared diagrams is “Design Structure Matrices” (DSM.)

You can learn about DSMs on the following website <http://www.dsmweb.org/>

Also, INCOSE member Dr. Tyson Browning is currently developing tools and techniques to advance the practice of applied DSMs at Texas Christian University. Check out his website at <http://sbuweb.tcu.edu/tbrowning/>

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