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## North Coast System Engineer

# THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Dennis Rohn

I am sitting here, as I write this, waiting for the 2011 INCOSE **International Symposium Closing** Plenary to begin. It's hard to believe that another Symposium is almost over. It was a great symposium and I wish more of you could have attended. One highlight for our Chapter was that we received the Silver Circle Award for our efforts in 2010. See later in this newsletter for a summary of the Symposium and a few pictures. Our next Chapter Meeting will also be dedicated to providing an overview of the Symposium bv those who attended. Next vear's Symposium will be held in Rome. Why not consider writing and submitting a paper. If you're not up for Rome, how about the Detroit, Michigan area? Detroit Chapter is working on a Great Lakes Regional Conference in November and will be looking for papers soon. We also found out that the 2012 International Workshop is going to be held January 21-24 in Jacksonville, FL, and the 2013 International Symposium Philadelphia, PA.

That is all happening elsewhere, so what is our chapter up to? The Board of Directors continues to meet monthly to take care of Chapter business and plan future activities There are a few openings for topics for future chapter meetings, so if you are interested in presenting, or have a topic you would like to see addressed, let us know. I would like to challenge each of you to think about what you would like to get out of the local chapter. Is there a need we are not meeting, is there an opportunity you are looking for, or is there some way you would like to participate? If you have any thoughts feel free to drop me a note. I'm sure any of the Chapter officers would welcome talking with you as well.

Have a Great Summer! Dennis



Figure 1 C-NO Chapter Members Marton Forkosh, Dennis Rohn, and Joel Knapp socializing prior to the Symposium Banquet



Figure 2 C-NO Chapter President Dennis Rohn receiving The Chapter's Silver Circle Award from Samantha Robitaille, INCOSE President

## 2011 INCOSE Great Lakes Regional Conference

The Michigan Chapter, in conjunction with other regional chapters is planning for the fifth Annual INCOSE Great Lakes Regional Conference. It will be held November 4-6 at the historic Dearborn Inn, a Marriott Hotel in Dearborn, Michigan. For more details people can see the host chapter web site:

www.incose.org/michigan and the event web site: http://2011incoseregional.eventbr ite.com/. A regional conference is a very cost effective way to attend a conference and also provides a forum for getting comfortable presenting a paper in a smaller setting. Why not consider writing a paper, or at least attending. Watch for more details in the coming weeks.

## 2012 International Symposium Call for Papers, Panels, and Tutorials

The call for papers, panels, and tutorials for the 2012 INCOSE International **Symposium** Rome Italy, July 9-12, 2012 is now out. Draft papers and proposals for panels or tutorials are due November 8, 2011. If your submission is accepted, you will be notified in February 2012 and the final paper will be due in March 2012 **Technical** questions can be sent to the Technical Program Chair, Mike Celentano mike.celentano@incose.org.

Submission questions can be sent to Karin Moens at karin.moens@incose.org.

#### **New Members**

This month we would like to welcome Ms. Randi Green of NASA GRC to our INCOSE Chapter. Randi is an aerospace engineer currently working on Mars Ascent Vehicle (MAV) as requirements lead for the MAV System Requirements Document (SRD). In the past she has worked on Ares I Upper Stage (US) Thrust Vector Control (TVC) and the Orion Project. In her spare time she enjoys competition ballroom dancing.

# **Upcoming Chapter Meetings**

July 19<sup>th</sup>: IS Recap by attending members

August 16<sup>th</sup>: Modeling for System Functional Analysis

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