

Chapter News

August 2024

Welcome to August 2024. Here is what is happening with the North Texas INCOSE Chapter...

We love the representation of North Texas at the INCOSE International Symposium 2024 enjoy these pictures. Also shout out to Larri Rosser and his virtual presentation at IS2024!

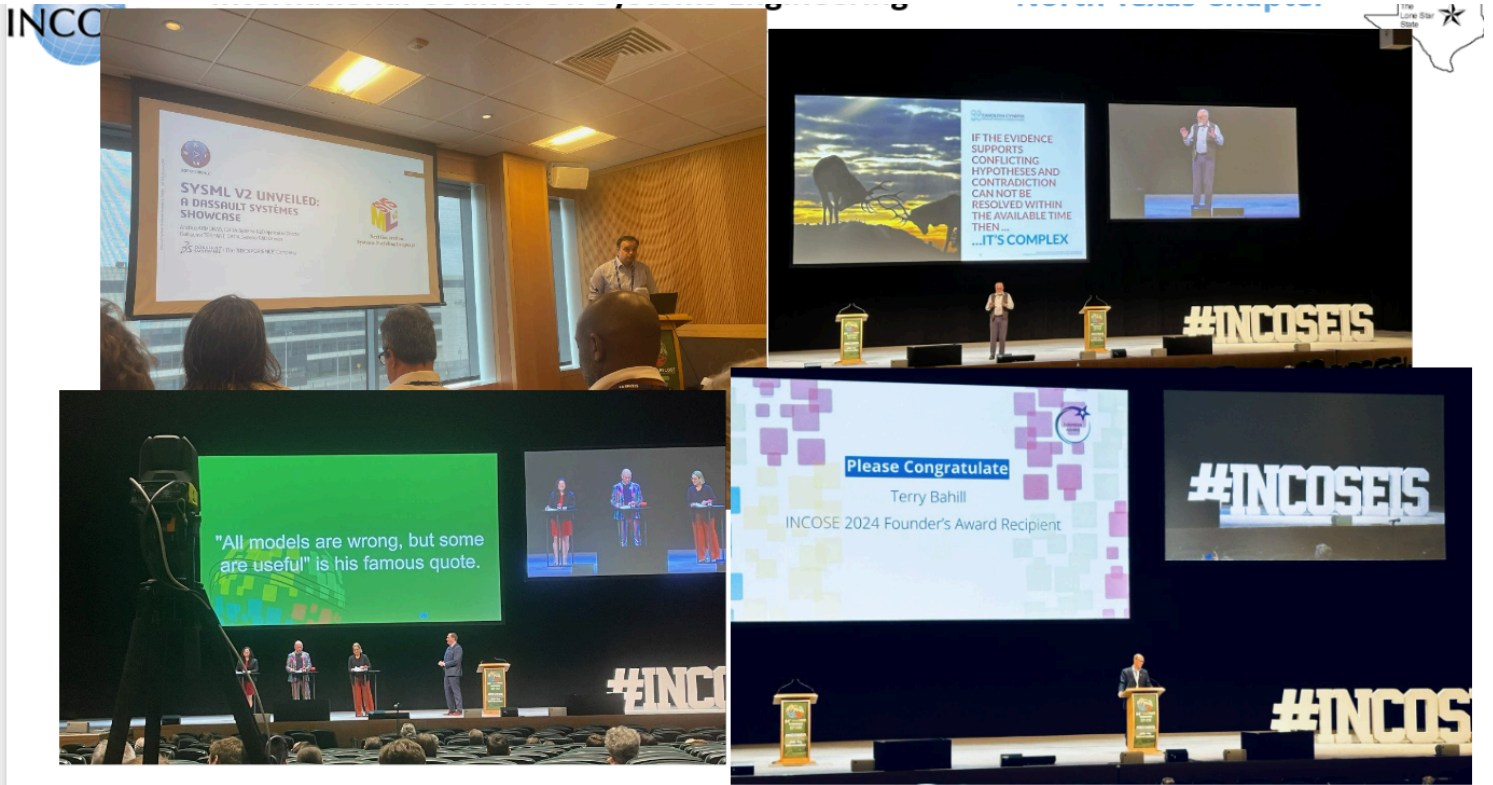


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INCOSE NTX is Hosting a Tour Event at Raytheon McKinney - September 27

We are excited to announce an exclusive tour of the Raytheon McKinney Facility on September 27th. This is a unique opportunity to explore one of the leading sites in advanced technology and engineering.

Tour Details: Friday, September 27th

- **Start Time:** 10:00am
- **Duration:** Approximately 1.5 hours
- **Capacity:** Limited to 20 participants, INCOSE NTX and CAB Members only, no families

RSVP Information: To ensure a smooth and efficient visit, we kindly ask attendees to provide the following information when registering:

1. Company/Business Unit Representation
2. Title (Including RTX Personnel)
3. Prior Visitor Status (PV?)
4. Foreign National (FN?) – **Due to security limitations, FNs will be unable to this event.**
5. Considerations for Accessibility (CFA)

How to Register: Please send your RSVP with the required information to ntxinfo@incose.net by **August 26th, 2024**. Due to the limited capacity, registration will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

Additional Information:

- All visitors must bring a valid photo ID.

- Please arrive 20 minutes before the tour start time (9:40am) for security check-in.
- Photography is not permitted within the facility.

We look forward to your participation and an insightful tour of the Raytheon McKinney Facility!

Chapter Hosted SEP Exam

The chapter is excited to offer two more opportunities to take a paper based SEP exam this year. Fall offerings are

September 14, 2024, 8am-12pm CST, at SMU

October 12, 2024, 8am-12pm CST, at SMU

The SEP Exam Prep Course is a great way to get ready for this exam!

To register (instructions also attached):

1. Log in to <https://portal.incose.org>
2. Click on "Certifications" in the menu banner
3. Select "Register for an Exam"
4. Click on tile for appropriate exam.
5. Click on hyperlink for "Registration" and follow the prompts to complete registration.

Or click on the link below after logging into the portal:

1. Sept Option: <https://portal.incose.org/integratedEvents/home/14-SEPTEMBER-2024-KNOWLEDGE-EXAM-AT-SMU>
2. Oct Option: <https://portal.incose.org/integratedEvents/home/12-OCTOBER-2024-KNOWLEDGE-PAPER-EXAM-AT-SMU>

Want to help out the chapter?

If you like to write and would like to submit articles to the INCOSE newsletter, we would love to hear from you! Contact us at ntxinfo@incose.net and let's get the articles started.

Join Us for this month's Chapter Meeting!

Chapter Meeting August 13, 2024 5:30-7pm CST

Join us online: [INCOSE NORTH TEXAS CHAPTER MEETING](#)

This Month's Presentation

Presenter: Daniel Hettema

Title: A Celebrating Digital Engineering Wins

ABSTRACT: In a presentation titled, "A Celebrating Digital Engineering Wins," Mr. Daniel Hettema, Director of Digital Engineering, Modeling & Simulation (DEM&S), will describe how DEM&S and the Department is moving the Digital Engineering (DE) needle forward. This includes addressing challenges in transitioning to full digital implementation with the Defense Industrial Base. By recognizing and celebrating small wins, DEM&S aims to foster organizational change that will accelerate DE acquisition, delivering more effective solutions to the warfighter. In his presentation, Mr. Hettema will challenge attendees to take on the role of change managers to meet key initiatives in progress. The session will pinpoint critical transition points for analysis and operational efficiency, as well as identify potential gaps for future needs. To leverage the benefits of DE processes and tools for optimizing designs in the virtual world, each Service has developed implementation plans to realize the focus areas outlined in the National Defense Science and Technology Strategy (NDS).

Next Month's Presentation

Join us in September for our next speaker: Steve Records, Executive Director of INCOSE

Bio: Steve has been serving at the Executive Director of INCOSE since April 2023. Steve is helping to lead INCOSE's evolution to become a world-class professional association. Some of his personal goals include organizational growth, member engagement, and culture building.

Steve came to INCOSE from the Grain Elevator and Processing Society (GEAPS), where he was Executive Director, International Board Executive Vice President, and Executive Director of The GEAPS Foundation. Before GEAPS, Records was Chief Operating Officer at SCORE and The SCORE Foundation from 2011 to 2019. He has previously worked in management consulting at the Gallup Organization and in the chemical industry at Nalco Company. He has a Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering from Purdue University, a Master of Business Administration in Finance from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV). He has completed the Executive Program for Nonprofit Leaders at Stanford University. He is also a Certified Association Executive.

Meeting September 10, 2024, 5:30-7:00pm



- CHECK US OUT ON LINKEDIN! Join the [INCOSE- North Texas Regional Chapter](#) LinkedIn Group. Stay up to date on chapter events, opportunities and the Systems Engineering world.



- Potential NTX Chapter member presenters

Chapter members, we are looking for interested individuals to speak to the NTX chapter in 2024. If you are interested, please email us at ntxinfo@incose.net to express your interest and we will provide you all available dates (no worries, you will have ample time to prepare). This opportunity can get you PDU points toward your INCOSE certification and help the NTX Chapter achieve Platinum Circle status!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Meenakshi	Yellamraju	Trane Technologies
Jeremy	Hill	Lockheed Martin Corporation
Scott	Warren	University of North Texas
Shelley	Stracener	
Chandler	Beck	Maxar Technologies

INCOSE Membership Autorenewal

NTX Team, there is a great opportunity to auto-Renew your INCOSE membership. If you are interested, navigate to the INCOSE.org page in the Profile Home section, select in the Membership tab, below my membership there is a link that will lead you to your billing information to make the selection to auto renew your membership.

If you would like to become a member or need to renew your membership, visit the [INCOSE membership page](http://www.incose.org/about/Membership) (<http://www.incose.org/about/Membership>). After becoming a member, watch for new member emails and join the monthly new member café's.



Congratulations to the newest SEPs in North Texas

- ASEP - Edward Peterson III
 - CSEP - Jerry Stokes
 - CSEP - Kenneth Swenson
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- Let us know if you've been certified at ntxinfo@incose.net

Shout out to your community work in North Texas

- Shout out Michelle Maddox for serving as an University of Texas at Arlington Innovation Day Judge on April 20-21, 2024.
- Shout out to Seth Sherman for serving as a judge for Invention Convention Americas, a celebration of the best student inventors from the America Continent on July 29, 2024.
- Let us know what you are up to - send your community involvement to ntxinfo@incose.net

If you have published an article or plan to give a presentation, we encourage you to share the news. Send a summary of it to Danyel at ntxinfo@incose.net and we will include it in the newsletter.

Upcoming Events

INCOSE Events:

Sept 10, 2024 - INCOSE North Texas Meeting: Steve Records presenting Future of INCOSE

September 19-21, 2024 - [2024 Annual INCOSE Western States Regional Conference \(WSRC\)](#)

Oct 8, 2024 - INCOSE North Texas Meeting: Ryan Noguchi presenting Managing Technical Debt in Models

Local Events:

[IEEE MetroCon 2024 – November 14th, 2024 | Hurst Conference Center](#), Michelle Maddox from NTX
INCOSE Sponsoring Systems Engineering Track - November 14, 2024

Let us know of anything coming up by sending a note to ntxinfo@incose.net

Ambassadors

If you would like to promote the chapter and host meetings at your facility, contact Seth Sherman at ntxinfo@incose.net to volunteer as an Ambassador and you will be provided with orientation material.

POCs and Locations are:

- Monique Jobe, CAE - Arlington
- Jennifer Key, Lockheed Martin MFC - Grand Prairie
- Wesley Simon, Lockheed Martin MFC – Grand Prairie
- Justin C' de Baca, Lockheed Martin - Fort Worth
- Geordan Koenigs, Raytheon - McKinney
- Leejo George, Collins - Richardson
- Sean Densford, Dassault

Don't see your facility on the list? If you would like to host a meeting, let us know at ntxinfo@incose.net.

Chapter Resources

- **PDU Information:** INCOSE Systems Engineering Professionals (SEPs) should be tracking their professional development activities throughout their certification period. They should keep a log of these activities and additional supporting information in case they are audited. Upon completion of certification or renewal, SEPs should download the latest forms to assist with their next renewal activity.

More information available at: [Renewing Certification \(incose.org\)](#)

- **2035 System Engineering Vision available (free resource!)**

This Vision was sponsored by INCOSE and produced by a team of leaders from the systems community, with inputs from across industry, academia, and government. The Systems Engineering Vision 2035 addresses:

- The Global Context for Systems Engineering
- The Current State of Systems Engineering
- The Future State of Systems Engineering
- Realizing the Vision

Available at <https://www.incose.org/about-systems-engineering/se-vision-2035>

- **The NTX Chapter Yammer site.** - Now called Viva Engage!

Use your member's Incose.buzz email address to access the site. Yammer can be used to have announcements, discussions, ask questions, and conduct basic polls. We welcome you to join us in any of the discussions there. https://www.yammer.com/incose2.onmicrosoft.com/#/threads/inGroup?type=in_group&feedId=62479065088&view=all. A few of you have incose.net accounts while the majority of our members received incose.buzz accounts. Check your email for the invitation to Yammer with your user name and password. People with incose.net accounts should log into office 365 and then go to Yammer. People with incose.buzz accounts should go straight to Yammer.

- **(Volunteers Needed)** Let us know if you are interested in becoming a NTX Yammer contributor to help promote Yammer by interaction through comments or briefing on INCOSE products. Other items of interest we would like to include are recaps of chapter meetings and op-eds on your experiences with INCOSE. If interested, please contact the Board at ntxinfo@incose.net.

- **Systems Engineering Tools Database (SETDB):**

In collaboration with Project Performance International (PPI), the INCOSE SETDB WG provides the Systems Engineering Tools Database (SETDB) for INCOSE and PPI members and stakeholders to assist with systems engineering tool searching and information collection.

The SETDB Working Group products are available on the SETDB YAMMER site and are available for all INCOSE members. They are not official INCOSE products, they are INCOSE Working Group products.

The SETDB Public Website is available at [this link](#) and a link to the SETDB is available on this web page

A SETDB link is also available on the INCOSE Website Landing page, and you can reach it directly at: www.systemsengineeringtools.com

- **INCOSE SEP Certification & Exam info videos!**

INCOSE has posted a series of one minute long videos on their YouTube Channel:

- **Intro to certification:** <https://www.incose.org/systems-engineering-certification/>

- **Computer Exam Step 1** – schedule the exam: https://youtu.be/9_mivBiwkPo
- **Computer Exam Step 2** -<https://youtu.be/L1myzH9vEEk>
- **Computer Exam Step 3** - <https://youtu.be/OTRmwz-bALs>

Board Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

President – Dawn Handley (Present)
 President-Elect – Seth Sherman (Present)
 Vice President of Chapter Development – Seth Sherman (Present)
 Director of Technical Development – Geordan Koenigs (Present)
 Treasurer – Michelle Maddox (Present)
 Director of Information – Danyel Fiet (Present)
 Past President – Anthony Williams (Present)
 Director at Large – Sarena Gazic (Present)
 Director at Large – Jerome Forbes (Not-Present)
 Ambassador – Justin C' de Baca (Not-Present)
 Ambassador – Jennifer Key (Present)
 Ambassador – Monique Jobe (Not-Present)

Minutes from the 6 Aug 2024 Board Meeting:

Board Meeting:

- SAE and INCOSE held a joint meeting to discuss participation at the upcoming AutoCross event in October. A vote was taken and all board members agreed for the INCOSE North Texas Chapter to support the event with a presentation on Friday night and Saturday at lunch. INCOSE and SAE will also sponsor a table during the event where students can come talk to the presenter and the chapter members to learn more information. It was determined that a pizza luncheon is no longer needed for INCOSE and SAE to fund. Tim Patek, SAE North Texas President, will confirm the plan with AutoCross and follow back up with SAE and INCOSE board members.
- Since the North Texas Chapter will no longer be sponsoring the pizza luncheon for AutoCross the chapter will discuss at an upcoming meeting options to support other chapters and/or organizations.
- The INCOSE North Texas board members reviewed and approved an article for the 3Q INCOSE newsletter.
- Geordan Koenigs discussed details of the upcoming tour being held at Raytheon.
- Planning is taking place to secure a location for the North Texas Chapter yearly social. A vote was taken within the board on whether Andretti or Main Event may be a good location. Two members voted for Andretti, five for Main Event, and two abstained. Although Main Event appeared to win the vote, the decision was made to first research both of the locations and obtain more information on food and entertainment options before proceeding. Members will also be polled at the Chapter meeting being held on 13 August. The chapter will revisit this topic at the next Board meeting.

- A reminder that local Ambassadors do have funds available to hold onsite meetings for their teams. Contact Seth Sherman for more details.

Feel free to forward this email to others.

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If you had this email forwarded to you and would like to become a member of the Chapter, log into your INCOSE account and update your profile to add the North Texas Chapter. If you are already a member of the chapter and did not receive the email directly, you may need to update your profile to opt in to emails.

If you aren't a member and want to be added to our email list contact us at ntxinfo@incose.net.

Warm Regards,

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