Centennial Celebrations Turn to Cybersecurity Awareness

By Barbara Homony

As part of its ongoing Centen-

nial Year celebrations, the Naval

Postgraduate School’s Information

Technology and Communications

Services (ITACS) hosted a rich

spectrum of educational and public

events throughout October in recog-
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Cybersecurity Awareness Month.

The month kicked off with a key-
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Faculty Notes


SGBPP Assoc. Prof. René Rendon presented a seminar on “Contract Management Lessons Learned” as part of the International Defense Acquisition Resource Management (IDARM) conference on Defense Procurement and Logistics: Lessons Learned, An International Prospective held in Ljubljana, Slovenia in September.

Uniquity (Vol. 10, Issue 10) for October 13-20, 2009 includes an interview by Dr. Peter Denning with Prof. Chris Gunderson, founder of the Worldwide Consortium for the Advancement of Internet Science. The Center for Educational Development and Technology at NPS will publish the edited volume. Thepermalink for the article is at http://www.acm.org/ubiquity/volume_10/v1010_gunderson.html.

Assistant Prof. Marcello Romano, MAE, has been elected as an Associate Fellow in the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA). Assoc. Prof. Dick Doyle, GSBPP, has accepted a nomination to the International Advisory Board of the Institute for Advanced Study in Physics; and Assoc. Prof. Systems Engineering.

Energy Initiatives Help NPS Go Green

By Barbara Honegger

NPS’ well-recognized blue and gold might well compete with green to win the whole of the university’s environmental efforts. Here are some of the ways that the NPS administration, faculty, staff and students are improving the university’s energy efficiency initiatives planned across the university’s campus, supporting all NPS education programs.

The Center for Educational De- signs, Distribution and Coordination (CEDS), under Tom Maat, continues its role supporting faculty in the delivery of educational material, and supporting programs in the delivery of education, particularly distributed learning (DL). An initia- tive underway for AY2010 will evolve NPS toward more simple and common practices for the coordination and sup- port of DL education.

Faculty tenure-track hires for this month include: Robert Beverly, Assistant Prof. Computer Science; Joshua Hacker, Associate Prof. Meteorology; John Lewellen, Associate Prof. Physics; and David Obell, Prof. Systems Engineering.

The first students in the Navy’s inaugural advanced edu- cation class arrived at NPS this month. The first class was comprised of 10 students—eight lieutenants and two ensigns—and classes were held in two attic rooms in the Naval Academy’s Ledges Hall. The Center for Faculty Development, under Ali Rodgers, conducts and coor- dinates faculty development activities for NPS. Leading off the new academic year this quarter is the next iteration of the Compass Series, NPS’ orientation and support program for new NPS fac- ulty. New faculty development activities for AY2010 include a program to sup- port faculty integrating pedagogy and technology as NPS transitions to the new Sakai learning management system.

The Director of Programs Office welcomed new leadership, when Cmdr. Mary Sims became the Director of Pro- grams (DOP) in September. An NPS alumnus (NSA), Mary has stepped in with a running start. AY2010 DOP activities will include a strong focus on NPS program/curretnl review in support of NPS ongoing WASC accredita- tion process.

In short, there’s lots to look forward to... Happy New Academic Year!