

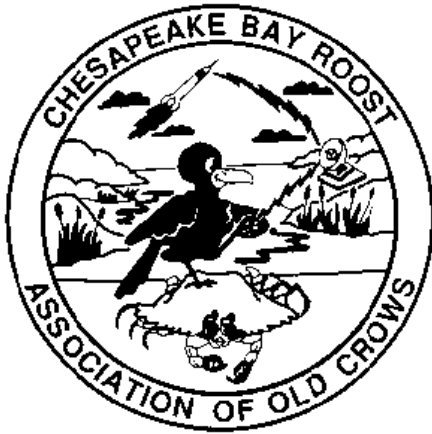
CHESAPEAKE BAY

ROOST

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**Next Monthly Meeting: Thursday, 19 Jan 2006
1100 hours. in the HEM Conference Room!**

From the President

John's Corner

Well 2005 ended on a high note for the Roost, we had a successful Holiday awards luncheon and the Roost was recognized at the AOC convention as the Outstanding Chapter in the large chapter category. As you can see this Chapter accomplishes much when we all work together.

We had a very impressive group of speakers for the luncheons during 2005. In 2006 we plan a more diverse group of speaker to speak at the luncheons. We are still soliciting input from you the membership on topic of interests. Also if you know of an individual or group that may be willing to provide the Roost a luncheon presentation please let us know.

The Roost provided a support team to work with the headquarters staff during the Virginia Beach Convention. We provided support to the speaker's bureau and provide protocol support. The convention went well and our team performed admirably. We have been asked to support the 2006 convention in Washington.

Don't forget, we are starting our membership drive this month. Devi (dhardesty@chesapeakeaoc.org) and Jerry (jhayward@chesapeakebayaoc.org) will be the driving forces behind this drive. It should be a very good exercise in how well we project who and what an Old Crow is and how important it is for the Chapter to remain strong.

Next month AOC will conduct its annual EW/IO Awareness Day during early February. Please visit the Roost web page at chesapeakebayaoc.org for more information.

Don't forget to sign up for the monthly luncheons that are held at the Historical Electronics Museum on the third Thursday of each month September – November and January – April. We have special meetings during December and a dinner honoring our scholars in May. Consider support these chapter activities.

John Hawkins, President

(jhawkins@chesapeakebayaoc.org)

Monthly Membership Meeting Schedule

During the months of January through May 2006 the following activities are scheduled:

Jan	19	Thursday	Topic: Adaptive Beam Forming Presenter: Dr. Mike Pascale
Feb	16	Thursday	Topic: Verifying EC System Mission Readiness Presenter: Mr. Gary Hartman, AAI Corp.
Mar	16	Thursday	Topic: Homeland Defense Civil Support and Catastrophic Disaster Presenter: Mr. Michael Ritchie
Apr	20	Thursday	TBD
May	18	Thursday	Scholar's Dinner and Awards

*Chesapeake Bay Roost now has a
Home Page on the Internet!!!*

To access the home page on the Internet set your browser to:

<http://www.chesapeakebay/aoc.org>

Or go to the national web page at

<http://www.crows.org/linksChapters.htm>

and click on Chesapeake Bay Roost which is hyperlinked to our home page.

Once on the Chesapeake Bay Roost home page the following are available to you by clicking on them:

Home Events Benefits Newsletter

Hail and Farewell

During the year we have gained and lost several of our membership due to many factors. Welcome to the new members we hope that you will enjoy being a part of the Chesapeake Bay Roost. Please provide a current email address to Bruce Hall bhall@chesapeakebayaoc.org or Jim Chism at jchism@chesapeakebayaoc.org.

To those that are departing we say farewell and that we have enjoyed your support for the Roost and the AOC and you will be missed. Please feel free to visit the roost meetings whenever you are in the area.

Annual Awards Program and Holiday Party – Blob’s Park – 8 Dec 2005

Jim Chism

On 8 December, Chesapeake Bay Roost members attended the chapters Holiday Party and award ceremony at Blob’s Park. All attendees enjoyed a sumptuous German buffet and corporate mementos provided by our corporate sponsors. The Chesapeake Roost wants to thank and recognize the following companies who have made significant contributions to the CBR and AOC:

Rohde&Schwarz
Carwithen Assoc.
Northrop Grumman
Chesapeake Industries
Alion Science & Technology

Many thanks to Major Kevin Williams for arranging for the color guard and chaplain for the event.

Our President recognized the following support team for their efforts and presented coffee mugs on behalf of the roost:

Charles Senft
John McCarty
Gail Denison
Jim Chism
John Hawkins

He also presented a special award to the following “better halves” that have supported the roost during the year:

Doris Ann Chism
Betty McCarty
Dee Hill

Last but not least, the President’s Award for continued outstanding service to the Roost was presented to:

Bruce Hall

AOC Chapters of the Year 2004-2005

Policy and Procedures Memorandum 5-9 defines the criteria for selection of the Chapters of the Year. Chapter awards are given in three categories based on chapter sizes of large, medium, and small. Awards are given to the highest scoring chapter in each category. The evaluation of all sub-missions used a point structure based on the significance of each activity to the membership and the association. The selection was based on two major factors: what the individual chapter has done to further the goals of the association, and what it has done for its members. Announcement of the Chapters of the Year, and presentation of all other chapter awards was made at the Annual Chapter President's meeting during the AOC International Symposium and Convention in Virginia Beach, VA in October 2005.

Large Chapter (300+ members):

Billy Mitchell Chapter, 66 points
(Tie for Chapter of the Year)

Dixie Crow Chapter, 66 points
(Tie for Chapter of the Year)

Chesapeake Bay Roost, 54 points
(Outstanding Chapter)

Windy City Chapter 51 points
(Excellent Chapter)

United Kingdom Chapter, 50 points
(Excellent Chapter)

Medium Chapter (100-299 members):
Strategic Roost, 56 points
(Chapter of the Year)

Small Chapter (10-99):
Southwestern Crows, 39 points
(Chapter of the Year).

Scholarship Dinner – 18 May 06

by Roger Chang, Scholarship Chairperson

The Chesapeake Bay Roost will host its 20th Annual Scholar's Recognition Dinner in the Pioneer Hall of the Historical Electronics Museum in Linthicum, MD. The Chesapeake Bay Roost has given over \$200,000 in scholarship to high school students and enlisted scholars for over 20 years. Please plan on joining us on May 18, 2006 at the Historical Electronics Museum in Linthicum, Maryland for dinner, and guided tour of the Museum and presentations to honor our 2006 Scholarship and enlisted grant winners.

Australian Symposium & Exhibition

The AOC's Australian Chapter will hold an International Symposium and Exhibition on Feb. 12-14, 2006, at the Adelaide Convention Center, North Terrace, Adelaide, South Australia. To increase company visibility, sponsorships are available. The exhibition will be held on the ground floor and there are 45 booths available. There will be a number of training courses running immediately after the exhibition. Check out the updated information at the chapter web site at www.oldcrows.org.au. For specific information, contact the symposium manager, Bianca Scarlett, Festival City Conventions Pty Ltd., PO. Box 949, Kent Town, SA, 5071; Phone: +61.8.8363.1307 (within Australia) or +61.8.8363.1307 (international); Fax: 08.8363.1604 (within Australia) +61.8.8363.1604 (International); or email at info@fcconventions.com.au.

Capitol Hill EW/IO Awareness Day

Wednesday, February 8, 2006
Washington, DC – Capitol Hill

This annual event is an important opportunity to represent AOC on Capitol Hill in meetings with Members of Congress and their staff to impress upon them the importance of EW & IO as part of the National Defense of the United States of America.

Taking from the AOC 2006 Policy Agenda, we will focus our efforts and message this year on Airborne Electronic Attack (AEA) and Countermeasures (CM) for Armed Forces deployed in Iraq and

Afghanistan. The event kicks-off with a briefing and reception Tuesday evening, February 7, at 6:00 PM.

For more information and to register for this event, visit the AOC website at www.crows.org, or contact Ken Miller, Director of Government and Industry Affairs, at (703) 549-1600 or kmiller@crows.org.

Register on-line today to JOIN or RENEW your current membership!

I am not an individual member, how do I join?

1. Go to the homepage (<http://www.crows.org>)
2. Click on the "Join AOC Today" icon or text located on the top right of the page
3. Fill out the "Join Association as Individual" page
4. Enter your payment information
5. Once you enter your payment information you will be given your membership ID on the next page
6. Click done and you will be directed to the member login page
7. You will receive a confirmation email when the transaction is complete

How do I renew my membership?

1. Go to the homepage (<http://www.crows.org>)
2. Click on "Login" located on the top right of the page under the Membership section
3. Login id is your membership ID number and temporary password is crows.
4. Under the payment/invoice information section click on "Renew Your Membership"
5. Select the membership package you would like to renew and enter your payment information
6. You will receive a confirmation email when the transaction is complete.

I am not a corporate member, how do I join?

1. Go to the homepage
(<http://www.crows.org>)
2. Under “Corporate Membership Information” on the top right of the page click “Join”
3. Print the PDF file, fill it out and mail it Glorianne O’Neilin at the AOC Headquarters



Special Member Benefits:

1. AOC members and their families are eligible to join the Pentagon Federal Credit Union (*U.S. Citizenship required*), one of the largest and strongest credit unions in the nation
2. AOC has partnered with AVIS Rent A Car to provide its members with discounts nationally
3. AOC Members can receive special discounts at all JoS A. Banks stores

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Help Spread the Word

By Charles Senft and John McCarty

As you may all ready know the Historical Electronics Museum (H.E.M.) is the repository for Association of Old Crows artifacts and historical literature. These items have been very helpful in preparing exhibits and displays, which are used to assist the general public in understanding of the role that Electronics play in the preservation of the nation and the protection of the War Fighters.

However what the museum needs now is different materials that could be used to develop new and possibly more current displays.

If each you would look around your work place and associated areas to see if there are old displays, mockups, prototype systems or other materials no long used that could contribute to an educational display. Please contact John McCarty at the H.E.M. by phone 410-765-6162 or e-mail john_mccarty@yahoo.com or P.O. Box 1693 MS-4015 Baltimore MD 21203. Any contributions or donations when on display will credit the donor and/or the source of the contributing agency if desired.

**43rd Annual AOC
International
Symposium and
Convention**

November 5-8, 2006

Washington, DC

Don’t forget to budget for the 2006 International Symposium and Convention to be held in Washington DC at the Marriott Wardman Park Hotel. More information is posted at the AOC web site:

https://www.myaac.org/EWEB/dynamicpage.aspx?webcode=06DCCONV_homepage. Exhibitor information is currently available at this site.

Bay roost Welcomes new Director:

Please welcome Devi Rathod-Hardesty of Micro Lambda, LLC to the Board of Directors. Devi will work with membership and other committees. Her data for your records are:

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