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2023 | ALUMNI PROFESSIONAL EXCHANGE

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2023 CHDS Alumni Professional Exchange (APEX)

Continuing Education Workshop | Barbara McNitt Ballroom, Hermann Hall
Naval Postgraduate School | February 21 - 23, 2023

DAY ONE – Tuesday, February 21

- 8:00 a.m. **Welcome and Opening Remarks**
Registration & Coffee Service
- 8:30 a.m. **Welcome**
- Glen Woodbury, Director, CHDS
- Opening Remarks**
- Admiral Ann Rondeau, USN (Ret.), President, Naval Postgraduate School (Invited)
- Workshop Overview**
- Debra Kirby, President, CHDS Association
- 8:50 a.m. **Keynote Address**
- Erik Hooks, Deputy Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency
- 10:00 a.m. **Morning Break**
- 10:20 a.m. **Plenary Session: American Patriotism Today**
- Nabeela Barbari, Executive Vice President – OTH Solutions
 - Steve Sund, former Chief, U.S. Capitol Police
 - Dan O'Connor, Field Director, OCSCO FEMA
- 11:40 a.m. **Lunch (NPS On-campus Dining Options)**
- 1:00 p.m. **Plenary Session: Alumni Short Talks- Nuclear Threat and Strategic Competition**
- Robert Wagner, Senior WMD Subject Matter Expert, Octant Associates
- 2:15 p.m. **Afternoon Break**
- 2:35 p.m. **Plenary Session: CHDS Alumni Short Talks- Microvisibility- New Ideas in Leadership**
- Nitin Natarajan, Deputy Director, CISA
- 4:00 p.m. **Adjourn**

DAY TWO – Wednesday, February 22

- 8:00 a.m. **Workshop Summary and Schedule Overview**
Coffee Service
- 8:15 a.m. **NPS News**
• Scott S. Gartner, Provost and Academic Dean, NPS
- 8:30 a.m. **Presentation of the CHDS Founders Award**
• Glen Woodbury, Director, CHDS
- Presentation of the CHDS Alumni Service Award**
Presentation of Christopher Bellavita Award
• Debra Kirby, President, CHDS Association
- 9:00 a.m. **Plenary Session: CHDS Alumni Short Talks- Next Generation 911**
• Karima Holmes, Director, Washington, D.C. 911 and 311
- 10:15 a.m. *Morning Break*
- 10:35 a.m. **Plenary Session: CHDS Alumni Short Talks- Beyond Implementation -
Operationalizing the National Strategy for Women, Peace, and Security (WPS)**
• Tiffani Phillips, DAFC, Security Cooperation Integration Deputy
NORAD and USNORTHCOM, Gender Advisor
- 11:45 a.m. *Lunch (NPS On-campus Dining Options)*
- 1:00 p.m. **Plenary Session: Open Artificial Intelligence- Emerging Technologies and Threats**
• Rodrigo Nieto Gomez, NPS Faculty
- 2:15 p.m. *Afternoon Break*
- 2:35 p.m. **Plenary Session: The Great Simplification- What HS Leaders Need to Know
About the Future of Energy**
• Nate Hagens, Director, Institute for the Study of Energy and Our Future
- 4:00 p.m. *Adjourn*
- 5:30 - 8:00 p.m. **Networking Reception (Hosted by the CHDS Association)**
****All alumni, guests, speakers, faculty, and staff are invited****

DAY THREE – Thursday, February 23

- 8:30 a.m. **Workshop Summary and Schedule Overview**
- Debra Kirby, President, CHDS Association
 - Remembrance of those who have recently passed
- 8:45 a.m. **Plenary Session: Strategic Foresight Framework for Government Leaders**
- John Robb, Global Guerillas
- 10:00 a.m. *Morning Break*
- 10: 20 a.m. **Plenary Session: CHDS Alumni Short Talks- Cyber Armageddon- Not Yet**
- Elvis Chan, FBI Asst. Agent in Charge, San Francisco
- 11:45 a.m. *Lunch (NPS On-campus Dining Options)*
- 1:00 p.m. **Plenary Session: CHDS Alumni Short Talks on New Ideas in Homeland Security**
- Advancing Recruitment and Retention- It's Everyone's Job**
- Mikaela Ellenwood, Mass Care Branch Director, National IMAT White, FEMA
 - Scott Fenton, Region 9 Operations Branch Director, FEMA
- 2:15 p.m. *Afternoon Break*
- 2:35 p.m. **Plenary Session: CHDS Alumni Meeting**
- CHDS Association Board and Alumni
- 4:00 p.m. *Adjourn*