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## Cyber Updates from the Desk of Craig Spohn



*Dear Friends,*

I would like to welcome our newest tenant, The Boeing Corporation, to the building. Col West Anderson (ret., USAF) has opened

Boeing's Regional Field Office and is charged with developing and managing Boeing's relations with its customers, promoting business opportunities, and matching customer needs to Boeing solutions. Col Anderson was the keynote speaker at our May luncheon and gave a lively presentation on current and future developments at Boeing.

On May 27, we celebrated the opening of Venyu's data center at its official ribbon-cutting with Bossier City Mayor Lo Walker, members of the Bossier Chamber of Commerce, and area business people in attendance. Referring to Venyu's selection of the CIC for its newest data center, Tommy Curb, Venyu's Vice President of Business Development and Legal Affairs, told the Bossier Press-Tribune, "The folks here at the CIC and the Bossier and Shreveport Chambers of Commerce were all very instrumental in making this hap-

pen. We were all well received. I think they see the value it brings to the community and we certainly saw the value this community can afford to bring." According to Matt Wallace, Vice President of Marketing, "We also were looking at where the growth was happening. There is a lot of opportunity in the Bossier-Shreveport, north Louisiana corridor. The partnership we've been able to form here with the CIC was very instrumental to bringing us here. Being in a facility like this that has the physical security that we're attracted to is kind of hard to beat. We have the facility in Missouri and Massachusetts, but we're starting to bridge up the central part of the United States. This supports our growth plan." Venyu has already signed on its first client here and looks forward to the company's continued growth.

We were honored to have Lt Col Graham Todd, USAF, as the keynote speaker at our June Monthly Member Luncheon. His presentation was entitled "Cyber Law and the Challenges of Social Media." He began by discussing the definition of cyberspace, noting that the cyberspace domain is a combination of private and public property governed by technical rule sets designed pri-

marily to facilitate the flow of information. He stated that there is a long-term conflict regarding digital privacy, especially in the workplace. Employers have the right to monitor employees' cyber activities for certain purposes and can search their stored communications, he said, because a work computer is the employer's property. Moreover, the law does not protect employees from employers' searches because they—the employees—are using non-public service providers. He noted that a company owner is considered a service provider if his or her business offers an internal server, intranet, or email to employees. In an interesting aside, he stated that approximately only 2,200 wiretaps were approved each year, not one million, as some guessed. He noted that wiretaps under the Patriot Act take months to process because judges take a great deal of time in considering the merits and legality of a wiretap. Thanks again to Lt Col Todd for a fascinating presentation.

Sincerely,

*Craig Spohn*



## *June Luncheon Keynote Speaker*

Lieutenant Colonel Graham H. Todd is currently the Chief of Administrative Law, Headquarters Air Force Global Strike Command, at Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana. He is responsible for providing advice to Air Force Global Strike Command staff and subordinate units on legal issues such as military justice, adverse actions, ethics and policy.

Lieutenant Colonel Todd emigrated from the United Kingdom in 1977 and grew up in Boise, Idaho. He graduated from U.S. Air Force Academy in 1993 with Military Honors and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant. His first assignment was to Kansas University where he earned a Master of Arts in Russian and East European Studies in 1994. Between 1994 and 1998, he was a Special Agent in the Air Force Office of Special Investigations (AFOSI). His time as an agent included a deployment to Southwest Asia in 1996. Lieutenant Colonel Todd was then selected for the Funded Legal Education Program and attended Florida State University's College of Law. He earned his Juris Doctor degree and graduated *Magna Cum Laude* and Order of the Coif in 2001. He has twice served as a Judge Advocate at the installation level. He was also assigned to Headquarters AFOSI, where he was responsible for providing advice on numerous criminal and counterintelligence matters, including electronic surveillance and cyber investigations. From July 2008 to June 2010, he served at 8th Air Force where he provided advice on cyberspace operations and the law of armed conflict. Lieutenant Colonel Todd has also deployed twice as a staff judge advocate.

Lieutenant Colonel Todd is married to the former Pamela L. Poston of Columbia, SC. They have two daughters, Hunter and London.

## *Cyber Discovery Camp Gets National Attention*

Representatives from the Intelligence Community and the Department of Defense visited the Cyber Discovery Camp, which was held from May 31 to June 3 at Louisiana Tech University. They observed the students participating in hands-on labs and a cryptographic treasure hunt/cyber-crime race. This is the first time representatives from national-level agencies have come to one of our Cyber Camps and we were very pleased to get such high-level exposure.

## *Junior Cyber Discovery Camp*

This CIC-sponsored non-residential camp is for rising 7th graders at Elm Grove and Benton Middle Schools. For five days, students will discover virtual reality and artificial intelligence, create 3D models using professional engineering software, build specific models, and compete in challenges to earn points against other teams.

## *National Science Olympiad Results*

Congratulations to the team from St. John Berchmans Catholic School in Shreveport and coach Norma Waters for their hard work at the Science Olympiad National Tournament at the University of Wisconsin-Madison on May 22nd. The school earned a fourth place trophy in the Battery Buggy event in which a two-person team had to construct a vehicle using electrical energy as its sole means of propulsion, quickly travel a specified distance, and stop as close as possible to the center of the finish line. The school came in seventh place in the Ecology event where its team worked at stations that displayed a variety of earth science materials and answered questions relating to the tundra and taiga biomes. What a wonderful ending to a successful competition year!

## *Upcoming Events*

**July 11-16**

**Cyber Forensics Camp  
Northwestern State University**

**July 18-22**

**Junior Cyber Discovery Camp  
Parkway High School**

**July 19-22**

**Teacher Workshop: STEM Threads—Cyber  
Science  
Louisiana Tech University**

**August 2-5**

**Teacher Workshop: STEM Threads—Physics  
Louisiana Tech University**

**November 7-9**

**Air Force Global Strike Command Technology  
& Innovation Symposium  
Shreveport Convention Center**

**November 9**

**Monthly Member Breakfast**

**Please note that the Cyber Innovation Center  
will not host a member luncheon in July.  
Enjoy your summer!**

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