



## **June 19-21: AFCEA and U.S. Naval Institute Team Up For First Annual Transformation Warfare Conference and Expo**

*Focusing on the Future of the U.S. Military at the Virginia Beach Convention Center.*

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FAIRFAX, Va./EWorldWire/June 7, 2007 --- AFCEA and the U.S. Naval Institute bring the dialogue about the future of the U.S. military to Virginia Beach at the Transformation Warfare conference and exposition on June 19-21, 2007 at the Virginia Beach Convention Center. At Transformation Warfare, senior military leaders and defense industry experts will address the theme "Reconstituting and Reinventing the Force." The conference, which is expected to draw over 2,000 people, will cover hot issues facing the military including operational lessons learned, recruiting, training and retention, limited resources and acquisition reform. With over 120 exhibitors displaying communications, homeland security, information systems, biometric technologies and more, Transformation Warfare is the place for the community to learn about defense transformation.

The conference theme and panel session topics are based on input from operating forces. Speakers and panel participants will voice their different points of view and experiences with these issues, allowing attendees to benefit from their knowledge and candid discussion. Featured speakers include:

- . Gen. John Abizaid, USA (Ret.), former Commander, U.S. Central Command
- . Mr. Rob Carey, Department of the Navy Chief Information Officer
- . Gen. Ronald Keys, USAF, Commander, Air Combat Command
- . Mrs. Doro Bush Koch, Author, My Father, My President: A Personal Account of the Life of George H.W. Bush
- . Adm. Gary Roughead, USN, Commander, U.S. Fleet Forces Command
- . Lt. Gen. Keith Stalder, USMC, Commanding General, II Marine Expeditionary Force
- . Lt. Gen. John Wood, USA, Deputy Commander, U.S. Joint Forces Command

Five panel sessions will provide Transformation Warfare attendees opportunities to question experts one-on-one about the latest policy and technology issues. Topics include warfighters' needs, recruiting, training and retention limited resources versus high costs of war acquisition process reform and the future of legacy systems.

Co-located with Transformation Warfare is the Military Officers Association of America Military Spouse Symposium. This symposium is a one-day event bringing together military spouses of all services and generations and those who support military families for opportunities of networking and discussion. Panel discussions will include, Building Leadership in Military Spouses and Understanding Today's Generation of Military Spouses.

Transformation Warfare is open to the public and admission is free. Tickets are required for meals and separate registration is required for the Military Spouse Symposium. On-site registration is available beginning Monday, June 18. For details and a complete schedule of events please visit '<http://www.transwarfare.org>'.

AFCEA International, established in 1946, is a non-profit membership association serving the military, government, industry, and academia as an ethical forum for advancing professional knowledge and relationships in the fields of communications, IT, intelligence, and global security. For more information, visit

'<http://www.afcea.org>'.

The U.S. Naval Institute publishes the highly respected Proceedings and Naval History magazines as well as more than 900 professional books each year. Established in 1873, the professional membership association serves as the only independent forum that advances the understanding of sea power and other issues critical to national defense. For more information, visit '<http://www.usni.org>'.

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