

Fellow Flag & General Officers:

It's been a busy several weeks and we now are almost into October---- mark your calendar now for the TFGON last Quarterly Networking Reception of this year on 23 OCT---- further details below, or for those of you who are new, full details on our website at www.TFGON.org then click on Calendar on the LH side of the homepage.

TFGON's role as the generally accepted communications center for retired flag and general officers of all 5 branches of service grows with each passing month and that's GREAT, because providing an ability for us to communicate with each other was one of the original purposes for which TFGON was founded some 21 years ago. It means that now all retired flag and general officers have a comms system and medium to let ALL flag and general officers know about events and issues of mutual interest. And now it's time once again to get some new portions of that word out on a broad range of matters and events that have arrived at TFGON HQ and need to be circulated to our membership so that we are all up-to-speed on these matters. That information follows below:

1. TFGON's Quarterly Networking Reception 23 OCT--- call for RSVP's

2. TFGON's 2nd Traunch of additions to the TSA PreCheck airport security program for retired military Flag & General Officers

3. 9th Annual TIDES Technology Demonstration agenda for 6-9 OCT on the grounds of National Defense University at Fort McNair in Washington, DC

4. Stradley Ronon Corporate Directors and Officers Academy for Flag & General Officers on track for next week: 6-7 OCT in Washington, DC

5. Retired DOD ID Card Replacement Information for those cards issued 2010 and prior

6. DARPA Tech Forum earlier this month previewed National Security Future

1. TFGON's Quarterly Networking Reception 23 OCT--- call for RSVP's: We're using this newsletter to transmit our 1st call for RSVP's for

our final Quarterly Networking Reception of 2015 from 6-8 pm on 23 OCT at the Capitol Hill Club. If you plan on attending, please hit reply and so indicate, providing us with your name, military rank, current employer and title [for inclusion on the RSVP list], and the name of your spouse if accompanying you? Non-attendance RSVP's are not desired. Any ?'s, just hit reply and ask. Do your active duty flag and general officer friends who are nearing retirement a favor and send them an e-mail inviting them to attend. They WILL thank you for it.

2. TFGON's 2nd Tranche of additions to the TSA PreCheck airport security program for retired military Flag & General Officers: We sent our 1st list of applicants to this new TFGON program to TSA for approval over a month ago---- it was approved by TSA in less than a week and the program is now in place and well underway and working exceptionally well. Plus new applicants have been coming in at a brisk pace to the degree that we plan on sending our 2nd list to TSA for approval earlier than scheduled. As such, all those who applied for this program between 29 AUG and tomorrow, 30 SEPT, will be forwarded to TSA for approval on Thursday, 1 OCT and we will advise the membership via e-mail when this 2nd list has been approved by TSA. All new applicants beginning 1 OCT will be added to our 3rd list which will be planned for submission to TSA mid-NOV.

3. 9th Annual TIDES Technology Demonstration agenda for 6-9 OCT on the grounds of National Defense University at Fort McNair in Washington, DC

We've sent information on this event in previous TFGON newsletters, with the following being an update of the agenda and a list of some of the scheduled speakers, now that the event is a week away. For further information on TIDES, including an archive of their newsletters, their website URL is www.star-tides.net You can also join their network, which is free, through their website---- it's a great way to stay up-to-speed on some of the new and innovative research going on worldwide, and their linkage to National Defense University also provides insight and information to many of NDU's programs that are of interest to TFGON members. For those TFGON members in DC attending the Stradley Ronon Corporate Directors & Officers Academy for Flag & General Officers on 6-7 OCT, you might want to consider extending your time in DC in order to attend at least one day of this year's TIDES exhibits at Fort McNair. Also feel free to forward the following information to those of your friends and colleagues that might have interest, as these events are free and open to the public.

Building Resilience: Preparing for Natural and Man-Made Disasters

The agenda is set for the [9th Annual TIDES Technology Demonstration](#), which is shaping up to be bigger and better than we originally envisioned! The theme of this year's demo is "Building Resilience: Preparing for Natural and Man-Made Disasters." The event will take place 6-9 October at Fort Lesley J. McNair in Washington, D.C. The event is free and open to the general public.

More than 50 exhibitors have signed-up to showcase low-cost technology solutions in the areas of: 1) power, 2) shelter, 3) water, 4) integrated combustion and solar cooking, 5) cooling/heating, 6) lighting, 7) sanitation, 8) information & communications technologies (ICT), 9) life support, and 10) logistics. [Click here](#) to see the 2015 exhibitor list!

In addition to the technology demonstration, the event includes a daily lunchtime speaker series and facilitated discussions in the morning and afternoon. We have an impressive lineup of speakers for #TIDESDemo15 that includes:

- Lt. Gen. Robert R. Allardice (USAF retired), Founder and Chairman of Allardice Enterprises, Inc.
- Colonel Jim Caley, Director, Expeditionary Energy Office, US Marine Corps
- Dr. Walter Dorn, Professor of Defence Studies, Canadian Forces College
- Dr. Eric Rasmussen, CEO, Infinitum Humanitarian Systems
- Dr. Sheldon Himelfarb, President and CEO of the Peace Tech Lab
- Dr. Linton Wells II, Founder, STAR-TIDES
- Mr. Neal Anderson, NORAD and USNORTHCOM, Senior Advisor to the Department of Homeland Security
- Ms. Alexis Bonnell, Division Chief: Applied Innovation and Acceleration, US Global Development Lab, USAID
- Mr. Doug Hanchard, President, Rapid Response Consulting

If you haven't already done so [click here](#) to register or visit: <https://tidesdemo15.eventbrite.com>

For more information on what TIDES does and what the 2015 Demo will be like please click the links below. If you would like to exhibit at the TIDES Demo please remember to register as an EXHIBITOR (Note: Exhibitor registration closes on September 23rd 2015)

[TIDES Frequently Asked Questions](#)

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If you have questions about the event please contact me at [202-685-7284](tel:202-685-7284) or via email Star.tides.net@gmail.com. Look forward to seeing you in October!

Please feel free to share this announcement!

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4. Stradley Ronon Corporate Directors and Officers Academy for Flag & General Officers on track for next week: 6-7 OCT in Washington, DC:

This outstanding 2-day event, almost a full year in planning, is now ready for launch next week, compliments of the Stradley Ronon law firm offering this special program focused on retired/retiring military flag and general officers who are TFGON members. Stradley Ronon specializes in corporate law and matters impacting upon corporate directors and officers, and TFGON is indeed fortunate to have this program and their expertise made available to us by the firm in recognition of our 30+ years of Senior Executive Leadership in the U.S. Armed Forces. The program has proven hugely popular with the TFGON membership as evidenced by the fact that it was "sold out" just 4 days after it was announced. For those of you attending, you should have already received your "advance reading package" in the mail by now, and for those of you who were unable to attend this 1st session of the Academy, we spoke with Jeff McFaddon of Stradley Ronon last week who indicated that once this 1st session is completed and they have implemented lessons-learned, etc., another session will be scheduled for 2016. Details to follow on that opportunity once Stradley Ronon has structured all the details, logistics, and systemics. Very special thanks to the patriots at Stradley Ronon who are making this opportunity possible for our TFGON members. For those of you attending, please take a minute during the 2 days to personally thanks Jeff McFaddon, the Partner at Stradley Ronon who has taken to lead to make this

program happen. Jeff is a USNA Grad who did 4 years of active duty on guided missile cruisers.

5. Retired DOD ID Card Replacement Information for those cards issued

2010 and prior: TFGON has been receiving a significant increase in the number of queries from our membership on this topic, so we've delved into it and are forwarding this info to you FYI and for your action if it applies to you. For TFGON members, this has special application, given we tied the Known Traveler Number required for our TSA PreCheck airport security program to this number on your retired DOD ID Card. Bottom line is that for those of you whose ID card was issued 2010 and before, we recommend that you take the time to get your card reissued, then if you are in TFGON's TSA PreCheck Program, just let us know via e-mail of your new ID card number and we'll get that changed with TSA so you can use it as your KTN.

This effort relates to having your Social Security Number on your retired DOD ID Card. Cards issued 2010 and before had your SSN on the face of that card. For security and privacy and "other issues", DOD decided to discontinue using your SSN on their ID Cards and thus retired DOD ID Cards issued 2011 and after show an "ID Card Identification Number" on the face of the ID Card where the SSN used to be. Further info on all this at the following URL's:

http://www.tricare.mil/~media/Files/TRICARE/Publications/PubsNotOnPubsPage/SSN_Removal_Brochure_DMDC.pdf

<http://www.tricare.mil/SSN>

Note that the above URL's are dated and advise to replace your ID 30 days prior to it's expiration. Our TFGON members who have already replaced their old ID Cards advise us that you do NOT need to wait until within 30 days of the card expiring and the ID Card issuing facilities will replace these old ID Cards no matter when they expire.

There are more than 1,500 ID card centers worldwide. To find the nearest center, visit the RAPIDS site locator

at www.dmdc.osd.mil/rsl/owa/home Applicants must present two forms of identification and one must be an unexpired federal- or state-issued photo ID. You may get a msg saying this URL has expired, but just wait and the website will take you to the website page that you need to find the ID card issuance center nearest you.

6. DARPA Tech Forum earlier this month previewed National Security Future: The Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency's "Wait, What?" Future Technology Forum

wrapped up earlier this month with a remembrance of those who died on 9-11 and presentations covering the leading edges of everything from extraterrestrial life and cold molecules to lighting up the living brain. More than 1,400 scientists and engineers engaged on those and many other topics during the sold-out Sept 9-11 forum. Writing in the Wait, What? activity feed, one attendee likened it to the best science fair ever, on steroids. More than a few said it was the best meeting they'd ever attended. DARPA Director Arati Prabhakar told the audience on the forum's first day that the ultimate goal of the forum---- in line with DARPA's mission---- "is to make the pivotal early investments in breakthrough technologies to create huge new possibilities for national security". Further details at the URL below:

[DARPA Tech Forum Previews National Security Future](#)

This completes this TFGON newsletter effort for 9-29-2015. We're looking forward to seeing everyone at our final Quarterly Networking Reception for this year on OCT 23rd. TFGON's Board of Directors will be meeting shortly before our reception for it's annual meeting, to hold election of officers and board members and confirmation of appointed positions, and to address such other matters as come before the board. We look forward to announcing the results of the election at the Networking Reception following.

With all good wishes,

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