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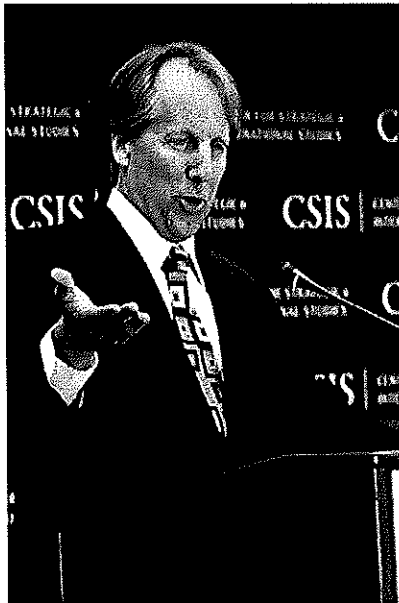# Speaking

Rod Beckstrom is a well-known cyber security expert, Internet leader and authority on organizational leadership and social networking. He is the former President and CEO of ICANN, the global organization that help keeps the Internet secure, stable and unified, and was the founding Director of the U.S. Government's National Cybersecurity Center. He is co-author of the critically acclaimed book *The Starfish and the Spider: The Unstoppable Power of Leaderless Organizations*, which has been translated into 16 languages, and is a frequent international media commentator and public speaker.

A preeminent thinker on technology issues, Rod was named one of *PC World's* "Puppet Masters of the Internet" in April 2012 and included in "2012's Digital Power 50" by *The Hollywood Reporter*. In 2011 he was named a "Tech Titan" by The *Washingtonian magazine*, and in 2010, one of the "25 Most Influential People in Intellectual Property" by the *American Lawyer*. He is currently Vice Chairman of the Global Council on the Future of the Internet at the Swiss-based World Economic Forum.

As a much sought-after expert, Rod has spoken at high-profile events for a wide range of organizations in more than forty countries, including Google, Microsoft, eBay, Infosys Technologies, Black Hat, DEFCON, RSA, U.S. STRATCOMM, GITEX Dubai Leaders' Summit, Futurecom Latin America Infosys, CIO Magazine Leadership Summit, Morgan Stanley, Starbucks, TED, the Monaco Media Forum, Sogeti Consulting, The Hay Group, American Organization of Nurse Executives, United Business Media Group, the White House, the United Nations, the World Economic Forum at Davos, the Aspen Institute, Harvard University, Stanford University and the Center for Strategic International Studies and numerous YPO, EO, WPO events around the global.

Rod's most requested keynote topics. If you have a special request regarding Rod speaking at your next event, please don't hesitate to contact us.

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**International Legal Technology Association keynote address**

**Preparing for Cyber Armageddon:** What are the Threats and How Can Your Company Protect Itself?

**Starfish and Spiders, Conservatives and Terrorists:** How Leaderless Organizations Are Changing the World

**From Hummingbird Drones to Smartphone Cars:** How Will New Internet Technologies Affect Your Bottom Line?

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You International Legal Technology Association

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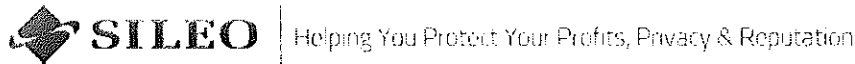
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Attackers

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Commander, U.S. Cyber Command (2010-2014) and Director, National Security Agency/Chief, Central Security Service (2005-2014)

Types: Male, Military Service

**Bio Info**

*A four-star Army general and the highest-ranked military official of U.S. Cyber Command, the National Security Agency and the Central Security Service, General Keith B. Alexander has played a pivotal role in securing our safety at home and abroad for the past decade.*

**Speeches**

A Road Map to Freedom: The Strategy of Effective Cyber Security

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### Tony Blair

Prime Minister, Great Britain and Northern Ireland (1997-2007)

Types: Author, Former Head of State, Male, University Professor

**Bio Info**

*One of the most respected and admired world leaders in the last 50 years, Tony Blair offers an unparalleled analysis of the world's most difficult and complex issues.*

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Conversation with Tony Blair

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Meet Tony Blair

Topics: Africa, Asia, China, Cyber Security, Emerging Markets, Energy - Alternative & Technology, Environmental Issues, Europe, Foreign Policy - U.S., Global Economy, Global Trade, Human Rights, Jewish Interests, Latin America, Leadership, Middle East, Overcoming Obstacles and Challenges, Religion, Terrorism

### Gordon Brown

Prime Minister of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (2007-2010) and Chancellor of the Exchequer (1997-2007); United Nations Special Envoy for Global Education; and Chair, Global Strategic Infrastructure Initiative, World Economic Forum

Types: Author, Economist, Former Head of State, Male, TED

**Bio Info**

*An admired leader through momentous times, Gordon Brown shares with audiences his insights on events facing our world today, including the role massive technological, demographic, social and political forces and the explosive growth of a global middle class will play in reinventing our world over the next ten years.*

**Speeches**

Our World Today and Tomorrow

2025: Shaping a New Future

Topics: Achievement, Africa, American Politics, Asia, Big Data, Business Growth/Strategy/Trends, Change: Living with It, Change: Managing/Leading It, Children's Issues, China, Crisis Management, Current Events, Cyber Security, Economic Forecast, Education,

Election Forecast/Analysis, Emerging Markets, Ethics, Europe, Financial Markets, Fiscal Policy, Foreign Policy - U.S., Global Economy, Global Health, Health Care Economics and News, Health Care Policy, Human Rights, Infrastructure, Innovation, Jewish Interests, Latin America, Leadership, Middle East, National Security, Negotiation, Overcoming Obstacles and Challenges, Risk Management, Terrorism
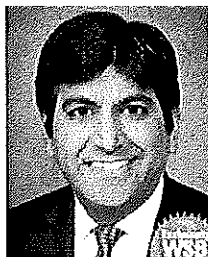
## Aneesh Chopra

Visionary Technology Thought Leader, Chief Technology Officer of the United States (2009-2012) and Author

Types: Futurist, Male, Top Executives

### Bio Info

*Appointed as the first Chief Technology Officer of the United States, Aneesh Chopra clearly outlines ways technology can spur innovation, strengthen America's competitiveness in the world and solve the vexing problems facing the domains of health care, education and energy*

### Speeches

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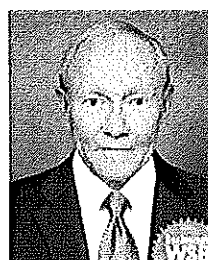
### Videos

Meet Aneesh Chopra

Building a 21st Century Curriculum

Innovative State: How New Technologies Can Transform Government

Topics: Big Data, Business Growth/Strategy/Trends, Change, Managing/Leading It, Cyber Security, Education, Energy - Alternative & Technology, Health Care Science, Information Technology, Innovation, Leadership

## Gen. Martin E. Dempsey, U.S. Army, Retired

Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff (2011-2015); Chief of Staff, U.S. Army (2011); Currently Professor at Duke University's Fuqua School of Business and Sanford School of Public Policy

Types: Male, Military Service

### Bio Info

*In his engaging and dynamic presentations, recognized leadership expert General Martin Dempsey offers his thoughts on security in a rapidly changing world, capturing innovation while operating in complexity, and the global challenges facing America both today and tomorrow*

### Speeches

Cyber: New Threats in a World Driven by Rapid and Profound Change

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Diversity, Democracy and Great Leadership Under Scrutiny

Recognizing the Need to Change Strategies

Topics: Achievement, Africa, Asia, Business Growth/Strategy/Trends, Change, Managing/Leading It, China, Communication Skills, Corporate Culture, Corporate Governance, Courage, Crisis Management, Current Events, Cyber Security, Emerging Markets, Ethics, Europe, Foreign Policy - U.S., Global Economy, Global Trade, Information Technology, Innovation, Latin America, Leadership, Middle East, Motivation, National Security, Negotiation, Overcoming Obstacles and Challenges, Peak Performance, Risk Management, Teamwork, Terrorism, Workforce Issues

## Robert Gates

Secretary of Defense (2006-2011); Author, *New York Times* Best-Seller, *DUTY: Memoirs of a Secretary at War* and *A Passion for Leadership*

Types: Author, Male, Military Service, Top Executives, University Professor

### Bio Info

*One of the most respected leaders in recent U.S. history, Robert Gates served eight U.S. presidents, influencing U.S. intelligence and defense policies over the past four and a half decades from the Cold War to today's ongoing war on terrorism*

### Speeches

Remarks by Robert Gates

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Global Cyber Security

Behind the Scenes in Washington and Hopes for the Future

Looking at Government Acquisition and Sequestration

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Regulation, Innovation, Inspiring Lives, Jewish Interests, Latin America, Leadership, Middle East, Motivation, National Security, Negotiation, Overcoming Obstacles and Challenges, Patriotism, Peak Performance, Risk Management, Teamwork, Terrorism, Workforce Issues

## Julius Genachowski

Federal Communications Commission Chairman (2009-2013) and Respected Internet and Media Executive

Types: Entrepreneur, Male, Top Executives

### Bio Info

*A visionary whose leadership has helped revolutionize the world of communications and media, Julius Genachowski looks to the future of technology—and how disruptive innovations in the U.S and abroad will drive the economy forward*
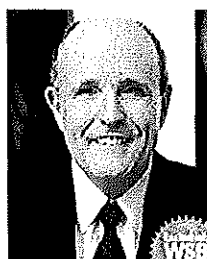
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A Conversation with Julius Genachowski - 08/08/2013

Topics: Big Data, Business Growth/Strategy/Trends, Change Managing/Leading It, China, Cyber Security, Education, Global Economy, Government Regulation, Information Technology, Innovation, Jewish Interests, Leadership, Middle East, Social Media/New Media

## Rudy Giuliani

One of the World's Most Respected Leaders; 107th Mayor of New York City; *TIME* Magazine "Person of the Year"; Partner, Giuliani Partners

Types: Author, Hero, Male

### Bio Info

*Rudy Giuliani – the chief executive of the largest city in the U.S, who much of the world turned to in a time of crisis, shares his unparalleled insights on leadership, courage and the most pressing issues of our time*

### Speeches

How Geopolitical Events Will Affect Your Company's Future – And What Every Company Must Know

Crisis Management in the Age of Cyber Warfare

### Videos

Meet Rudy Giuliani

Topics: American Politics, Change, Living with It, Change Managing/Leading It, Crisis Management, Cyber Security, Foreign Policy - U.S, Global Economy, Health Care Policy, Leadership

## Chuck Hagel

U.S. Secretary of Defense (2013-2015), U.S. Senator (1997-2009); Former Chairman, Atlantic Council, President's Intelligence Advisory Board (2009-2012); Former Member, The Systemic Risk Council; Distinguished Professor, Georgetown University; and Co-founder, Vanguard Cellular Systems, Inc.

Types: Author, Entrepreneur, Male, Military Service, University Professor

### Bio Info

*A true patriotic, bipartisan voice, Chuck Hagel has never shied away from speaking his mind and doing what is right in the face of doing what is politically expedient. He discusses with audiences a wide variety of domestic and global issues facing the world today*

### Speeches

Conversation with Chuck Hagel

Topics: Achievement, Africa, American Politics, Asia, Change, Managing/Leading It, China, Crisis Management, Current Events, Cyber Security, Disaster Preparedness, Diversity, Education, Europe, Fiscal Policy, Foreign Policy - U.S, Global Economy, Government Regulation, Health Care Policy, Human Resource Issues, Human Rights, Infrastructure, Latin America, Leadership, Middle East, National Security, Negotiation, Overcoming Obstacles and Challenges, Patriotism, Risk Management, Teamwork, Terrorism, Workforce Issues

## Eric H. Holder, Jr.

82nd Attorney General of the United States (2009-2015); Partner, Covington & Burling LLP

Types: Male

### Bio Info

*One of the most widely discussed political figures in America today, Eric Holder has been at the intersection of the law and public policy for over 30 years. As the nation's first African-American Attorney General and a leading progressive voice, he has been instrumental in shaping the direction of the United States on a number of critical issues*

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## Top Speakers on Cyber Security

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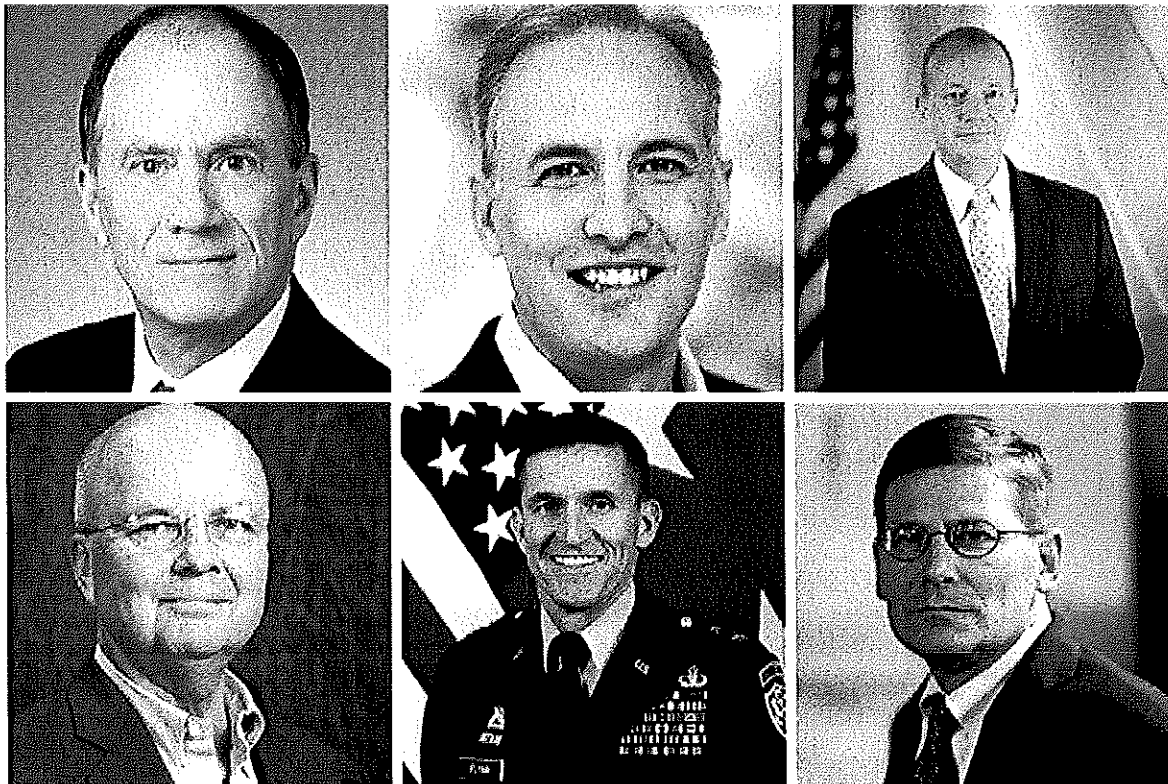


In the wake of recent hacks and the national attention cyber security has been getting, I've had many clients ask me for speaker recommendations on understanding the threats and what they should be doing to protect themselves online. I thought you might be interested in my list:

Matt
Olsen is the former director of the National Counterterrorism Center and a former top official at the NSA and

the Justice Department. He discusses the myriad cyber threats companies face and the government's capabilities and limitations, as well as ways organizations can protect themselves.

General
Michael Hayden served as the director of both the CIA and the NSA. He looks at the differences between physical and cyber security – monitoring what's going out (cyber) versus what's coming in (physical), balancing protection with privacy, and how the private sector can help.

Lieutenant
General Michael Flynn is the former head of the Defense Intelligence Agency. He discusses the strategic and technical aspects of cyber security, outlines our capacity and capability challenges, and discusses what organizations should do when they see a breach.

Michael
Morell is the former deputy director – and twice acting director – of the CIA He focuses on the data security, corporate espionage, and intellectual property hot spots around the world, believing our national security is more dependent on our economic strength than anything else.

Joel
Brenner is our nation's former national counterintelligence (CI) executive and the author of *America the Vulnerable*. He shares a practical approach to this complex issue – decide what you must protect, segment network access, define the network, and make someone responsible for it.

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> Kara McElwrath – Assistant Director of Client Services, IT Services, University of Illinois Springfield

> David A. Ford – Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation

**Keynote Presentation - Cyber Response in the Private Sector - What Should We Be Worrying About?**

This presentation will focus on current and future security issues facing the private sector from a "Cyber-Response Perspective". Coming to the realization that we can no longer prevent (Prevention) an attack, we must get much better at detecting (Detection) and remediating (Response). The presenter will discuss the key factors to consider when putting together a Detection and Response Team. These "key factors" include team makeup, tools (traditional and non-traditional), remediation plans, and several others. We will also explore how "moving to the cloud" and Personally Owned Devices (POD) are creating more security challenges for companies both from a response perspective and a risk perspective.

**Todd Wagner, CISSP, Electronic Investigations and Forensics Manager, Caterpillar, Inc.**

**Morning Plenary Session - Finding Information in a Web of Imagery**

The world is observed by an enormous collection of cameras --- webcams, satellites and cell-phones. Over the last decade, I have been building tools to characterize, index, and calibrate imagery available on the Internet. I will talk about our success in building 3D models of scene locations, describing how people use public spaces, documenting environmental changes, and, most recently, pinpointing the location of a "lost" grave from photos of the funeral, allowing the St Louis Police department to re-open a 30 year old cold case.

**Robert Pless, PhD, Professor of Computer Science, Washington University**

**Afternoon Plenary Session - Protecting Your Data in the Public Cloud**

The shift to cloud computing provides an organization with the ability to focus on its core value proposition and allows for far greater flexibility and capital cost reductions. This shift often changes the way that organizations operate, and presents unique challenges to information security professionals.

The inherent flexibility in cloud computing allows an organization to move data, and applications to a cloud provider. The fact that such an organization no longer houses data and related functions in its own physical structure leads to the concerns about data integrity, data security, and legal requirements. In this talk we will explore what you can do to mitigate your risk for your business as well as what can be done to protect your own personal data.

**Brian Lewis, IT Pro Evangelist, Microsoft Corporation**

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### Sensible Approach to BYOD

We are talking about the single greatest evolution that IT is challenged with these days. It is a transformation of not only the device types, but who owns the devices, who manages the devices, who supports the devices. BYOD encompasses smartphones, tablets, as well as any portable device now that has computing power (wrist watches, google glass, etc). And it is not just about the devices, it is also about the software and services that employees want to use -- cloud services and other tools on the web and how we approach the plan to manage them and protect your data.

**Tony Hausmann, Sr. Account Manager, The Newberry Group**

### Digital Forensics: Open Hands-on Lab

Open lab session with hands-on exposure to digital forensics tools. Join us in exploring the deepest recesses of today's systems using forensics tools, such as memory forensic tools. No previous experience required. All levels welcome to attend.

**Frank Fuchs, Certified Forensics Investigator, Instructor, University of Illinois Springfield**

### Remembering the Basics

With today's exploits becoming more and more sophisticated and the specter of compromise becoming more and more real, every once in a while we need to step back and review the basics of security. In this session, William Nicholl of State Farm will facilitate an open discussion of security basics that need to be kept in the forefront of our efforts and implementations. The audience is encouraged to share their views of security basics and how these basics can be put into practice in our varying environments.

**William Nicholl, State Farm Insurance Company**

### Things to Know About the NSA, FISA, and Section 215 that The Guardian (UK) Won't Tell You

Recent reporting over NSA Surveillance has been described as "noise", "more heat than light", and "sensational". Are there better ways of talking about the issues?

Is there a more balanced view that still recognizes Fourth Amendment conflict with compelling government interest, but does not sound like a witch hunt?

We take some time to look at what might be the real issues and what might be productive language to use when discussing the recent "revelations" and the programs they refer to. The issues at stake are certainly important and deserve public attention based on a comprehensive view.

**Ronald P. Loui, PhD, Assistant Professor of Computer Science, University of Illinois Springfield**

### Illusions of Privacy

Understanding the distribution of one's personal information via social networking and open source techniques.

**Stephanie Wright, Special Agent, Cybercrime Investigator, Federal Bureau of Investigation**
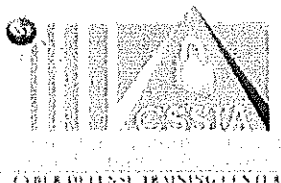
**Frank Fuchs, Instructor, University of Illinois Springfield**

Frank Fuchs is a certified computer forensics investigator and an instructor for the University of Illinois Springfield. He currently develops and teaches digital forensic courses at the undergraduate level for the computer science department.

Frank has over 28 years of experience with the Illinois State Police. In 1998, he assisted in the development of an Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force where he worked as a liaison for federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies. He has over fifteen years of experience working as a crime scene and evidence recovery specialist for the Divisions of Internal Investigations and Operations. He has performed hundreds casework examinations and analysis involving digital equipment such as computers, networks, cell phones and video surveillance equipment. Frank was also responsible for overseeing the Criminal Justice Information Systems Triennial Federal Audit before retiring from Agency In 2012.

During his time with the Illinois State Police, Frank has earned several forensic software and investigative certifications which include the EnCase Certified Examiner (EnCE); Computer Forensics Certified Examiner (CFCE); Certified NetWare Engineer (CNE); and Microsoft A+ Certifications

Most recently, in 2013, Frank has joined the faculty of the University of Illinois Springfield where he teaches digital forensic courses. He applies his information technology, investigative and network security experience to help students learn the profession of digital forensics and crime scene techniques.

**Tony Hausmann, Sr. Account Manager, The Newberry Group**

Tony is a Senior Account Manager with The Newberry Group where he specializes in identifying Information Assurance Solutions to solve the Cyber Security challenges faced by large and medium-sized corporations and government agencies. After a lackluster career as an actor, Tony began his IT career in the IT Training Industry in the 1990's and was a regular speaker on the IT Training Conference circuit. Tony joined the Newberry Group in 2007 to provide business development and proposal writing to the firms burgeoning Federal and Commercial Consulting business.

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**Lance James, Head of Cyber Intelligence, Deloitte**

Author of "Phishing Exposed" and a co-author to "Emerging Threat Analysis", has been heavily involved with the information security community for more than 15 years. With over a decade of experience with programming, network security, digital forensics, malware research, cryptography design & cryptanalysis, attacking protocols and a detailed expertise in information security, Lance has provided consultation to numerous businesses ranging from small start-ups, governments, both national and international, as well as Fortune 500's and America's top financial institutions. He has spent the last few years devising techniques to prevent, track, and detect phishing and malware attacks. He is an advisory board member of the Digital PhishNet (a Microsoft/NCFTA organization) and the Centre for Strategic Cyberspace + Security Science (CSCSS.org), creator of InvisibleNet (IIP/I2P), a prominent member of the local 2600 and InfraGard chapters, and a Co-Founder of Secure Science Corporation. Lance is currently Head of Cyber Intelligence at Deloitte, and is actively engaged with two book projects, "The Threat Intelligence Handbook" (No Starch Press) and "Hacking Back: Offensive Cyber Counterintelligence" (Mcgraw-Hill) slated for Summer 2014.

As a regular speaker at numerous security conferences and being a consistent source of information by various news organizations, Lance James is recognized as a major asset in the information security community.

**Brian Lewis, IT Pro Evangelist, Microsoft Corporation**

Brian Lewis works as an IT Pro Evangelist for Microsoft Corporation in the Midwest, where he focuses on the IT Pro audience in Illinois, Indiana, and Wisconsin. He is very passionate about technology and has over 18 years of enterprise IT experience.

Brian received his Bachelors degree in Management of Information Systems from the University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee. One of Brian's passions is computer security and he holds the Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP) certification among other computer industry certifications.

Brian enjoys working with all computer and networking technologies. He enjoys everything from programming and scripting to working with all types of infrastructure. There just isn't a technology that isn't interesting to him. Brian enjoys several hobbies outside of computers including rock climbing, trail biking, and swimming.

**Ronald P. Loui, PhD, Assistant Professor of Computer Science, University of Illinois Springfield**

Ronald P. Loui, PhD, is an Assistant Professor of Computer Science at the University of Illinois Springfield. He was formerly a tenured professor at Washington University in St. Louis in artificial intelligence and law.

After 9/11, he worked on datamining projects descended from DARPA's TIA, for SAIC, ARDA, IARPA, and DTO in cooperation with the NSA and AFOSR.

He was an original member of the HARVARD INTERNATIONAL REVIEW Military and Technology Section. At the University of Illinois Springfield, he conducts graduate readings seminars in cyberwarfare and in computer surveillance

**Kara McElwrath, Assistant Director of Client Services, Information Technology Services, University of Illinois Springfield**

Kara McElwrath is the Assistant Director of Client Services in the Information Technology Services Department at UIS. She has a rich background in both technology and education, beginning her career as a public school teacher and then moving into corporate training and consulting before coming to UIS in 2007.

**William Nicholl, State Farm Insurance Company**

William Nicholl (Bill) has been working for State Farm out of Bloomington, IL since 2006. Currently, he's the Team Lead for MS Security (Microsoft Security) and Active Directory (AD), both assignments at the Problem Management level. Prior to joining State Farm, Bill worked as a Security Engineer for an Air Force Global Deployment program out of Scott Air Force Base, was a freelance Microsoft Certified Trainer (MCT) specializing in Network Infrastructure, AD design and maintenance, and Security, and worked as a freelance technical writer.

**Robert Pless, PhD, Professor of Computer Science, Washington University**

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