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July 2008

BDPA-DC's next event following last month's regional meeting will be BDPA's National Technology Conference in Atlanta, Georgia, from August 6 to August 9, 2008. New members and prospective interns are welcomed. Current BDPA members are invited to take full advantage of next month's Conference agenda and special events, including organizational discounts toward professional training and industry networking opportunities. No BDPA DC Chapter activities are planned for July 2008 with the exception of HSCC training and HSCC fund-raising. Local businesses are encouraged to support BDPA's HSCC teams. Our corporate and individual contributions lead to greater opportunities for area youth.

For more details on these and other events, see **HSCC** on page 6 and visit: [www.bdpatoday.org](http://www.bdpatoday.org)  
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## NASA Continues Its 50-Year Celebration – Gala Set For September

### NASA@50: Exploring for Answers, Powering Our Future



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### NASA Announces Education Television Partnership with NIA

**Chantilly, VA**—The American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) is the world's largest technical society devoted to the global aerospace community. For this community, the NASA 50th Anniversary Celebration represents an opportunity to celebrate the power of inspiration, innovation, and discovery. AIAA, NASA and other partners in the aerospace community, are looking forward to toasting NASA's milestone moments and hearing more about the plans for the future. A formal program will recognize NASA personnel and programs

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**Washington**—In Congress, both the House and Senate are not in session during the first week of this month for 4th of July recess. Most members of Congress are headed home to revisit their respective districts and begin their quests for re-election. This period also marks the beginning and introduction of new multimedia campaigns and Internet strategies for candidates seeking office. This year is no exception; the number of districts considered competitive in a General Election steadily is growing. To review local [BDPA-DC] Congressional Districts, see [BDPA Government Relations](#) on **pages 12 and 13.**



In next month's **Special Report**, [bdpatoday](#) presents: "The Staffers"



### NASA from Cover Page

on September 24, 2008, in Chantilly, Virginia. A reception and dinner buffet will not be open to the public; however, tickets are coordinated through AIAA.

In May, NASA Deputy Administrator Shana Dale announced the launch of NASA Education TV (NASA eTV), a partnership with the National Institute of Aerospace (NIA) in Hampton, Virginia to produce new educational television programs for distribution on NASA Television and the Internet. The announcement was part of Dale's keynote address at the NASA Future Forum in San Jose, Calif., where NASA and California leaders are meeting to discuss how space exploration benefits Silicon Valley, the state of California and the nation through discovery, innovation and inspiration.

NASA eTV aims to engage young people in the excitement and challenges the future holds for America's space program. Designed for grades K-12 and young adults, the short video snippets will be available on demand through the Internet during the 2008 and 2009 school years. This will allow teachers unlimited options in the timing, sequence and pacing of the video content for greater instructional flow control. "We realize that to sustain U.S. economic competitiveness, it is imperative that students have a solid educational foundation to be prepared for professional careers in the technologically complex 21st century," said Robert Lindberg, NIA's president and executive director. "Working jointly with NASA, NIA has developed a comprehensive approach to producing visual media that teachers will find easier to integrate into their classroom instruction."

Each NASA eTV program will consist of 5- to 10-minute video segments designed to meet identified teacher needs. The elementary school-level segments will provide a balanced introduction to the fields of science and engineering and be aligned to national education standards. The middle school-level segments will be aligned with mathematics learning standards and the relevance of math to 21st century careers. The high school-level segments will build on the engineering and science behind NASA projects and missions. The general public programs will be aimed at the 18- to 34-year-old audience and focus on the impact of space exploration, scientific discovery, aeronautics research and NASA-derived technologies on society.

Other NASA forum participants included Ames Director S. Pete Worden, astronaut Rex Walheim, who just returned to Earth from a mission to deliver the European Space Agency's Columbus Laboratory to the International Space Station, Assistant Administrator for Education Joyce Winterton, and James Norman, director of the Constellation Systems Division in NASA's Exploration Systems Mission Directorate in Washington, D.C.

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**Las Vegas, NV**—JEF student participants from BDPA's Mid-Atlantic Region participated in advanced computing competitions during the third annual TeraGrid conference, which encourages young people to enter careers in high-performance computing (HPC), scientific visualization, and grid computing. Cadeal Chase [Baltimore], third from left, Bryan Bemley [Washington], fifth from left, stands with Frederick Smith, III [Northern Delaware], fourth from right and Dr. Jesse Bemley [JEF], second from right.

## HSCC Scholarships

**Atlanta**—This year, BDPA's national High School Computer Competition (HSCC) will be held in Atlanta, Georgia during the **National BDPA Technology Conference, August 6-9, 2008**. Final competition teams selected to represent Washington, DC and Northern Virginia will be made up of three to five students each. However, remaining students will be eligible to participate in BDPA's annual Youth Technology Camp (YTC) during the Conference. Competition teams also will enjoy an all expenses paid

trip to the National BDPA Technology Conference. All students will be allowed to participate in the Student Youth Technology Camp and all other planned student activities. The competition team will compete with other BDPA chapter teams throughout the United States developing web applications, mastering computer theory, conducting oral presentations and publishing their team's deliverables during written competition. The top five (5) teams will win college scholarships, computer hardware and software. NBDPA likely will extend

awards to the top six (6) teams in 2008 due to increased participation in BDPA Regional HSCC events. BDPA student members and HSCC students will be afforded an opportunity to participate or attend next year's **TeraGrid '09 Conference** in Washington, D.C. and the **Supercomputing 2008 (SC08) Expo** later this year in Austin, TX. Student memberships also are available to interested students at a very nominal annual fee of \$15 for full time high school, community college, vocational school, 4-year college or university attendees. **BDPA's National HSCC and IT Showcase, begins Wednesday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2008.**

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### Did You Know?



The first NASA astronaut and NNOA Member to make a presentation to BDPA was Colonel Charles F. Bolden, Jr., U.S. Marine Corps, during BDPA's 12<sup>th</sup> National Conference in Washington, D.C. In 1990, COL. Bolden presented actual footage of his mission to BDPA members and guests shortly after serving as pilot on the crew of STS-31. During this mission, Space Shuttle Discovery deployed the Hubble Telescope in April of 1990. He retired with the rank of Major General from active duty after a very successful 34-year military career as an attack pilot, a test pilot, and astronaut.

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## NNOA Members Lend Support To Regional HSCC at Bowie State

### Marine Corps Systems Command: A Few Good 'Infocentric' Volunteers

Captain Cory Holiday (right) and Captain Melisa Chestnut (second from the right) from Marine Corps Systems Command in Quantico, Virginia, join Charles Britt (third from the right) as part of a support team of industry judges and timers monitoring question and answer segments during BDPA's Regional High School Computer Competition (HSCC) at Bowie State University (BSU.) Students were challenged with responding to questions originating from Information, Communications, and Technology (ICT) industries, BDPA trivia, Black History, and related technological and systems engineering milestones. Captains Chestnut and Holiday joined Captain NaTasha McEachin as supporting team members from the National Naval Officers Association (NNOA) "Mighty" Quantico Chapter. BDPA's Northern Virginia, Richmond, and Washington, D.C. Chapters will continue its outreach with NNOA to develop HSCC teams from Fredericksburg, Stafford and Tidewater for 2009's Regional HSCC. For more information on NNOA, visit [www.nnoa.org](http://www.nnoa.org).

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# BDPA IT Showcase

During recent Mid-Atlantic Region presentations at Bowie State University, undergraduate and high school students excelled at presenting advanced technical concepts to general audiences. White Papers will be published next month for BDPA's 2008 National Technology Conference in Atlanta.



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**Bowie, MD**—BDPA's 2008 Regional IT Showcase featured undergraduate and high school presentations from BDPA Chapters serving Baltimore, MD; District of Columbia; New Castle, DE; Silver Spring, MD; Waldorf, MD; and Wilmington, DE. Seniors from North Carolina A&T State University and Bowie State University presented topics on **Production Planning Tools and TeraGrid Outreach Through High-Performance Computing (HPC) Student Competitions**, respectively. BDPA's National IT Showcase rolls into Atlanta this August with technical presentations and White Papers from other high schools, colleges and universities. Dr. Jesse Bemley, shown above honoring Christopher Shelton for his Objects in Motion presentation, is the host [DC] Chapter VP for Strategy and Planning, is the Executive Director of Joint Educational Facilities (JEF), and serves as BDPA's National IT Showcase Coordinator. 



Ms. Jessye Bemley, North Carolina A&T State University and Bryan Bemley, Bowie State University, receive honors for their Production Planning Tools and TeraGrid Outreach Through High-Performance Computing (HPC) Student Competitions presentations with Dr. Jesse Bemley (left) and Breeze Johnny (right) of Amaram Corporation who served as the Lead Judge.



(L-R) Marcus Smith, Tyrell Ferguson, and Frederick Smith III receive awards for their cyber infrastructure presentation topics covering: Saving the Polar Bear Through Technology, Virtual Reality, and Communications Plans for Large Population Evacuations, respectively. Joining them are Dr. Jesse Bemley (left) and Breeze Johnny (right) of Amaram Corporation. 



## From The Classroom To The Boardroom

Students, Bowie State faculty, Judges, and visiting BDPA Chapter HSCC Chaperons take a lunch break with Industry Day participants. BDPA and Bowie State University will make efforts to align the 2009 Regional HSCC and IT Showcase with next year's local events and TeraGrid '09 Conference in Washington, DC. See page 5 more information.

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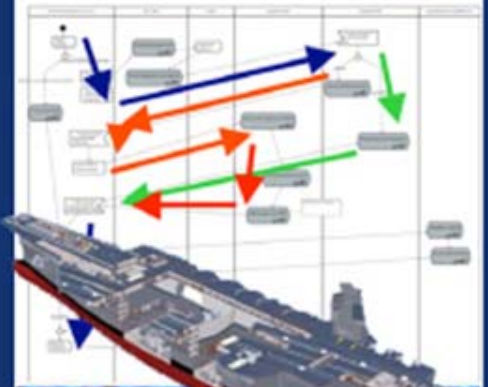
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  - BDPA-Day @ Annapolis
  - ITSMF Symposium and Gala
  - FOSE 2008
  - National Harbor Conventions
  - Regional BDPA Golf Classic
  - Regional HSCC Competition (Youth)
  - Regional IT Showcase (Students)
  - TeraGrid '08
  - National BDPA Tech Conference
  - National IT Showcase (Students)
  - National HSCC Competition (Youth)
  - Legislative Conference (CBCF/ALC)
  - Prince George's Football Classic
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## SUPERCOMPUTING 2008 CONFERENCE PREVIEW

### SC08 Broader Engagement (BE) Program

SC08 is committed to broadening participation in the conference and to the engagement of individuals from around the globe, in groups and disciplines that traditionally have been underrepresented in high performance computing or at the SC Conference series. The breadth and depth of SC08 will provide unparalleled opportunities for learning about innovations in high performance computing, networking, storage and analysis. The Broader Engagement (BE) Program strives to identify and involve those individuals from underrepresented communities who have an interest in high performance computing.

### Mentorship Programs

The mentorship program that started last year at SC07 will continue at SC08. In close collaboration with the Education Program, student volunteers and SC exhibitors, BE is endeavoring to grow its mentorship program. The program plans to continue the formation of mentor/protégé pairs, and develop informal opportunities through coffee or lunch meetings with scientists and industry leaders to encourage networking bridges that benefit the participants involved in the program and hopefully beyond. JEF and BDPA-DC have additional information for local teams. Visit: [www.bdpa-dc.org](http://www.bdpa-dc.org)



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Support Teams are forming for this year's high school and college student participation during featured technology expos, IT conferences, IT Showcase and BDPA HSCC events. Parents and sponsors are invited to participate and assist area students with research concepts and development projects. Contact the JEF Center at: **202.584.1898**

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## Proposed XM-Sirius merger draws criticism from Congressional Black Caucus members

### CBC and FCC Chair remain at odds on XM-Sirius Radio Channels Set-Aside for Women and Minorities

On Capitol Hill, members of the black caucus last month began lobbying for the proposed merged companies of District-based XM Satellite Radio Holdings and Sirius Satellite Radio to lease five times their proposed amount of spectrum to companies owned by racial minorities. Less than that, caucus members last month warned in letters to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and meetings with FCC Chairman Kevin Martin, they would oppose the merger. Senior members are saying this deal does not provide enough opportunities for



minority-owned programming. Rep. G.K. Butterfield (D-NC) chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus' working group on satellite radio told *The Washington Post* that Martin's proposed compromise is "completely unacceptable." Rep. Elijah E. Cummings (D-MD), former chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus, said that he was "extremely upset" about the proposed deal and that he would speak to his colleagues about taking action to stop the merger – including appropriate legislative actions.

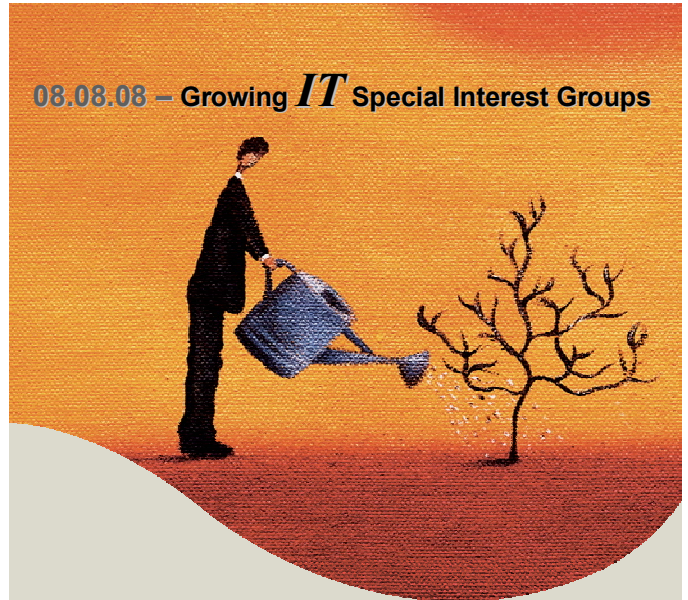
FCC officials said that XM and Sirius voluntarily agreed to all of Kevin Martin's terms, most of which both companies had originally suggested. The concessions both firms originally agreed to follow:

- A three-year freeze on prices and packages that include programs from both services.
- "A La Carte" programming to be available within 3-months after close of the deal.
- Open Device Access, providing technology standards to allow for any device manufacturer to make satellite

radios. Interoperable radios to be available within one-year of the merger.

- Set aside 8% of total combined spectrum (12-channels each) for noncommercial, educational and public safety programming - for those who have "not been traditionally represented" in radio, according to Martin.

According to the Associated Press, further details on how the new system would work have yet to be negotiated.



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Dr. Jesse Bemley (right), BDPA-DC Chapter VP for Strategy and Planning, takes a moment during a Regional IT Showcase intermission to brief Terrance Taylor on BDPA's cyberinfrastructure objectives for local communities, HBCUs, and S.T.E.M. workforce issues. Mr. Taylor is Maryland's 5<sup>th</sup> District Community Outreach Director for House Majority Leader, Steny Hoyer.



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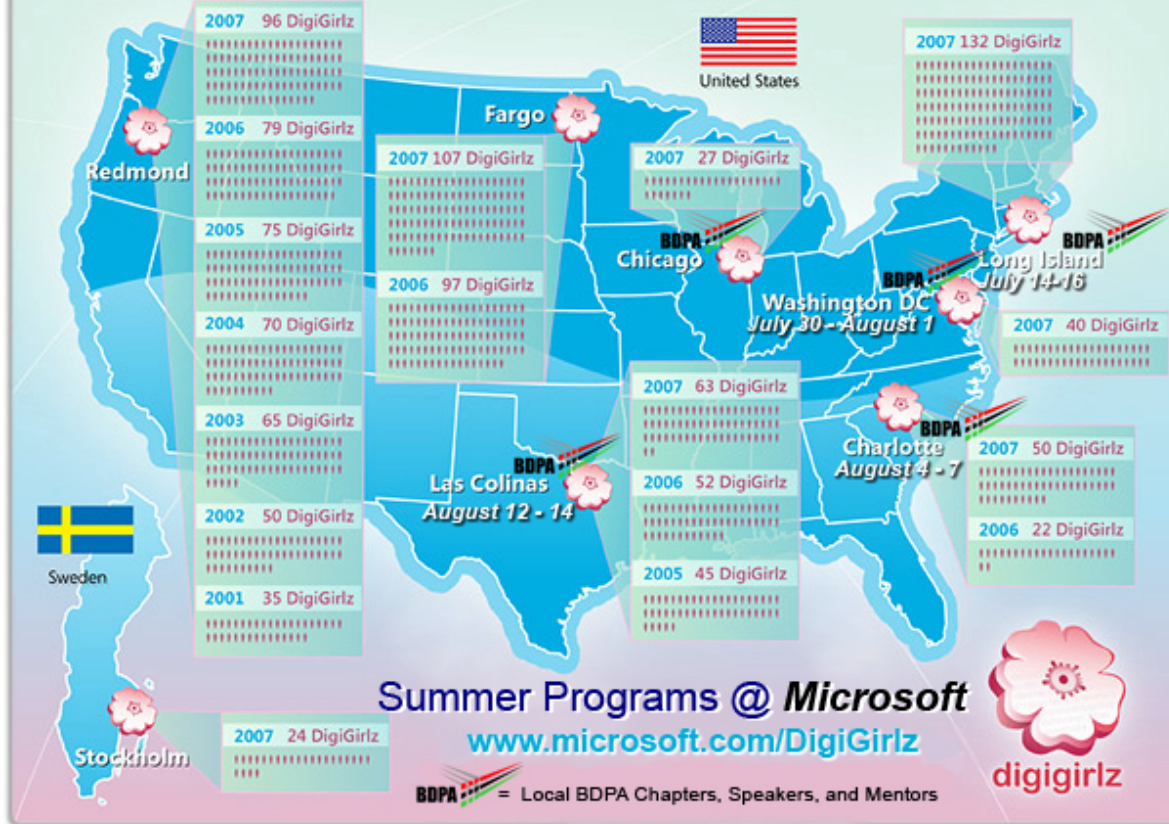
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