



Season's Greetings!

E-Letter for our Members, Donors, Partners, & Friends

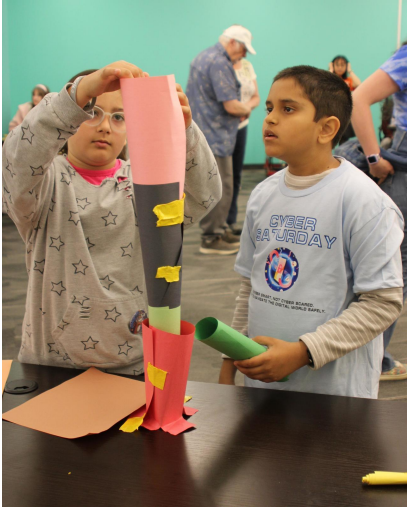
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Hello Friend - Welcome to the latest issue of the ***NCF Web Link***. Everyone at the NCF would like to wish you a festive holiday season and a peaceful new year. We are grateful for your support throughout the year and hope you will continue to follow our progress in 2025. Have a wonderful holiday season!

* **Combined Federal Campaign (CFC)** *- A reminder that the NCF is participating in the **2024-2025 CFC**. Our organization number is **#31493**. Thank you for considering the NCF in your CFC giving plan.

NCF Programs & Events





Join Us for Cyber Saturday 18 Jan 2025

Registration is open for Cyber Saturday on **18 January 2025** at the Technology Advancement Center (TAC) in Columbia, MD. Activities include a MetaCTF challenge, a cipher wheel escape room, AI exercises, a live podcast presentation, and more. We will also have more parent sessions. Click the button below for details & registration via the TAC website. Learn about [prior Cyber Saturday events on our website](#) or [watch a short Cyber Saturday video](#).

Interested in Sponsoring Cyber Saturday? By partnering with the NCF's Cyber Saturday Program, your organization can directly impact the lives of hundreds of students, providing them with essential tools to thrive in the digital world and empowering the next generation of cybersecurity leaders. [Get Cyber Saturday Sponsorship Info](#).

[Register for Cyber Saturday](#)



#CyberChats Podcast Features NCF Board Member Dr. Calvin Nobles

On December 19th, we were excited to feature a special podcast guest - NCF Board Member **Dr. Calvin Nobles** - who serves as Portfolio Vice President and Dean of the School of Cybersecurity and Information Technology at the University of Maryland Global Campus. Tune in to learn about Dr. Noble's work in cybersecurity, experience in the Navy, and extraordinary research on the role of human behavior in digital security. Also, earlier in December we presented a special #CyberChats/Cyber Pulse crossover episode - learn about it below.

Explore Season 3



Tune in for the Latest Cyber Pulse Episode

The NCF's new podcast, [Cyber Pulse](#), has been busy! On December 5th, a special **Cyber Pulse-#CyberChats special holiday crossover episode** dropped with our two podcast hosts, James Walsh and Kennedy Taylor, sharing tips for safe online holiday shopping. The December 12th Cyber Pulse episode features a conversation about Penetration Testing with guest **Tim Medin**, founder of Red Siege and Inventor of Kerberoasting.

Cyber Pulse Episodes



Request Cybersecurity Booklets

Looking for printed copies of our ***Outsmart Cyberthreats*** booklet for students or our ***How to Be Cyber Safe & Savvy*** adult booklet? In addition to downloading the digital booklets via our website - you can now easily request printed copies via our website.

The adult booklet was recently updated and now includes information about Artificial Intelligence. Both booklets are fantastic resources for learning how to protect personal data and stay safe online. The *Outsmart Cyberthreats* booklet also includes information about cyber careers.

[Request Booklets Form](#)

Upcoming Convening to Act Programs

* **"Accelerating Adoption of Quantum Resistant Cryptography (QRC)":** Scheduled for **March 11, 2025** in College Park, MD. [QRC Details](#).

* **Artificial Intelligence (AI):** Rescheduled from Nov 2024 to **March 27-28, 2025** in Reston, VA. [AI Details](#).

[Convening to Act Information](#)

End of Year Appeal



Support Our Education Program

Your end of year donation will support two key NCF education initiatives - the [NCF Ambassador Program](#) and [Cyber Saturday](#). Each program brings the critical concepts of cybersecurity to students in ways that are engaging, hands-on, and inspiring.

Our Ambassador Program empowers students, educators, and schools to embrace data care awareness, cyber hygiene, and responsible digital citizenship. Currently, the Ambassador program is in six schools in MA, MD, and NC.

Our goal in 2025 is to add at least 10 new schools to our Ambassador Program and to fund more Cyber Saturday events. In total, our EOY goal is to raise \$100,000 in support of these important education programs.

Together, we can build a future where our youth are equipped to protect and defend in a digital world. [Read the full 2024 End of Year Appeal letter.](#)

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Cybersecurity Opportunity for Educators

National Cybersecurity Teaching Academy (NCTA)

Funding is available for teachers to enroll in Summer 2025 cybersecurity courses. NCTA is a graduate certificate that prepares high school teachers to teach cybersecurity. Courses take place in the summer and are delivered online. Please visit teachcyber.org/ncta/ for full details. The deadline to apply for this scholarship opportunity is **15 January 2025**.

[Learn More via TeachCyber.org](https://teachcyber.org)

For the Community...

In Memoriam Registry & Recently Departed

Visit the Commemorate section of the NCF's website to view the **In Memoriam Registry & Recently Departed Colleagues & Friends** pages. Colleagues who have been recently added to the registry include Lawrence Joseph Bury and Bernard Peters. We invite you to consider honoring a departed colleague, family member, or friend who served in the cryptologic field by donating in their memory and adding them to the Registry.

[Visit Our Commemorate Pages](#)

Cryptologic History Symposium 2025

The next **NSA/CCH Cryptologic History Symposium (co-hosted by the NCF)** will take place **30 April & 1 May 2025**, with activities on **2 May** at the National Cryptologic Museum. The 2025 theme is *"Engage the Past - Educate the Future."*

Please also plan to attend the **NCF's General Membership Meeting (GMM)** on **29 April 2025**. Registration for the Symposium and the NCF's GMM will be available via the NCF website, so stay tuned to our e-newsletters and to the [CCH Symposium](#) and [NCF GMM](#) pages on our website for updates.

Calendar at a Glance

- **Season 3** - #CyberChats Podcast. [More.](#)
- **November 2024** - 2nd Cyber Pulse Podcast episode is available. [More.](#)
- **18 January 2025** - Cyber Saturday. [More.](#)
- **11 March 2025** - QRC Convening to Act. [More.](#)
- **27-28 March 2025** - Artificial Intelligence Convening to Act in Reston, VA. [More.](#)
- **29 April 2025** - NCF General Membership Meeting Program. [Save the Date.](#)
- **30 April - 1 May 2025** - NSA/CSS and NCF co-host CCH Symposium. [More.](#)

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