Your fellow Operations Research and Management Science professionals are pleased to extend an open invitation to all current and prospective members of INFORMS to attend the Second INFORMS Richmond/Tidewater Chapter Meeting.

**When:** Monday, **May 23rd  2011, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.**  
**Where:** Virginia Beach Higher Education Center (Room 137)  
1881 University Drive  
Virginia Beach, VA 23453  
**Food:** Finger food and soda will be served  
**Parking:** Open

The chapter’s Linked-In group is located at **www.linkedin.com**

**Presentation:**  
by  
Dr. Rich Staats, MITRE

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Dr. Rich Staats comes from a rich and varied technical and experiential background. He graduated from USMA (BS) and MIT (Ph.D.). COL Staats has served in the military for over 25 years with assignments world-wide to include four overseas assignments, three overseas commands, and a recent combat tour in Iraq (2005-2006) as a battalion commander/Corps principal for Iraqi support. He has written numerous articles and pieces ranging from artificial intelligence to military logistics. Dr. Staats is also a noted speaker on the areas of network-centric warfare, information theory, and game design including modeling and simulation of societies and cultures. He spent the last thirteen years as the single father of three grown children who kept him focused.