

## (U) Attend the Speech about 'Innovation on Demand'

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(U//FOUO) The Science & Engineering Society presents Mr. David Haygood, IDEO Corporation speaking on "Innovation on Demand":

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**Time:** 10:00 am - 11:00 am **Place:** R&E Symposium Center

- (U) You've been there before. You've slaved over a project where you thought you understood what the user wanted, only to be let down when you delivered your product. The user just didn't "get it." How can you be expected to create anything useful if the users don't have a clue what they want? Or maybe, you're the user who's been burned too many times trying to tell someone what you needed, but they just didn't "get it." They built what they thought you said, not what you meant.
- (U) "User Centered Design" is an approach to innovation and the culture that fuels it. It is a way of achieving a deeper understanding of users' needs that go well beyond normal requirements-gathering. Mr. Haywood's company, IDEO, has been successful in applying this concept to the development of the first Apple mouse, the first laptop computer, the Palm V, and the LifePort Kidney Transporter. They have demonstrated their process in over 3500 projects in fields as diverse as software interaction design, the development of new services, spaces and experiences, and even the transformation of innovation culture in large corporations. One example is creating Dilbert's Ultimate Cubicle.
- (U) David Haygood has an MS in Engineering from Stanford. He fulfills the ideal "T-shaped" background IDEO looks for in their designers broad experience in a number of fields, and deep experience in one or two. His depth of business and technical management roles is balanced by his broad experience in taking a diverse range of products and services from concept to market. He has been an Army combat photographer in Vietnam, a leader of chapel services in a maximum security prison, and and he has swum from Alcatraz to San Francisco in a triathlon, all of which provides fodder for innovative thinking.

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