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## **IoT Will Kick-off MetroCon-17**

*The Internet of Things will lead studies at 30<sup>th</sup> annual IEEE MetroCon conference*

DALLAS (June 26, 2017) – “It’s the Wild West” all over again, says Ed Hightower of the Internet of Things [IoT]. Hightower will speak on IoT to kick off this year’s MetroCon conference sponsored by Lockheed Martin and produced by the *Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers [IEEE]*. This technology rich conference is celebrating its 30<sup>th</sup> year, now scheduled for October 26 in Arlington, Texas.

Hightower is a technologist and CEO of *IoT and Beyond*, expert in wireless, wireless data, machine-to machine [M2M] and of course IoT. “We’re at an exponential time ... so what is possible now to enrich our lives, we ain’t seen nothin’ yet,” says Hightower. “Not only are computers doubling in power but you probably have eight to ten other technologies that are on that exponential curve.”

Hightower made his comments when as a guest today on the ScienceNews Radio Network program, *Promise of Tomorrow with Colonel Mason*. The broadcast can now be heard webcast and archived for its world audience at PromiseOfTomorrow (dot) biz.

Hightower will be the first speaker at MetroCon this year, beginning at 8:30a October 26. In previewing his presentation on the radio program Hightower said “so what we think is not possible now, in two, four, six, eight years from now we will be blown away with capabilities. We’re going to start being able to predict things that need to be fixed before they break down so no interruption in service.”

For 30 straight years IEEE has produced this one-day Conference. MetroCon will also feature advances in biotechnologies, software and systems engineering, computational intelligence, in addition to cyber security, power and energy systems, plus other emerging technologies.

More information about MetroCon, conference registration, sponsoring/exhibiting at: [www \(dot\) metrocon \(dot\) org/](http://www.metrocon.org/).