



### FROM THE PRESIDENT

We just closed out the ASMC National year with some exceptional awards!! The many volunteers who keep our chapter running did extraordinary things to achieve the accomplishments and awards that we won this year.

Congratulations ASMC San Diego for winning the following Chapter Awards from National! For maintaining our Five Star Chapter recognition for another year; For winning the Chapter Communications Distinguished Award, tied with the Alamo Chapter. This is the highest award in this category and an incredible accomplishment to add to our placement last year when we received The Meritorious Award in this category; And for winning the Community Service Award, demonstrating exceptional community service.

I want to thank the Elected & Appointed Board members, the Numerous Volunteers supporting our featured charities and the San Diego Chapter members for attending our luncheons, training events and supporting our chapter. We are closing out this year with some exceptional awards and we should all be proud!!

 **Ken Suazo**

#### Upcoming Luncheon:






June 18<sup>th</sup>

Speaker: Mariam Morad,  
CDFM, Comptroller, MCAS  
Miramar

#### LOCATION:

MCRD Bay View Club

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#### 2014 FIVE STAR CHAPTER



**Memorial Day**



**Congratulations to all the winning chapters shown below!**

**San Diego won Five Star Recognition, Chapter Communication-Distinguished and Community Service awards.**

Chapter Awards for 2014 will be presented at the PDI in Seattle.

#### Overall Chapter Competition

A-1 Category: Distinguished – Alamo City, Meritorious – Washington

A Category: Distinguished – Buckeye, Meritorious – Gulf Coast

#### Chapter Communications

A-1 Category: Distinguished – Alamo City and **San Diego** (tie), Meritorious – Redstone – Huntsville

A Category: Distinguished – Buckeye, Meritorious – Gulf Coast

#### Five Star Recognition

Alamo City, Aloha, Aviation, Buckeye, Central NY Leatherstocking, Cleveland, Coastal Georgia, Evergreen, Forty Niner, Great River, Greater Omaha, Greater Stuttgart, Gulf Coast, Hampton Roads, Indianapolis, Land of Lincoln, Middle Georgia, Montgomery, Pioneer, Red River, Redstone – Huntsville, **San Diego**, Sandhills, Sequoyah, Southside Virginia, Washington, and Yankee.

#### Community Service

The following chapters have demonstrated exceptional community service and have met the required number of hours in their chapter size category in the 2013 – 2014. (75 – 150 hours)

Alamo City, Aviation, Buckeye, Central NY Leatherstocking, Cleveland, Coastal Georgia, Crown of Maine, Great River, Greater Jacksonville, Hampton Roads, Indianapolis, Land of Lincoln, Panama City, Pikes Peak, Pioneer, Red River, Redstone – Huntsville, **San Diego**, Sequoyah, Southside Virginia, Tampa, Bay, Washington, and Yankee.



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## MEMBER NEWS – TRAINING AND CDFM:

We kicked off the first CDFM DCO Lunch & Learn session in March 2014. In this session, we reviewed Module 1 flashcards. Attendees called in to a conference line and logged in to the DCO to view the slides. They were able to post answers and feedback using the DCO 'chat' feature. There were about 15 – 20 attendees including folks that are currently studying for the CDFM as well as current CDFM's. Based on the positive feedback I received from attendees, it was 'fun and informative'. This was a great review session and also an opportunity to gain some insight from CDFMs on our own individual experiences in preparing for the test. Look out for another session coming soon...

The ASMC San Diego Chapter has approximately 500 members. 25% of the membership have earned the CDFM credential and 5% have earned the CDFM-A. Testing is available at the PDI this year. This is a perfect opportunity to get certified.

Check out the ASMC San Diego Chapter Training page for an update on alignment of the EDFMTC with the DOD FM Certification Level 1 and Level 3 competencies: <http://asmcsandiego.org/training.html>

## TRAINING

### New EDFMTC/DOD FM Certification Program Alignment

Great news for the DOD FM community! Click on the link below for more information regarding alignment of the EDFMTC with the FM Certification Program. This course aligns with specific FM Competencies for Level 1 (8 hours) and Level 3 (32 hours).

<http://www.asmonline.org/certification/cdfm-information/>.

Please reach out to May Strickland, 619-537-2079, [may.strickland@navsoc.socom.mil](mailto:may.strickland@navsoc.socom.mil), if you have any questions.

 **May Strickland, CDFM**  
**ASMC San Diego CDFM Chair**

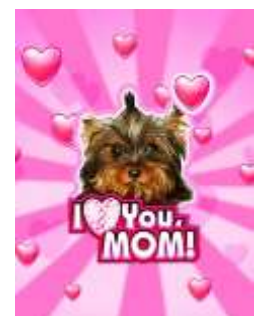


## LUNCHEON NEWS:

**Speaker for the June luncheon will be : Mariam Morad, CDFM, Comptroller, MCAS Miramar.**

**Her topic: Managing Under Limited Resources**

Ms. Morad began her civil service career in 1985 with the Department of the Army as the Budget Assistant for the 7th Army Training Command in Grafenwoehr, Germany. She is a graduate of DOD professional Military Comptroller School at Air University at Maxwell AFB in Alabama, the advanced Management Program at Tench Francis School of Business in Athens, Georgia, and Defense Resource Management Course at Defense Resource Management Institute at Naval Post Graduate School in Monterey, CA. In her 26 years of service with the Marine Corps and Army she has served on the numerous Resource Management Board, Position Management Review Board, Civil Service Award Committees, and NSPS pay pools. After Establishment of Marine Corps Installation West and abolishment of Marine Corps Bases Western area, Ms. Morad continued to serve as Comptroller for MCAS Miramar.





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## Month Two of the San Diego Padres Special Offer to ASMC San Diego Members:

Join ASMC San Diego in supporting your San Diego Padres during their 2014 Season! Using this exclusive Padres Ticket Offer, you are guaranteed great tickets at a special ASMC Member-Only price to the games listed. They are offering some of the newest and neatest Padres giveaways to these selected ASMC games, as show below:

May 24th: Padres play against Chicago Cubs; receive a Padres Replica Retro Jersey

June 21st: Padres play against Los Angeles Dodgers; receive a Padres Beat LA T-Shirt

July 19th: Padres play against New York Mets; receive a Cashner Replica Camo Jersey

August 30th: Padres Play against Los Angeles Dodgers; receive a Padres Mesh Hat

September 20th: Padres Play against San Francisco Giants; receive a Padres Bobblehead



Click on the provided link below

Enter Promo Code: ASMC

Click which section you want

Click which seats you want

Either sign into your account with the Padres OR

Create an account to purchase tickets!



<https://oss.ticketmaster.com/aps/padres/EN/link/promotion/home/7abc8efad2f5749f763f5eecd0a732a98f23b3a>

If you have any questions or experience any issue purchasing your tickets please contact Ken Suazo at [Kenneth.Suazo@navy.mil](mailto:Kenneth.Suazo@navy.mil) or call 619-532-1099.

Looking forward to having ASMC Members well represented!

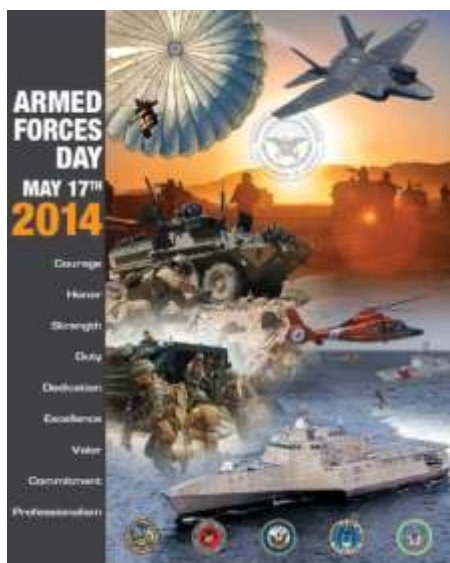
## NEWS from NATIONAL:

### PDI 2014 - Achieving New Heights | Managing Change

PDI 2014, the premier training event hosted by the American Society of Military Comptrollers, will be held at the Washington State Convention Center in Seattle on May 28–30.

The National Professional Development Institute (PDI) is the premier training event of the American Society of Military Comptrollers. Resource managers in the Department of Defense and US Coast Guard converge for a three day event whose objective is to enhance the skills and abilities that personnel in the financial and resource management community must possess to meet the challenges of today's defense financial manager.

In addition to the more than 21 CPE credits available to attendees, the PDI provides a forum for attendees to network with leadership, peers, vendors and clients. This event is also the showcase for those individuals and teams who have been recognized for excellence by ASMC.





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## ASMC San Diego Training Day

### ASMC Members,

We are excited to announce that we are planning a Training Day in July 2014! ASMC with the [Defense Acquisition University Alumni Association](#) will be hosting the day of training sessions and there will be no cost to attend. The number of classes and topics will be based on member interest. Seating is limited so please let us know if you plan to attend and if you have a recommended topic (or two, or three). You will earn Continuous Learning Points for each session.

#### Potential Topics:

Planning, Programming, Budgeting, and Execution

Congressional Enactment

What Every Financial Management Should Know About DoD Contracts

How to Write an Effective Impact Statement

Budget Policies

Budget Execution

The Basics of Fiscal Law

**Please vote for your favorite topics.** Contact [Ken Suazo](#) with your vote or topic ideas.

**Mark your calendar for Wednesday, 30 July.**

**Stay tuned for upcoming notices and we hope to see you there!**

We are also looking for speakers/trainers for the event. If you are interested please contact Joanne MacDonald-Morrow at [joanne.macdonald-morrow@dau.mil](mailto:joanne.macdonald-morrow@dau.mil).

 **Joanne MacDonald-Morrow**



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**MEMBERSHIP LINKS:**

Join ASMC:

<http://www.asmconline.org/membership/join-renew/>

Update your Profile:

<http://www.asmconline.org/membership/edit-profile/>

Renew ASMC Membership:

<http://www.asmconline.org/membership/renew/>**SCHOLARSHIP:**

All active ASMC Members, we highly encourage you to consider applying for an ASMC scholarship. All of the details can be found under the "Awards Program" section on the ASMC San Diego website, <http://www.asmcsandiego.org/awardsprogram.html>.

We would like to award a **\$500 scholarship for the forthcoming Fall semester!** The deadline for the scholarship is **June 30th, 2014**. Let's put your scholarship contributions to work and provide assistance for your professional education.

The objectives of the **National Scholarship Program** are to recognize graduating high school seniors for academic achievement, to provide financial assistance so they may accomplish their future financial management baccalaureate educational goals, and to increase local chapter scholarship programs. The scholarships from ASMC National are available for non-ASMC members and high school students. All of the details can be found under the ASMC National website, <https://asmc.nonprofitcms.org/awards/Organizations/main/Home>.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

 **Mike Ortiz**


**CDFM CPEs:**  
50 minutes = 1 unit

Speaker for April 23<sup>rd</sup>, TEKSOUTH:  
50 minutes = 1 CPE.



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