



Upcoming Events:

Luncheon – August 26th

Speakers: Linda Allen, Regional Commissioner for Federal Acquisition Service & Mark Carico, National Account Manager for GSA

Topic: GSA contracting support for DoD & the common acquisition platform.

Notice:

ASMC Board Member Nominations will be distributed early in September. with voting in mid-September.

LOCATION:

MCRD Bay View Club

FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE VICE PRESIDENT

This month is our **MEMBERSHIP APPRECIATION LUNCHEON!** Members are what keep a chapter alive. ASMC San Diego Chapter has a wonderful membership of achievers and givers. With each fiscal year federal workers are challenged with new obstacles and recurring issues that will always be. ASMC worldwide has seen a decline in membership due to many factors; whether it's a retiring workforce or a shrunken, overloaded workforce. I believe our San Diego Chapter is very fortunate that although our numbers have decreased, we have been able to continue our successes and provide training and education to our members, meeting our mission. I encourage each member to do a little extra to grow our membership and to volunteer. Our geographic location is an advantage with the range of resources we have between our varied commands. Each command is equally valuable to the strength of our fine city and affords our chapter the ability to gain from their resources. We each know someone who knows someone that has knowledge to share.

We recently had another successful Training Day hosted and partnered by **ASMC San Diego Chapter and Defense Acquisition University Alumni Association** at Anti Surface Warfare Naval Base Point Loma. This one day Training Event was successful because of volunteers. We had a great panel of speakers, presenters and members that all volunteered from ASMC, DAUAA, various DOD commands and private industry. The positive feedback during the event and since has been overwhelmingly positive.





Some of our members volunteered at the annual **Veterans Stand Down**. If you haven't participated in this annual event, you are missing out on some wonderful conversations with our veterans. Rewarding is the word that comes to my mind. *Big Kudos* to our members that volunteered their time to assist our veterans. Put this on your planner for next year.

I need your assistance with updated emails. I continue to get returned emails or email boxes that are full. So if you have not received anything from me in months, be sure to contact me with your current email information. I wouldn't want anyone missing out on any upcoming training or information that we send out. See the last page of this newsletter for contact information.

Thankful, Sherry



Highlights in this Issue:

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2015 FIVE STAR CHAPTER



Charity: 2015 Feds Feed Families



Launched in 2009 as part of President Obama's *United We Serve* campaign, Feds Feed Families was designed to help food banks and pantries stay stocked during summer months when they traditionally see a decrease in donations and an increase in need.

Everyone who brings an item to the ASMC luncheon will be given a ticket for the gift giveaway!!!

Please let's show our support to Feds Feed Families

Recommend donations: canned foods (fruits, vegetables, soups and foods high in protein), condiments (tomato based sauces), boxed mixes, and hygiene items (deodorants, toilet paper, toothpaste, shampoo).



2015 TRAINING DAY
VOLUNTEERS and
GENERAL SESSION.

More pictures will be
posted soon on the
ASMC San Diego website.
<http://www.asmcсандiego.org/>
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News from ASMC National:

Here's a sample of the many ASMC programs, services and networking opportunities that are available to ASMC members. These benefit your career and the defense financial community.

- * Gain information on the latest news in defense financial management;
- * Network with your peers at the chapter level and nationally;
- * Participate in educational events and attend chapter activities;
- * Receive the Armed Forces Comptroller and ASMC Connection;
- * View presentations at the Online Learning Center, which contains members-only online education offering valuable CPE's.
- * Utilize our CPE Management tool to keep track of your CPE's.
- * Discounted rates for the National PDI, CDFM enrollment and renewal, and with the University of Phoenix Online and GEICO.



NOTICE !

UPCOMING ASMC SAN DIEGO ELECTION DATES:

**Nominations will be distributed in early
September due back Sept. 16th.**

**Voting Ballots will be sent out Sept. 17th and
due back Oct. 1st.**

Fisher House Charity at Training day:

Fisher House donations from ASMC and DAUAA included:

\$430 Home Depot Gift Card
1 case of Toilet Paper
9 cases of Keurig Coffee Pods
Bag of toiletries

Many Thanks from
Fisher House!



Save the Date: 23 Oct 2015
Let's start the New Year off right (Paint & Vino)
Place: TBD
Time: TBD
More information to come in next month's newsletter



Navy Capitol Hill Workshop

By Meghann Stastny

During the week of 26 July, I attended the Navy Capitol Hill Workshop in Washington, DC presented by the Government Affairs Institute (GAI) at Georgetown University. The training provided a first-hand look at the Congressional processes and procedures that this country is founded on. During the week of training, we got to hear from a Former Representative, Professional and Personal Staff Members, Journalists, as well as Senior GAI Fellows who discussed many issues including: Committee Operations (Appropriations and Armed Services), Polarization in Congress, Motivations and Challenges, the on-going Budget Dilemma, as well as the Current Administration and the Electoral Dimension. A key take away for me was to pay special attention to Budget Exhibits during the Formulation process as the House and Senate Armed Services and Appropriations Committees need this information, submitted by the agencies, to be thorough and correct in order to authorize programs and appropriate funding. It was interesting to learn that most of the Committee Staffers know the ins and outs of the Programs of which they are responsible for Authorizing and Appropriating funds for, better than those who actually work on these Programs.

Due to the location of the training being on Capitol Hill, the class had the chance to sit in on several hearings occurring that week, which allowed us all a first-hand look at the different types of hearings being conducted on the hill. We also had a chance to visit the House and Senate Floors in the Capitol Building itself. All of these lectures and activities helped me to gain better understanding of Congress, especially with regard to the culture and the politics of it all. Ultimately, all the events of the week helped me to see the bigger picture of how the Legislative and Executive Branches of the Federal Government fit together and to solidify the relationship between the Department of Defense and members of Congress. I would definitely recommend this training to anyone looking to broaden their perspective of the Federal Government, especially those involved with Budget Exhibits, who are looking to further their understanding of the legislative process by which Programmatic decisions are made.

A link to the Training:

<http://gai.georgetown.edu/navy-capitol-hill-workshop-4-days/>



CONGRATULATIONS to the members listed below for 2015 Continuous Membership Awards.

Certificates will be presented at the membership appreciation luncheon on August 26th.

20 YEARS

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Laura M. Cains, CDFM
Esperanza Dorado Delatorre
Patricia A. Finnell

15 YEARS

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10 YEARS

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ASK MAC!

Dear Mac,

I attended the PDI this year in New Orleans and had a wonderful time. I attended many sessions but missed the one on apportionment. Can you explain what it is?

Kenny Springs

Kenny,

Apportionment is the action by which the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) distributes the funding amounts available for obligation in an appropriation account. The distribution makes funding available on the basis of specified time periods, programs, activities, projects, and objects. The apportionment system is intended to achieve an effective and orderly use of funds.

The primary purposes of the apportionment process are to achieve the most effective and economical use of the funding made available, and prevent agencies from obligating funds in a manner that would result in an anti-deficiency or require a supplemental appropriation.

Just as OMB consolidates all budget requests from Executive Branch federal government activities and submits a total federal budget request to Congress for enactment of appropriations, the Executive Branch also initiates action to start the budget execution process. After the President signs the various appropriation bills into appropriation laws, two separate but related actions occur that start this process. The first action is the issuance of a Treasury Warrant, for which the Secretary of Treasury is responsible. The Secretary of Treasury is responsible for payment of all federal monies. By law (U.S. Code, Title 31, Section 3323), the Secretary of Treasury "may pay out those monies only against a warrant". The U.S. Code further states the warrant shall be "authorized by law, signed by Secretary of Treasury and countersigned by the Comptroller General". The warrant is based on the appropriation law by which a federal agency receives its budget authority and it sets up the Treasury account from which monies may be legally paid. The warrant provides the agency's outlay authority. The second action is the actual apportionment process, for which the Director of OMB is responsible. Each federal agency (e.g., the Department of Defense) is required to submit a formal request to OMB for the release of budget authority provided by appropriation laws applicable to that agency. OMB is then to distribute that budget authority (commonly referred to as funds) in a timely manner so the agency can actually start using the funds for the purposes specified in the appropriation law.

OMB apportions funds to federal government agencies and departments on a quarterly, annual or other periodic basis. A periodic distribution helps ensure accomplishment of the primary purposes of the apportionment process. Investment appropriations are usually apportioned on an annual basis, while expense appropriations are usually apportioned quarterly. The RDT&E appropriations contain some elements of investment and some of expense and most RDT&E is apportioned on an annual basis. To assist in the apportionment process, DoD provides OMB planned obligations and expenditures for the various Defense appropriation accounts, based on obligation and expenditure plans from the Services and Defense Agencies.

Thanks for a great question!

*Sincerely,
 Mac*

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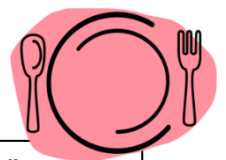
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The CDFM Program:

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

You cannot have a
positive life and a
negative mind.

~ Joyce Meyer



We were recently informed by the Bay View Club that their prices have increased. As a result, we had no choice but to increase our prices. ASMC members will still have a price break, but all non-members will have to pay a higher price. So please consider becoming a member today! Membership does have its privileges!

~ Brenda Meyer, Exec Vice President

