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GULF COAST CHAPTER

NEWSLETTER



DECEMBER 2015



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President's Corner



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ASMC Gulf Coast Members,

This time of year always makes me reflect on all the good things in my life. Ann and I have 4 boys (alright young men), 3 daughter-in-laws, and 6 grandkids, all healthy and all keeping in touch with us. My folks and brother are doing great and most of us are going to invade my parent's house this year to celebrate Christmas.

I also realize not everyone is as lucky as I am. Some of my friends are deployed and won't get to come home. I especially try to remember them when I'm sitting around our huge dining room table with all my family. I remind my kids of the times I was gone and try to show my grandkids how truly lucky they are.

I'm also lucky because Ann knows how much I like shopping and doesn't make me go. She finished "our" Christmas shopping in Oct and in fact, she's already wrapped everything. All I have to do is figure out how to pack it in my truck without breaking anything or tearing up any of the bows.

Be sure to read through the entire newsletter. There's volunteer opportunities, luncheon announcements, the fun run down in Bluewater Bay, tons of things going on and ways for you to get involved with ASMC.

I wish all of you a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, and a Happy New Year.

Ray Graber

ASMC Gulf Coast Chapter, VP-Eglin

MINUTES: Executive Council

The ASMC Executive Committee meeting minutes are posted on the Gulf Coast Chapter webpage. To review them, please go to the website:

<http://www.gulfcoastasmc.org/> and click on the tab marked "Minutes" along the top.



Upcoming Events



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DECEMBER – HOLIDAY PARTY

When: 17 Dec 2015 at 11:30am
Where: Luke's Place, Eglin AFB
Who: Mr. Steve Herrera
What: Games, Door Prizes, Dessert Contest
ASMC Members FREE - catered by Panera Bread Co.; Guests - \$10

<https://cs3.eis.af.mil/sites/OO-ED-AA-A2/AQ/Registration/Registration/Registration.aspx>

RFL Needs YOU!

Some of you may remember last year the Life size battleship game the Comptrollers for a Cause set up for the Relay for Life ASMC booth. For those of you that might not have heard, Relay for Life or RFL for short, is a worldwide phenomenon started in May of 1985 by Dr. Gordy Klatt raising almost \$5B to fight cancer. **We're still looking for a chair** for this worthy cause. If you're interested please contact myself or any of the ASMC Board members. I look forward to hearing from you.

Ray Graber, 882-8097

RPDI

The RPDI will be held at the **Emerald Coast Convention Center on 14 Apr 16**. We look forward to hosting a variety of speakers and topics to include Maj Gen Martin, SAF-FM, and retired 96 ABW Commander, Sal Nodjomian. Other possible topics include: DEAMS, SOCOM, LMS, PEM, and more! The RPDI Committee is working hard to make sure members receive a full day of training & opportunities.

POC: Kaci Harris, 884-7643

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Adopt-a-Family

ASMC signed up to Adopt-a-Family again this year. To date we have raised \$350 and have had ASMC members donating clothing & toys. Most items for the family were purchased on Black Friday, taking advantage of some awesome deals. There are only a few things left to grab. Items for the family will be turned in on **Friday, Dec 11**. If you have a donation please contact Kaci Harris at kaci.harris@us.af.mil. Thank you again for helping another less fortunate family have an awesome Christmas!

WAYS and MEANS

We are soliciting members' interest in upcoming volunteer opportunities at future luncheons. Be sure to provide your contact info, interest, and availability on our sign-up clipboard. Near future opportunities include:

- **BX gift wrapping in Dec – Still looking for volunteers!**
 - 16 Dec from 1200-1500
 - 22 Dec from 1500-1800
- **5K Walk/Run** at Schooners in Bluewater Bay – **Dec 12th** (see flyer next page) – **Still looking for volunteers!** (check-in table, handing out water cups and manning the water table at end of race)
- **Commissary Bagging Fundraiser – 28 Dec 15** from 0900-1700
 - Requesting 3 people – 0900-1100
 - Requesting 3 people – 1100 – 1300
 - Requesting 3 people – 1300 – 1500
 - Requesting 3 people – 1500 - 1700
- Annual ASMC Golf Tournament – **Apr 8th, 2016 @ 1200**.

POC: Mika Gellinger, 882-8650



ASMC 1st Holiday 5K Fun Run/Walk



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ASMC is hosting its first ever 5K event! We have had ~30 people register for this event so far which means lots of ugly sweaters & fun holiday attire to be seen. It's not too late to register! Packet pickup will be the day of the race at 8 a.m. Shirt sizes are a first come first serve basis for those who sign up after 1 Dec. Join us for some food & beer at the post-race party! Any questions? Contact Kaci Harris at kaci.harris@us.af.mil.

Holiday 5K Fun Run/Walk Event

12 December 2015 @ 0900

L. J. Schooners at Bluewater Bay in Niceville

Entry fee - includes race t-shirt & refreshments!

Early bird registration (by 1 Dec): \$30 per person or \$150 for team of 5

Price after 1 Dec: \$35 per person

Be sure to dress up in your favorite holiday attire (ugly sweaters included)!

**ALL PROCEEDS GO TO SCHOLARSHIPS FOR LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE STUDENTS*



Click the link below to register:

<https://www.raceentry.com/races/asmc-holiday-5k-fun-runwalk/2015/register>

Any questions? Contact Kaci Harris at Kaci.harris@gmail.com.

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Community Service at the Fisher House



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The ASMC Community Service committee has scheduled bi-monthly dinners at our local Fisher House here on Eglin AFB. The ASMC Gulf Coast Chapter started preparing meals in July, and is scheduled every other Tuesday through the Month of March. Pictured below to the right are ASMC members that prepared the meal for the guests on 1 December. Left to right: 2d Lt Michael Best, TSgt Kim Holen, SSgt Sheldon Hines and SSgt Joshua Scollo from CPTS.

If anyone is interested in volunteering to provide a dinner with the Fisher House, you may call Maika Andrew at 850-420-8893 or she may be reached by email at maika.andrew.1@us.af.mil.



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FM'ers who are off Santa's "naughty list"...



User Name	FM Level	Job Location Description
Alexander, Patricia, P	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN 694 ASSQ EBAI C
Allen, Mary, K	3	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN 328 ASG EBAF C
Andrew, Maika, M	2	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FMA2 C
Ashline, Todd, E	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN AF EBBA C
Ashworth, Susan, M	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN 694 ASSQ EBAI C
AUSTIN, MICHELLE, M	2	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FMA C
BARCO, JOHANN, MIKE	1	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FM M
Battle, Aurelia Cleo, A	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN 694 ASSQ EBAI C
Beard, Annette, F	3	AFSOC HQ FM C
BEST, MICHAEL, ANTHONY	2	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FM M
Bickham, Lisa, A	2	AFSOC HQ FMJS C
Bohannon, Brittany, S	2	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FMA C
BRENA, JASON, E	2	AFSOC HURLBURT DMSK 1 M
BRIDGES, JOHN, A	1	AFSOC HURLBURT DMSK 7 M
Bridges, Linda, L	2	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FMP C
BROWN, ALEXIA, L	3	AFSOC HQ FM M
BRUNE, MARIA, ANDROMEDA	1	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FM M
Bryant, Latanya, D	3	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FM C
Bui, The, Trong	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN AF FZC C
BUSH, WARREN, JASON	1	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FM M
CARROLL, RYAN, COLE	1	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FM M
Carroll, Sarah, M	1	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FMAS C
Chaparro, Andres, E	2	AFSOC HURLBURT DMSK 4 CC C
Chapel, April, D	2	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FMA C
Chapman, Mandy, R	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN AF FZC C
Clapp, Dianna, Michelle	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN 695 ASSQ EBAC C
CLARK, SCOTT, GREGORY	1	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FM M
Clay, Connie, L	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN 682 ASSQ EBMS C
CLAYTON, KURTIS, BRETT	1	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FM M
Condit, Bryan, L	2	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 CEIAR C
CONRAD, KEVIN, ALAN	1	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FM M



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User Name	FM Level	Job Location Description
Cooper, Susan, M	2	AFSOC HQ FMAS C
Copeland, Mary, E	1	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FMF C
Copeland, Susan, A	2	AFSOC HQ FMJO C
COSTANZA, ANTHONY, C	2	AFSOC HURLBURT DMSK 4 M
Counsman, James, P	2	AFSOC HQ FMJS C
Cress, John, R	2	AFSOC HURLBURT 1 SOMED SGSR C
Cronin, Jennifer, J	2	AFSOC HQ FMAO C
DANOS, ALEHA, M	2	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FM M
Davis, Judy, B	3	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN DASG EBDF C
Davis, Katherine, D	3	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FMA C
Davis, Vanessa, Vass	2	AFMC AFRL EGLIN RWF3 C
Decocker, Jeffrey, M	3	AFSOC HQ FMJ C
Delaney, Brian, S	2	AFSOC HQ FMJO C
DELTOROCUERVO, JORGE, A	2	AFSOC HQ IG
Demars, Dawn, A	2	AFSOC HQ FMAO C
DESHIELDS, NADINE, NICOLE	1	AFSOC HURLBURT 1 SOCPTS M
DICKENS, ANTHONY, TYLER	1	AFSOC HURLBURT 23 STS M
DIXON, CINDY, J	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN 678 ASSQ EBDJ C
DOBLE, DANIEL, R	2	AFSOC HQ SAO
DURM, Jasmine, R	2	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FMA C
DUVALL, MISTY, STAR	1	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FM M
Edwards, Katenna	2	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FMA C
Eveland-Laws, Michele, M	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN AF EBYI C
FAILLA, KEVIN, D	1	AFSOC HURLBURT 1 SOCPTS M
FAJARDO, ARMANDO, C	3	AFSOC HURLBURT 1 SOCPTS M
Feagin, II, John, W	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN 672 ASSQ EBYC C
FETTERMAN, KIRSTIE, MARIE	1	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FM M
Figueroa, Richard	2	AFSOC HQ FMAS C
Fikes, Cynthia, A	2	AFSOC HQ FMJO C
FINGALL, ANDREW, ROBERT	2	AFSOC HQ FM M
FOLENDORE, MATTHEW, GRALIN	1	AFSOC HURLBURT 1 SOCPTS M
FOSTER, AMBER, LASHELLE	2	AFSOC HQ FM M
Fuentes, Vanessa, E	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN AF FZA C



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Gamble, Laura, NMI	2	AFSOC HQ A2 C
Gamon, Lisa, M	3	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN 308 ASG EBJF C
GIBSON, JANEL, NMI	2	AFSOC HURLBURT 1 SOCPTS M
GLENN, ETHEL, YOLANDA	2	AFSOC HQ FMJO C
GOMEZ, ADRIAN	1	AFSOC HURLBURT 1 SOCPTS M
GONZALEZ GAONA, JORGE	1	AFSOC HURLBURT DMSK 1 M
GoringBriley, Dorothy, O	1	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 SGSR C
GRACIA, DIANA	2	AFSOC HURLBURT DMSK 4 M
GRAY, STEPHEN, E	3	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FM M
GUNN, CATHERINE, M	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN 676 ASSQ EBJJ C
Hale, Sheila, M	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN ASSQ 696 EBAD2 C
Hall, Casey, R	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN AF FZC C
Hardy, Linda, C	2	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FMA C
Harland, Dennis	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN AF FZA C
HARRIS, ALJUANDA, F	2	AFSOC HURLBURT 1 SOCPTS M
Harris, Kaci, D	2	AFSOC HQ FMAS C
HARTER, BENJAMIN, A	2	AFSOC HQ FMAO C
Havercroft, Brent, Allen	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN AF FZC C
HEDGER, MELISSA, VON	1	AFSOC HURLBURT DMSK 3 M
Hendrickson, Matthew, W	1	AETC EGLIN FMA M
Herndon, David, L	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN 676 ASSQ EBJJ C
Herring, Christopher, J	2	AFSOC HURLBURT DMSK 3 CCQ C
Hickman, Dedra, L	2	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FMA C
HINES, SHELDON, UNDRELL	1	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FM M
Hoppel, Brianna, N	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN AF XZWA C
HORTA, JUAN, ALVAREZ	2	AFSOC HURLBURT DMSK 5 M
ILHAN, JACQUELINE, NMI	1	AFSOC HURLBURT 1 SOCPTS M
Jantzen, Sherry, L	1	ACC HURLBURT 505 FMH C
JAQUES, JAMES, GARRETT	2	AFSOC HURLBURT DMSK 7 M
Johnson, Todd, M	2	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FMQ C
Kendall, Roger, J	2	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FMA C
Kennedy, Kenneth, A	3	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN AF FZA C
KRISE, MYRANDA, L	1	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FMF C
LANDRUM, KADY, ANN	1	AFSOC HURLBURT 1 SOCPTS M
Lannaman, William, J	2	AFSOC HQ FMJS C



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LEAMAN, KRISTA, L	3	AFSOC HURLBURT 1 SOCPTS M
Lesnoski, Thomas, M	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN AF FZC C
LOBITOS, LEROY, J	2	AFSOC HURLBURT 1 SOCPTS M
LONG, HEATHER, L	2	AFSOC HQ FMAS C
LONGAKER, ANDREW, PAREJA	1	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FM M
LOVELESS, MICHAEL, JOHN	1	AFSOC HURLBURT 1 SOCPTS M
MAGEE, ELIJHAH, LE TWAUN D	1	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FM M
Marshall, Kathi, A	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN 680 ASSQ EBDI C
Martinez, Naymi	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN AF EBBA C
Matthews, Susan, L	2	AFSOC HQ FMAO C
Mcbride, Verna, J	2	AFMC AFRL EGLIN RWF2 C
Mckenzie, Charles, B	2	AETC EGLIN FMA FM C
McKinley, Kevin, J	2	AFSOC HURLBURT 24 SOW FM C
MCNAIR, MALCOLM, HASANI	1	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FM M
Mikos, Mary, B	2	AFSOC HURLBURT 1 SOCES CERF C
Miller, Jennifer, A	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN AF EBBD C
Millis, Ronald, F	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN AF EBBA C
MIRRO, DERON, L	3	AFSOC HQ FM M
Molloy, Karen, M	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN 695 ASSQ EBAC C
Moore, Carol, L	2	AFSOC HURLBURT 1 SOCPTS FMA C
Morales, Deanna, W	3	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN AF XZW C
Moriarty, Jacqueline, B	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN 675 ASSQ EBJI C
Morrison, Victoria, L	2	AFMC AFRL EGLIN RWF3 C
NAIR, RAJAT, RAJENDRAN	1	AFSOC HURLBURT 1 SOCPTS M
Nieten, Chiayin	2	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FMA C
Orness, II, Neil, G	2	AFMC AFRL EGLIN RWF3 C
Osgood, Tammy, L	12	AFMC AFLCMC ROBINS OGDEN EBHA C
Ostrander, Rebecca, G	2	AFSOC HQ FMAS C
Palmer, Alberta	2	AFSOC HQ A5A8 C
Patterson, Mark	2	AFSOC HQ FMJS C
PEPPER, MILO, HUGH NAVAR	1	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FM M
Phan, Amy, Jo	2	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FMA C
Phillips, Amanda, J	1	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FMA C
Phillips, Ryan, D	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN AF FZC C
PRIDDLE, DIANE, F	2	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FMA C



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Proulx, Theresa, M	2	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FMA C
RAMIREZ, DALE, J	2	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FM M
Rampley, Virginia, K	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN 693 ASSQ EBAS C
REBER, JOSHUA, EDWARD	1	AFSOC HURLBURT 1 SOCPTS M
Ritter, Sandra, J	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN AF FZA C
Rosa, Esperanza, C	2	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FMA C
Rupright, Susan, D	2	AFSOC HURLBURT 1 SOCPTS FMN C
SCHNELL, KRISTEN, S	2	AFSOC HQ FM M
SCOLLO, JOSHUA, IMMANUEL	1	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FM M
SIEGFRIED, MICHELE, K	2	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FMN C
SIMEON, DWAYNE, BERTRAND	1	AFSOC HURLBURT STT M
SOTO, ARNOLD, C	2	AFSOC HQ FM M
Stage, Patrick, A	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN AF FZC C
Stamp, Tania, H	1	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FMF C
STEPHENS, JACQUELINE, ANN	2	AFSOC HURLBURT DMSK 6 M
SWOPE, KEVIN, MICHAEL	2	AFSOC HURLBURT DMSK 4 M
Sypher, Kimberly, S	2	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FMA2 C
TAYLOR, LINDA, A	2	AFSOC HURLBURT 24 SOW FM M
Telemacque, Sandra	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN 694 ASSQ EBAI C
Tetla, Lori, A	3	AFSOC HQ FMAS C
Trail, Pamela, J	2	AFSOC HURLBURT DMSK 4 CC C
Tucker, Benita, M	2	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 CEIAR C
Ward, Coretta, D	2	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FMA C
WASHINGTON, LEE, E	2	AFSOC HQ FM M
Watson, Kent, A	3	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN AF FZC C
Weinstein, Cindy, A	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN ASSQ 696 EBAD1 C
WHITE, CHRISTINA	1	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 FM M
White, Maria, C	2	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 CEIAR C
Williams, Woxie, J	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN AF FZA C
Wilson, Lucille, E	2	AFMC AFLCMC EGLIN AF EZJW C
Wright, Rebecca, K	2	AFSOC HQ FMJS C
Young, Melanie, R	2	AFMC AFTC EGLIN 96 SGSR C
Young, Trista, J	2	AFSOC HURLBURT DMSK 6 CCQ C
ZYSKA, ANNA	2	AFSOC HURLBURT DMSD 2 M



Education/CDFM



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- To view a list of Gulf Coast Chapter CDFM awarded go to <http://www.asmconline.org/certification/cdfm-information/cdfm-awarded/> and search by chapter.
- CDFM Reimbursement: <http://www.gulfcoastasmc.org/cdfm.html>
(New rules and form dated 13 May 2015)
- Purchasing a CDFM Test Module: <http://www.asmconline.org/certification/cdfm-information/testing-resources/>
- Forgot your CDFM Candidate number: <http://www.asmconline.org/certification/get-my-candidate-id/>
- EDFMT Course Details/Schedule:
<http://www.asmconline.org/educationtraining/classroom-training/enhanced-defense-financial-management-training-course/>
 - Training information relating to the EDFMT course is available, if interested please contact Lisa Gamon, contact info provided below.
- We have Module 4 Acquisition Business Management training guides available, contact POCs listed below:

Education POC: Lisa Gamon, lisa.gamon.1@us.af.mil, 883-5336

CDFM POC: Edwina Freeman, edwina.freeman.1@us.af.mil, 883-5317

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Membership is available to individuals who are actively employed in military comptrollership, as active duty or civilian personnel for DoD or USCG.

Associate membership is available for those who don't meet the qualifications but are currently employed in a defense related financial management field.

Employees of private sector companies who are interested in ASMC membership may join under the corporate membership program.

New military members E1-E4 and civilian GS1-GS7 can be reimbursed for half of their yearly membership fee. *New members only.* I will be providing information about upcoming membership drives and other activities as they are planned. To register to become a new member, please visit the ASMC Website (Pg 9).

Chair: Heather Long, 884-2806, heather.long.7@us.af.mil



Websites



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We're on FACEBOOK!

We are pleased to announce that our Chapter's **Facebook** page is up and running! We will utilize this venue to share announcements of events and praises going on throughout our chapter. If you would like to submit a picture to share on the Chapter Facebook page, please email it to, gulfcoast.asmc@gmail.com, and be sure to include a caption. Pictures must be related to Chapter members/events. Be sure to like our page! <https://m.facebook.com/gulfcoast.asmc>.

ASMC WEBSITES

ASMC National Headquarters website is: <http://www.asmconline.org/>
Gulf Coast Chapter website is: <http://www.gulfcoastasmc.org/>

We are looking for new ideas to include on our webpage. Please contact our webmasters Jason Guzzardo (882-7595) if you have any questions, comments, or suggestions on chapter website issues.

NATIONAL NEWS

National PDI 2016 - held in Orlando, FL.

Please take advantage of other opportunities to fulfill your required CDFM CPEs to include local chapter training events, programs offered through the Online Learning Center, PDI 2011- 2015 recorded sessions, and Armed Forces Comptroller journal articles.

Use the link found on www.asmconline.org to register and take tests as applicable to get your credit.



Lawmakers Want a National Security Damage Assessment on the OPM Hack

by Aliya Sternstein, Dec 2nd, nextgov.com



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Several House committees want an unclassified report from President Barack Obama on the damage to U.S. spy operations wrought by the historic breach of federal employee background investigations.

The U.S. government has committed to spending \$330 million on anti-fraud protections for the 21.5 million victims whose Social Security numbers were compromised. Agencies have warned about risks to these individuals' financial security. But little has been said about the national security threats posed by the unprecedented exposure of personnel records.

The [House version](#) of the 2016 Intelligence Authorization Act would change that within four months of enactment.

Under the bill sent to the floor on Monday, the president must deliver a report covering the effects of the cyber intrusion "on each element of the intelligence community."

The rundown must include U.S. operations overseas that have been "entirely suspended" or disrupted as a result of hacks at the Office of Personnel Management allegedly perpetrated by China-sponsored cyber snoops.

Obama would have to explain how foreign agents might use the stolen data to put federal employees, their families and their friends in "compromising" positions that could expose sensitive national security information.

The report also must describe the impact of the hack on U.S. foreign policy decision making.

In addition, it would lay out how foreigners can exploit the stolen files for "recruiting intelligence assets" -- in other words, for turning U.S. operatives into traitors.

The proposal allows the administration to submit a classified annex to the unclassified report.

The legislation also calls for Director of National Intelligence James Clapper to brief congressional intelligence committees on options for responding to cyberattacks. Clapper has not indicated how, or if, the United States will retaliate against China. He has said the [OPM incident is not a cyberattack](#), saying it's similar to the kind of espionage conducted by many nations, including America.

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Lawmakers Want a National Security Damage Assessment on the OPM Hack

by Aliya Sternstein, Dec 2nd, nextgov.com



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Notably, the lawmakers want a cybersecurity analysis, not of OPM's safeguards, but successful controls at other agencies that have successfully thwarted hackers.

Obama must provide an assessment of the federal agencies that use "best practices to protect sensitive data, including a summary of any such best practices that were not used by the Office of Personnel Management," the measure states.

A newly-initiated White House Cybersecurity Strategy and Implementation Plan stresses learning from mistakes uncovered during a June "cyber sprint" held in the wake of the massive OPM breach.

"Let's learn from agencies that avoided incidents, not just those who have suffered incidents," John Pescatore, a one-time National Security Agency employee who is now a director at the SANS Institute, a security training organization, said last month. "OPM got breached but Social Security Administration gets attacked all the time, yet it wasn't breached." Pescatore added, "What can be learned from the ones who get As" on federal cybersecurity evaluations?

The records stolen from OPM include 127-page profiles on individuals who applied for clearances to access classified intelligence or other sensitive information. The forms catalog contact information of colleagues, neighbors and other associates, as well as medical histories, drug habits, sexual practices and a host of details on employees' daily lives.

Using such tidbits, an adversary can impersonate a trusted acquaintance to send malware-laced emails aimed at upending a U.S. intelligence official's job, said Richard Helms, who has spent 45 years in the intelligence community as both CIA employee and CIA contractor.

The malware, for example, could download criminal material, say child pornography, on a computer to discredit the official, he said.

"You identify who they are, and you find their associates, you find out where they work, where they travel. All of that data leads to the opposition being able to develop a really big picture of what U.S capabilities are," said Helms, who founded technology companies Abraxas Corp. and Ntrepid.



Info from Becker Professional Education



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