



ASMC Gulf Coast Chapter Newsletter

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Mr. Ken Pickler
Retired

President's Corner

Chapter Retiree Team Established

The Executive Council has approved the establishment of a Retiree Team, effective 1 Nov 22. This team is being chartered to provide opportunities for retired ASMC members to stay actively engaged in our chapter activities and events.

Ken Pickler, a former chapter president, is retiring 31 Oct 22, and has volunteered to lead the effort to stand up the team. He and Bill Rone, former AFSOC/FM director and chapter president, have begun initial discussions with the Exec Council to discuss near term opportunities for effective retiree engagement.

Their initial thoughts include mentoring new members that are willing to fill chapter vacancies, helping recruit speakers for luncheon and Regional Professional Development Institute programs, and assisting with event planning and logistics.

Ken welcomes suggestions for other ways our retired comptrollers can pay it forward to current and future generations. Please e-mail him at hfm2002@cox.net with your ideas, or to join the retiree team.

Be on the look out!

Emails will be sent out for the next Professional Development luncheon and RPDI save the date!

Please shop our Amazon Smile link to support our GC Chapter!

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/59-2139423>

amazon smile



Fisher House News



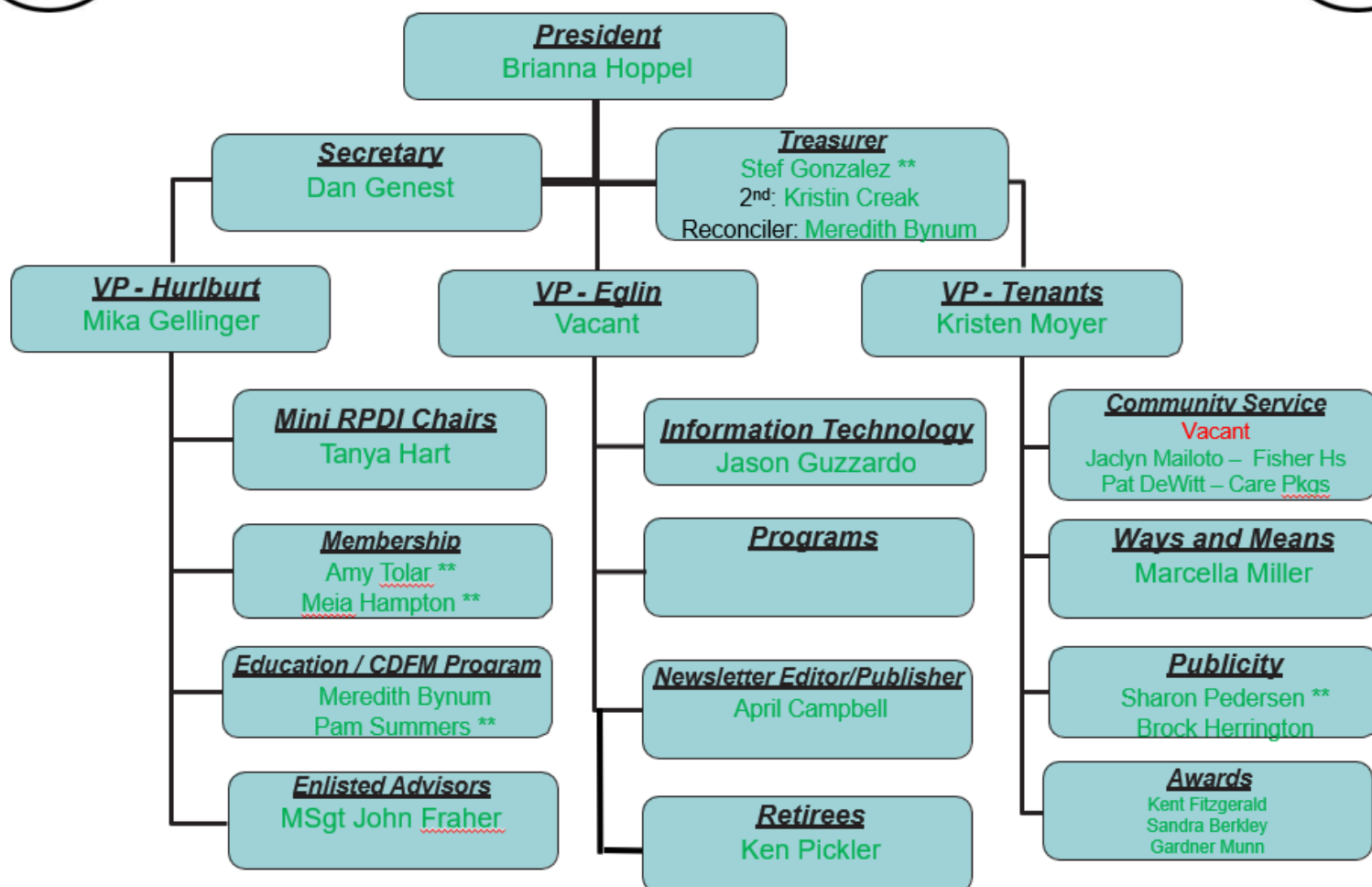
Fisher House operations continue to support individuals and their families. They are working with their partners at the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Defense to help safely care for military, veterans, and their families. If you have a loved one that needs treatment at Eglin AFB or VA medical center, please reach out directly to the local Fisher House to see availability.

What does this mean for ASMC Members?

Fisher House needs volunteer to provide prepared meals for their guest! Get your team together and contact Jaclyn LaFaurie for available dates!



2022-2023 Gulf Coast Chapter



Membership Benefits

ASMC members have exclusive access to some exciting new content, beginning with Engage. Engage is a valuable online professional collaboration tool, available to ASMC members and chapters. And as always, ASMC members receive quarterly issues of the AFC, Armed Forces Comptroller journal.

For complete ASMC Member benefits, go to this website: <https://asmconline.org/membership/benefits/>

AFC Journal

ASMC members receive a printed issue of the quarterly Armed Forces Comptroller and have access to the online version at no cost. To access the most recent four issues and their assessments for CPEs, please visit our Online Learning Center. Read the current issue of the AFC journal here. If you are a member and would like a copy of a past issue, please visit <https://asmconline.org/contact-us/>

ASMC Membership Information

The Value of CDFM/CDFM-A

In January 2021, the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense released a [Policy Memorandum](#) announcing the CDFM™ as one of five professional certifications that can serve as an “Alternative Professional Certification” to any of the three DFMCP certification levels. This exception to policy means you can now “present and maintain” the CDFM to meet any of the three DFMCP certification levels—earning the CDFM gives you a transferable, test-based credential that can be used anywhere in Federal service or the private sector!

Benefits:

- OUSD(C) accepts actively-maintained CDFM or CDFM-A certification as an alternative to any level of DFMCP certification
- The CDFM (to include the CDFM-A) is one of the DoD-approved professional certifications that the DoD Financial Management Certification Program “Recommends” at DFMC Level 2 and “Strongly Recommends” at DFMC Level 3
- Marketable, recognized credential to prospective employers and clients
- Earning a voluntary, professional certification indicates your level of initiative and distinguishes you from others in the field
- Enhances your career and reputation
- Certificates are listed on ASMC’s website registry
- New certificates are listed in the Armed Forces Comptroller (AFC), ASMC’s quarterly journal
- Shows growth and advancement within the profession
- Pride at being a part of a prestigious organization that supports the profession
- A beautiful, high-quality wall certificate displays your accomplishment
- ASMC Chapter and/or on-the-job recognition
- Certification maintenance requirements necessitate your continuing professional development and ensure that you stay current with industry trends and changes

ASMC Membership Types

Active Members

Persons who are or have been employed within the defense financial management field of the federal government or associated with it (contractor, etc.) and who, to remain in good standing, have paid the appropriate dues and fees. The new fee is \$50 for one year or \$120 for three years. The membership fee is non-refundable and non-transferrable and part of this fee goes to your chapter.

Lifetime Members

ASMC Lifetime members are recognized in the Armed Forces Comptroller once a year for their long-time support of the society. There are two categories of Lifetime membership with ASMC:

Lifetime Members (Non-dues paying – 30 years)

Any individual member achieving 30 (thirty) consecutive years of membership in ASMC qualifies for Lifetime (Non-dues Paying) membership, without any other stipulations. Non-dues paying Lifetime members do not receive a print copy of the AFC journal but can access the online version at any time. This revised policy was approved by the ASMC National Executive Committee (ASMC Board) in December 2016. Non-dues paying lifetime members also include members who are past National Presidents and who, to remain in good standing, have paid the appropriate consecutive dues and fees.

Lifetime Members (Dues paying – 20 years)

Any individual member achieving 20 (twenty) consecutive years of membership in ASMC qualifies for Lifetime (Dues paying) membership.

Retiree Members

Retiree Membership recognizes those ASMC members who are “fully retired” and not working in any other profession other than occasionally doing “volunteer” work. Unless requested by the Retiree member, Retirees will remain dues paying members, in order to continue to receive a print copy of the AFC journal. (Retirees may request to be non-dues paying and receive online AFC access only.)

Corporate Membership

Corporate Membership is available for private sector companies interested in the military comptrollership field and have paid the appropriate fees. View pricing and benefits for corporate membership.

Honorary Membership

May be conferred upon persons making significant contributions to military comptrollership who are not eligible for, or who would not otherwise be expected to join, one of the other classes of membership. Honorary membership must be approved by the National Executive Committee, and has no fee.

National News

Digital Drivers Forum set for Jan. 17

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By Marisa Alia-Novobilski

Air Force Materiel Command

WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, Ohio

The Department of the Air Force Digital Transformation Office will host a virtual Digital Drivers Forum, Jan. 17, to connect members of the digital transformation community and drive strategic alignment on priorities taking shape for 2023.

Airmen, Guardian and civilian members of the digital community are invited to participate in open discussions focused on recent accomplishments, emerging program priorities, enterprise digital needs and more. Attendees will have the opportunity to share best practices and gain insights to possible solutions to ongoing digital challenges across the enterprise.

“Going ‘digital’ gives us a competitive advantage over our adversaries. This event is an opportunity for members of the digital community to become more aware of gaps, needs and opportunities across the enterprise,” said Noah Demerly, Automation Lead, Department of the Air Force Digital Transformation Office. “We want to foster greater open communication and tactical engagement across the community. We encourage all digital ‘do-ers’ to attend so we can collaboratively have a greater impact over the coming year.”

To learn more about the event and register, visit <http://dafdto-20929421.hs-sites.com/youre-invited-to-the-2023-digital-drivers-forum>. A link to the ZoomGov event will be provided upon registration confirmation.

DAF Civilian Development nomination call window opens Jan. 17

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Air Education and Training Command Public Affairs

JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-RANDOLPH, Texas

The applicant window for the AY24 Department of the Air Force Civilian Developmental (CD) Nomination Call will open Jan. 17, 2023.

Interested civilians should begin prepping their applications now. Once the application window opens, submit application package through MyVECTOR not later than Feb. 17, 2023. Late applications will not be accepted. Once the application is submitted, leaders must endorse packages by Mar. 10, 2023.

The Civilian Development Team will provide numerous webcasts to aid members in preparing for the upcoming CD Call. [Click here](#) to view the upcoming webcast schedule.

Please view the below myVECTOR links below for additional CD program information:

*A list of available programs and the level at which selections are made is available at [through the AY24 CDE Program Listing](#) *Program eligibility by grade can be found in the CDE Portfolio and additional program information

*Does not apply to employees in Term, Temporary, or Indefinite/Military Spouse appointments or dual-hatted Air National Guard members.

For additional AETC Civilian Development Nomination Call resources (Civilians We Need Roadmaps, Resume Prep, etc.), please visit the [AETC/A1DF MilSuite](#) page.

Questions regarding the application process can be sent via email to

HQAETC.A1DF.CivForceDev@us.af.mil.