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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I hope all of you had a wonderful and safe holiday season with plenty of time off in order to come back refreshed! Several thoughts to share with you as we start a new calendar year.

At AAC, we said good-bye to Steve Herrera, AAC/FM Deputy Director. He's heading to the Pentagon and I am sure we will soon see his name emblazoned across national news and the Washington ASMC chapter newsletters! We wish him luck - he will be missed.

I hate to start the new year with a nag, but here it goes: please watch for opportunities to serve your chapter - through volunteering, attending luncheons and fund-raising. Did I mention fund raising? We have limited opportunities on base to raise funds. Our largest ability to ensure continued chapter operations to include scholarships lies in the RPDS. So when we put out a call for a doughnut sale or some other smaller event, please thoughtfully consider what you can do to help. Some examples of those operational funds include sponsorship of audio-conferences from National on budget and other timely and pertinent subjects; pursuit of CDFM; and other chapter paid events like the July luncheon (still in jeopardy!) or make contributions to community

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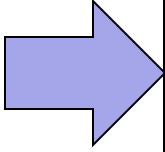
President's Column – Continued

needs such as Fisher and Shelter Houses. Thanks for listening and we look forward to seeing you raise your hand!

RPDS. Registration is open. It's low cost training with some very pertinent subjects for all financial managers and contracting employees. Please get with your supervisor, seek permission to go, register and get your SF182 completed and your GPC holder to pay the fee.

Leah

January Luncheon



Join us for the January 19 luncheon at the Eglin Club, 12 PM. Laura Brooks, a health promotion specialist, and Nicole Smith-Azar, a health educator, will discuss making lasting healthy New Year's resolutions.

Contact Jon Slingerland, Kaci Harris, or Jenna Colon for sign-up, or see flyer elsewhere in this newsletter.

ASMC Awards

The National Scholarship Program runs from Jan-Mar 2012.

The ASMC National Scholarship Program is accepting applications from graduating HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS entering a field of study related to financial/resource management 1 Jan-21 Mar 2012.

For eligibility criteria, go to:

<http://www.asmconline.org>,

- Click "Scholarship Awards" (in a black colored box near the top)
- Click (Dropdown) "National Scholarship Program"
- Click "Download Full Criteria"

For an APPLICATION, see the Education tab on our local website.

PLEASE MAIL YOUR PACKAGES NOT LATER THAN MARCH 21, 2012 to:

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Our local Gulf Coast Chapter Scholarship Program will be advertised approximately April 1, 2012. This program is limited to high school seniors and college students that will have 60 semester hours of college completed by the end of their Spring 2012 semester.

2011 Holiday Party

The 2011 ASMC holiday party was held on 6 Dec at Luke's Place, Eglin AFB. This year's party included a dessert competition. The judges spent an intense time carefully tasting and rating all the desserts, and the prizes were awarded to the following winners:

Category: Cakes

- 1st place - Lynn Becker, AAC/FMC, Red Velvet Cheese Cake
- 2nd place - Mandy Chapman of 46 TW with Chocolate Trifle
- 3rd place (tie) - Maika Andrew, 96 CPTS/FMAS (ALO), Pumpkin Cheese Cake
- 3rd place (tie) - Susan Ashworth, AAC/EBAI, German Chocolate Upside-Down Cake

Category: Pies

- 1st place - Tom Walker, 33 FW, Homemade Banana Pudding Pie With Vanilla Wafer Crust

Category: Cookies

- 1st place - Maureen Flanders, 1 SOCPTS, Peanut Butter Blossom Cookies

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2011 Holiday Party – PICTURES



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*More photos
of the
contests and
people of
Gulf Coast
ASMC*



2012 Regional Professional Development Seminar

The 2012 Regional Professional Development Seminar (RPDS) will be held on Thursday, March 8, 2012, at the Emerald Coast Conference Center. Registration is now open. In accordance with current fiscal demands, this year's event will cost only \$110.00 providing an outstanding day of training both beneficial and economical. We offer a one stop shop to get 6.0 CPE's and valuable job related training to support our daily mission.

A first this year will be the offering of the proctored Certified Defense Financial Management (CDFM) testing at the RPDS. This is a great opportunity for those who still need one or two tests to be awarded their CDFM to sit for the test. You can pick from the four modules, depending on need. Additionally, contact Ron Millis if interested in trying to obtain a seat, with supervisor's approval of course, to the February EDFMT coming to Eglin – perfect opportunity to complete those tests if you are attending that course! Also, please remember these tests are \$95.00 each. When you register, Ron Millis will contact you prior to the RPDS to get the payment as these must be paid for in advance. So if you need to test, please make sure to choose the CDFM-testing in Session 3 or 4 when registering.

Registration is now open and attached is the program schedule showing subjects for each session. We have been committed throughout the program building process to keeping this as valuable, viable training--at a very low cost.

Follow this link to register today <http://www.gulfcoastasmc.org/rpds/>. We are looking forward to seeing you in March!

RPDS Co-Chairs, Dedra Hickman, Ivonne Caridi-Anderson, Alyce Frederick, Dana Alexander

Minutes: Executive Council & Regular Meetings

The ASMC Luncheon Meeting minutes and the Executive committee meeting minutes are now 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.

2012 Regional Professional Development Seminar

0800 to 0930 Opening speaker Major General Joseph Ward, Commandant, Joint Forces Staff College, National Defense University

8:30 to 9:45 Break/Move to Session 1

9:45 to 10:35 Session 1

Microsoft Excel Tips and Tricks

Financial Planning

EVM - Importance to Program Mgt

Changes in Cost Estimating

Financial Improvement Audit Readiness

Certified Defense Financial Management—Why it's Important

Deployed Panel – Experiences from the Front

DEAMS - What is it and how does it affect FMs?

Contractor's Perspective of Gov't Contracting

Defense Contract Audit Agency

Small Business Perspective

10:35 to 10:45 Break/Move to Session 2

10:45 to 11:35 Session 2

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11:35 to 1:00 Luncheon with Speaker Peg Drummond:

Super Meetings – Making Teams Work!

1:00 to 1:15 Break/Move to Session 3

1:15 to 2:05 Session 3

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2:05 to 2:15 Move to General Session

2:15 to 2:45 General Session for Awards and Recognition

2:45 to 3:00 Snack/Break/Move to Session 4

3:00 to 3:50 Session 4

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CDFM

CDFM Testing (All MODs) will be available during the RPDS 8 March 2012 and until 1200 hrs 9 March 2012. Please contact Ron Millis or Lisa Gamon for details.

The five day Enhanced Defense Financial Management Training Course is scheduled for 13-17 Feb 2012 on Eglin AFB . The course is provided by the Department of Defense and is licensed and copyrighted by the American Society of Military Comptrollers. If you are interested in attending this course please register using the EDFMT Registration link below. Only 4 of the 30 seats are currently available for USAF personnel and shared between Eglin and Hurlburt Field. Attendees will be expected to complete CDFM certification within a reasonable timeframe after course completion.

13-17 Feb 12 * Time: 0800-1630 * Location: Bldg 871 Rm 1, Eglin AFB
EDFMT Registration: <https://www.atrrs.army.mil/edfmt/>

Module 1: <http://www.asmconline.org/certification/cdfm-modules/module-1-resource-management-environment/>

Module 2: <http://www.asmconline.org/certification/cdfm-modules/module-2-budget-cost-analysis/>

Module 3: <http://www.asmconline.org/certification/cdfm-modules/module-3-accounting-finance/>

Any questions call Ron Millis 883-1896 or Lisa Gamon 883-3465.

Ways & Means – Jennifer Denega, Cleo Battle

Recent Fundraising Results:

\$57.00 Eglin Gift-Wrapping

\$150.00 Belk Charity Sale Ticket Sales (additional
proceeds pending from Belk Corporation)

Thank you to all our volunteers. Have a Blessed New Year!

The committee is always looking for members and volunteers to help with our fundraising events. POCs are aurelia.battle@eglin.af.mil (883-0371) and jennifer.denega@eglin.af.mil (883-0158). **Your ideas are always welcome!**

UPDATES:

PET WELFARE ANIMAL SHELTER (EGLIN): Thank to everyone who volunteered at Pet Welfare on 3 December. We were able to take care of projects the staff is not able to complete on a daily basis as they care for the animals. We replaced tarps over enclosures, trimmed bushes, raked leaves, washed walls and floors, etc. We will do it again in February or March timeframe. If interested, please email Maika at Maika.Andrew@eglin.af.mil.

GIVE A CHILD A CHRISTMAS (GACAC): Our ASMC chapter sponsored arts and crafts at the Give a Child a Christmas on 10 December. Thanks to the volunteers who assisted the children. The time you gave helped brighten the holidays for 160 children.

UP-COMING EVENTS:

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY: Our chapter has an opportunity to help build the next Habitat for Humanity Home in Fort Walton Beach! Construction is planned to begin after the holidays, although specific dates have not been scheduled yet. If interested in assisting, please forward name to Maika at Maika.Andrew@eglin.af.mil.

RELAY FOR LIFE: Our ASMC Relay for Life team meeting will be Tuesday, 24 January, at 1300 at the 96 CPTS Conference Room, Bldg 260 on Eglin AFB. For more information, please contact Maika at Maika.Andrew@eglin.af.mil.

ON-GOING EVENTS:

DEPLOYABLE CARE PACKAGES: Items requested include reading materials (sports, fitness/health, car/motorcycle magazines), snacks (nuts, crackers, cookies etc.), toiletries (travel size, shower gel, shampoo, tooth paste, and foot powder/spray etc) and 3-in-1 laundry/dryer sheets. Continue to send names of FM troops that are deployed. POC: Patrick.Dewitt@eglin.af.mil and Gabi at Gabriella.geier-dureitz@eglin.af.mil.

FISHER HOUSE: The Eglin Fisher House is in need of bottled water and sodas for the occupants. Monetary donations towards the cost of the cable bill are also welcome. If interested in donating, please contact Brianna at Brianna.hoppel@eglin.af.mil.

Community Service

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PROGRAMS SUPPORTED:

1. Emerald Coast Children Advocacy (ECCAC)
2. Habitat for Humanity - creating affordable housing opportunities
3. Relay for Life - fight against cancer
4. Fisher House - providing home away from home that enables family members to be close to a love one during stressful times
5. Blankets of Hope - handmade blankets supporting wounded soldiers/vets
6. Shelter House - survivors of domestic violence
7. Opportunity Inc - helping the homeless
8. Deployable Care Packages - sent to FM (deployed) troops
9. Give a Child a Christmas
10. Pyramid – provides daily living skills to nearly 100 Emerald Coast adults with disabilities through art programs

Finally, help us keep track of your volunteer hours – email us. As always your suggestions welcomed!

POCs: Brianna Hoppel, Brianna.hoppel@eglin.af.mil, 883-4787
Maika Andrew, Maika.andrew@eglin.af.mil, 882-0098

Air Force to offer second round of buyouts

By Caitlin Fairchild cfairchild@govexec.com January 4, 2012

The Air Force will offer another round of buyouts and early outs to civilian employees beginning Jan. 9, the service announced Tuesday.

Part of an overall effort to return civilian funding to 2010 levels, this follows 6,000 buyout offers in September 2011 and a hiring freeze that lasted from August to December.

"We are pursuing all available force management measures, to include civilian hiring controls where required, with the goal of avoiding involuntary measures for our current permanent workforce," said Maj. Gen. Sharon Dunbar, the director of force management policy.

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Civilian Air Force employees will receive eligibility surveys beginning Jan. 9. Employees must apply by Feb. 3 and if approved, will have to leave by April 30.

"The Air Force recognizes the invaluable contributions of our civilian workforce, but also recognizes the fiscal constraints under which the Department of Defense and the government as a whole are operating," Dunbar said. "We are working to balance mission needs while taking care to minimize the effect on our current permanent civilian workforce and their families."

ASMC Annual Awards

EXTRA! EXTRA! What time is it? It is time to reward the hard work of our financial managers throughout Eglin and Hurlburt. I know we have some outstanding performers for 2011 and it is time to recognize them for their tireless efforts. Commanders and supervisors as you construct those 1206s for our Air Force awards please consider taking the time to tailor that information and submit your outstanding FMer for one of our chapter awards.

The Gulf Coast Chapter Annual Award nominations for 2011 are due to Maj Yolanda Glenn NLT **13 Jan 2012**. Awards will be presented at the Regional PDS on 8 March 2012. Please see the attached nomination form and instructions. You do not need to be a supervisor to nominate someone for an award. Categories are Accounting and Finance, Acquisition/Cost Analysis, Auditing, Budgeting, Comptroller/Deputy Comptroller, Contractor Support, Financial Systems, Intern/Trainee, Resource Management, Team Achievement (Small: 2-10; Large: 11-20).

ASMC National Awards program also has several upcoming deadlines. Nominations for the Essay Contest are due **31 Jan 2012**; National Scholarship Program nominations are due **31 March 2012**; Members Continuing Education Grant nominations are due **31 March 2012**, and nominations for Chapter Competition Program are due **31 March 2012**. All nominations must be submitted through the National ASMC Awards Online website at <http://awards.asmconline.org>. Contact Maj Glenn at 884-4940 or by email at yolanda.glenn@hurlburt.af.mil or Tammy Robbins, 883-4335, email tammy.robbins@eglin.af.mil with your questions.

Membership

Chair, Kent Fitzgerald

Our current membership as of November 2011 is 377.

I receive numerous queries asking, 1) what to do if someone wants to join our chapter, 2) what to do if they have transferred from another chapter, 3) how to change their address. The easiest thing to do is go to www.asmconline.com and click the Membership tab. Under that tab there are two options to Join and/or Edit Profile. There are instructions to guide you through each process.

I've have gathered this chapter demographic information and put it the newsletter a couple of time in the past. I thought it would be interesting to compare current membership, (first set of data) with some 2005 (second set of data) membership information. A couple of the takeaways are there has been an influx of younger members and the chapter's efforts to increase enlisted membership is appears to be working.

Of our Current 377 members, the oldest is 78, the youngest 21.

Age Group	Total	Female to Males	
70-79	5	237 - 140 (we know who's driving this train)	
60-69	31		
50-59	111	Enlisted	37
40-49	105	Officers	22
30-39	58	Civil Service	290
20-29	36	Others	28

22 Of our members are Life Members (20+ continuous years as an ASMC member)

2005 data, 327 members, oldest 73 and youngest 21.

Age Group	Total	Female to Males	
70-79	2	218	111
60-69	12		
50-59	97	Enlisted	18
40-49	122	Officers	31
30-39	59	Civil Service	254
20-29	28	Others	26

If you have any question, call me, 883-0571.

Christmas Party & Toy Drive

ASMC members enjoyed the annual Christmas Party with a pasta bar at Luke's Place, Eglin AFB. The attendees played some games, with prizes of \$25 gift certificates for area restaurants.

Once again, members generously donated toys and games that were later taken to the Emerald Coast Children's Advocacy Center for distribution. ECCAC was very happy ASMC members took the time to donate gifts to the children who may not have received gifts for Christmas. At right is a picture that they took of a little girl, her mom, the director, and me, holding a few gifts. Below is a thank-you note.

David L Herndon
ASMC VP of Tenants



Dec. 14, 2011

Dear David,

Thank you for your recent donation to CAC. Your thoughtfulness and generosity are appreciated by our staff and the families we serve.

Best Wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Angie
CAC Volunteer



Current & Next Meetings and other ASMC events

UPCOMING ASMC LUNCHEON – Mark your calendars:

Jan 19: Lasting Healthy New Year's Resolutions, Eglin Club,
1200

Mar 8: Annual RPDS, 0700-1600, Emerald Coast Conference
Center.

Please contact our Program Chairs Jon Slingerland, Kaci Harris,
or Jenna Colon if you have any questions, comments, or
suggestions on program issues.

ASMC Websites

ASMC National Headquarters website is <http://www.asmconline.org/>

Our chapter website is <http://www.gulfcoastasmc.org/>

We are looking for new ideas to include on our webpage. Please contact
our webmasters Jason Guzzardo (882-0055) or David Loch (882-0057) if
you have any questions, comments, or suggestions on chapter website
issues.

National News

For more details, see www.asmconline.org.

The ASMC Online Learning Center currently offers recorded
sessions from the past two PDIs as well as access to quarterly
ASMC Journals and a short exam associated with them. PDI
workshops and the Journal exams offer Continuing Professional
Education (CPE) credit and a certificate to validate user
participation.

[http://www.asmconline.org/educationtraining/online-
education/pdi-online/](http://www.asmconline.org/educationtraining/online-education/pdi-online/)

Some of the PDI 2011 workshops and the keynote speaker
address (Hon Robert Hale, DoD Comptroller) may be accessed
from this website, too.

***Remember our local website is <http://www.gulfcoastasmc.org/>
and ASMC national is <http://www.asmconline.org/>***

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Professional Development Luncheon Presents

Lasting, Healthy New Year's Resolutions

Speakers:

***Laura Brooks, Health Promotion Specialist, Civilian
Health Promotion Services***

***Nicole Smith-Azar, Health Educator, Health and
Wellness Center***

***Behavior change to go along with making
resolutions successful!***

Date: Jan 19th, 2012

Place: Eglin Bayview Club, Party Rooms

Time: 12:00pm

"Pay as you go buffet"

Club members \$7.50/Non-members \$9.50

Registration via A3 web site:

<https://afkm.wpafb.af.mil/ASPs/Reg/Register.asp?Filter=00-ED-AA-A2&Eventid=1>

POCs: Jon Slingerland, Kaci Harris, or Jenna Colon