ASMC GULF COAST CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2018



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President's Corner



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ASMC Members,

Happy New Year everyone! I hope everyone was able to take a nice break during the holidays. A big thank you to the ASMC committee members that dedicated their time and talents to make our Gulf Coast Chapter thrive this past year. An even bigger thank you to Mika Gellinger for spearheading this year's gift wrapping fundraiser at the BX, we raised over \$300! Volunteering benefits both the community and the volunteer themselves. When someone donates a little time, the difference made is huge and it helps a community for the better while the experience improves the person who donated the time. Please consider volunteering and make a difference.

Additionally, let's make a New Year's resolution to recognize chapter members for excellence in financial management. As a reminder, the ASMC National Achievement Award nominations are due 31 January 2018. Please ...continued on next page

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.



President's Corner



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take the time to nominate an someone that deserves recognition for excellence in financial management. ASMC annually recognizes the outstanding accomplishments of its chapters and members of the defense financial management community through its national awards program. Those selected by the awards committee will be honored at the 2018 PDI in Denver, Colorado.

By the way, award recipients for ASMC National Awards pay no registration fee to attend National PDI. We are looking forward to seeing everyone at the January luncheon on 24 January at the Golden Corral in Ft Walton Beach. The guest speaker is Mr. David Herndon and he will be sharing his experience with volunteering with FEMA and its efforts to support victims of the 2017 hurricane season.

Regards,

Rob Turpin ASMC Gulf Coast Chapter, Vice President - Tenants



Upcoming Events



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JANUARY LUNCHEON

When: 24 January

Where: Golden Corral, Fort Walton Beach

What: Mr. David Herndon, Experience of working with FEMA

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

FEBRUARY LUNCHEON

When: 28 February

Where: Murphy's Place, Catered "TBD"
What: 7th Special Forces Group Overview

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

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A huge "Thank you" to Lisa Gamon, Gretchen Montalto, Ivonne Caridi-Anderson, Serena Nieten, Theresa Proulx, Capt Tiffanie Katz, Esperanza Rosa, Mandy Chapman, Yolanda Staley, Caroline Griffin, SrA Sarah Huggins, Rob Turpin and Mrs. Turpin, Vanessa Fuentes, Susan Ashworth, Sandra Berkley, Briana Ross, Meredith Bynum, Bobbie Jo Szukala and Kerry Young for volunteering at the BX Gift Wrapping Fundraising Event in Dec. We raised \$300.67.

Welcome to **AmazonSmile!**

Thank you for supporting Gulf Coast Chapter of ASMC Armament Div Corp Acct. Remember, always start at https://smile.amazon.com/ch/59-2139423 and Amazon will donate **0.5%** of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases.

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Membership



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Hello ASMC Members,

We are spreading the news from ASMC National...

Beginning December 2017, "National" ASMC will launch a membership renewal incentive. They will hold a monthly random drawing of \$50 and \$150 gift cards.

HOW CAN YOU GET YOUR NAME IN THIS ASMC "NATIONAL" RANDOM MONTHLY DRAWING?

Just renew your membership 'any time' before it expires and your name will be entered in the drawing for the month the renewal took place:

- Members who renew their membership on a timely basis for 1 year (Any time before it expires) will be included in the drawing for one of two \$50 gift cards.
- Members who renew on a timely basis for 3 years will be included in a drawing for one \$150 gift card.

"National" ASMC will announce the winners of the gift cards on our website and through social media, and they will contact the winners themselves.

ASMC "NATIONAL" GUIDELINES:

Members may renew at anytime before their membership expires to be included in the random drawings. For example, a member with a current 30 March 2018 paid thru date can renew this December and be included in the drawing among members who renewed in December. Basically the month in which the member renews (provided it is at anytime before their membership expires) determines the month in which they will be entered into the drawing for the \$50 or \$100 dollar gift cards.

Read more about the incentive http://www.asmconline.org/2017/11/asmc-newsletter-november-2017/

To find out your membership expiration date, log on to your profile, and while you're there, please review to ensure all data is up to date.

Here is a link to renew: http://www.asmconline.org/membership/renew/

On behalf of ASMC National and our Chapter, we thank all the members who renew timely, and also those who keep your profiles up to date. (Don't forget to update your chapter if you have PCS'd.)

If you need membership assistance, contact any of our Membership Committee members: Kathi Marshall, Nicole Allen, or Ivonne Caridi-Anderson.



Community Service



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Fisher House:

Below are the next set of dates our ASMC chapter has committed to serve dinner at the Fisher House. A small team of volunteers (can be 3 or 4) prepares and serves a meal for the Fisher House guests. We volunteer a couple of hours, from 1700 to 1900 approximately. Maika Andrew coordinates with FH on guest count, menu or anything else that arises. This is a great way to give back to our community and can be a great team building activity.

- 23 Jan 17
- 6 Feb 18
- 27 Feb 18
- 13 Mar 18
- 27 Mar 18

If anyone is interested in volunteering to provide a dinner with the Fisher House, you may call Maika Andrew at 850-420-8893, email

maika.andrew.1@us.af.mil or

Mercedes Suarez at 882-0114.



Relay for Life:

Comptrollers for a Cause has a fundraiser on 19 January 2018 with the Fort Walton Beach, Buffalo Wild Wings.

We will receive 20% of every restaurant check when the customer shows the flyer on the next page. The flyer can be printed out and handed to the server or it can be shown to the server from your phone and we will still receive credit.

Comptrollers for a Cause has also established a Team Email: ComptrollerRelay@outloook.com to add to your emailing lists. POC: SSgt Scott Clark



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/
- EDMFT: Eglin ASMC will not host the EDFMT Course this year as we were unsuccessful in meeting the mandatory requirement (25 student minimum) for our May 2017 class. For those interested in taking the EDFMT course this year, you may register at https://www.atrrs.army.mil/edfmt/. Please contact Edwina Freeman at information provided below if you have any questions.
- We have Module 4 Acquisition Business Management training guides available, contact POCs listed below:

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



Websites





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. Be sure to look at the Facebook Page for the latest Giveaway!!



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 2018 - held in Denver, CO.

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- 2016 recorded sessions, and Armed Forces Comptroller journal articles.

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



Congress Likely to Consider Another Short-Term Funding Measure



By Erich Wagner, 11 Jan 18, govexec.com



House Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy, R-Calif., said Thursday that lawmakers should expect to vote on yet another stopgap measure to fund the government ahead of a Jan. 19 shutdown deadline.

McCarthy announced that another short-term continuing resolution is likely during a discussion with Minority Whip Steny Hoyer, D-Md., about the chamber's schedule for next week.

Congress faces the prospect of a government shutdown in eight days, if lawmakers cannot come to an agreement on a spending deal. Lawmakers also must act to increase budget caps for defense and non-defense spending, or a sequester will kick in, in accordance with the 2011 Budget Control Act.

Even if lawmakers come to an agreement on a long-term spending deal before the Jan. 19 deadline, they likely will need additional time in order to craft accompanying legislation, McCarthy said, requiring a short-term CR.

"We have been in discussion to try to get a budget agreement, and I can hope that we can have that done this time," he said. "But if we are able to get to that budget agreement, we'll still need some time for appropriators to do their work, so we'll have to have a CR."

McCarthy said next week's continuing resolution would be "clean," or without other policy initiatives. But Hoyer reminded him of several issues that Democrats have demanded action on in exchange for their support.

"We want to make sure we can protect our 'Dreamers'... and we also need to do something with the Children's Health Insurance Program," Hoyer said. "We also need a supplemental [disaster relief bill] for Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and Texas. Now, we've passed the supplemental here, but not the Senate."

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Negotiators reportedly have been seeking a two-year deal to raise spending caps, which currently restrict government spending to \$549 billion for defense and \$516 billion for non-defense agencies in fiscal 2018. Democrats have advocated for the caps to increase by equal amounts for both defense and non-defense spending.

Despite the positive tones from party leaders on the talks, uncertainty has surrounded the subject because Democrats have said they would not support any agreement that did not include reauthorization of CHIP or protections for participants in Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, an Obama administration program preventing the deportation of around 800,000 undocumented immigrants who were brought to the United States as children. President Trump announced in the fall that he would end the program early in 2018.

Thursday saw two potential breakthroughs. According to The Hill, House Energy and Commerce Committee Chairman Greg Walden, R-Ore., told reporters that he plans to bring a <u>six-year reauthorization</u> of CHIP to the floor next week, and a bipartisan group of six senators led by Sens. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., and Dick Durbin, D-Ill., released a statement Thursday afternoon announcing that they had reached a deal on DACA and other immigration issues.

"We have been working for four months and have reached an agreement in principle that addresses border security, the diversity visa lottery, chain migration/family reunification and the Dream Act—the areas outlined by the president," the senators wrote. "We are now working to build support for that deal in Congress."

Their statement did not get into the details of the deal, and it remains to be seen whether the House, other senators or the White House would go along with whatever they plan to put forward. President Trump has insisted that he receive funding for a wall along the U.S.-Mexico border in conjunction with any DACA fix, while some Democrats have urged their leaders to reject any proposal that cannot be considered a "clean" Dream Act.