# ASMC GULF COAST CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2017



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# Upcoming Events



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## **NOVEMBER LUNCHEON**

When: 16 Nov 2017

Where: Soundside, Hurlburt

What: Brig Gen James D. Peccia III, AFMC Dir., Fin Mgmt & Comptroller

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

## **DECEMBER LUNCHEON**

When: 12 Dec 2017

Where: West Gate Chapel, Eglin AFB

What: ASMC Holiday Party!

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

#### WAYS AND MEANS

Welcome to **AmazonSmile!** 

Thank you for supporting Gulf Coast Chapter of ASMC Armament Div Corp Acct. Remember, always start at <a href="https://smile.amazon.com/ch/59-2139423">https://smile.amazon.com/ch/59-2139423</a> 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: <a href="http://www.asmconline.org/membership/renew/">http://www.asmconline.org/membership/renew/</a>

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.

- 9 Jan 17
- 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 <a href="maika.andrew.1@us.af.mil">maika.andrew.1@us.af.mil</a> or Mercedes Suarez at 882-0114.

Thanks to **96 CPTS** FM

Team for providing November dinner!







# Education/CDFM



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- To view a list of Gulf Coast Chapter CDFM awarded go to <a href="http://www.asmconline.org/certification/cdfm-information/cdfm-awarded/">http://www.asmconline.org/certification/cdfm-information/cdfm-awarded/</a> and search by chapter.
- CDFM Reimbursement: <a href="http://www.gulfcoastasmc.org/cdfm.html">http://www.gulfcoastasmc.org/cdfm.html</a> (New rules and form dated 13 May 2015)
- Purchasing a CDFM Test Module: <a href="http://www.asmconline.org/certification/cdfm-information/testing-resources/">http://www.asmconline.org/certification/cdfm-information/testing-resources/</a>
- 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 <a href="https://www.atrrs.army.mil/edfmt/">https://www.atrrs.army.mil/edfmt/</a>. 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, <a href="mailto:gulfcoast.asmc@gmail.com">gulfcoast.asmc@gmail.com</a>, and be sure to include a caption. Pictures must be

related to Chapter members/events. Be sure to like our page! <a href="https://m.facebook.com/gulfcoast.asmc">https://m.facebook.com/gulfcoast.asmc</a>. Be sure to look at the Facebook Page for the latest Giveaway!!



## **ASMC WEBSITES**

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

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 2017 - held in San Diego, CA.

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.



# Senate Sends Defense Authorization Bill, Military Pay Raise to Trump's Desk



By Erich Wagner, 16 Nov 17, govexec.com



The Senate approved a nearly \$700 billion defense authorization bill for fiscal 2018 by voice vote Thursday, paving the way for members of the military to receive an across-the-board 2.4 percent pay raise next year.

The fiscal 2018 National Defense Authorization Act was approved in the House by a 356-70 vote Tuesday. Although President Trump originally requested a 2.1 percent raise for military members in his fiscal 2018 budget request, leaders in both chambers reached an agreement on the bill, which now includes the steeper pay increase for military service members, last week.

The legislation now heads to President Trump's desk, and he is expected to sign it. With the 2.4 percent raise effectively confirmed for military service members next year, federal employee groups and lawmakers with high concentrations of feds in their districts have begun to push for a similar increase for civilian workers. Under Trump's budget proposal and in his alternative pay plan issued in August, civilian federal employees would receive a 1.9 percent across-the-board increase in 2018.

Last week, Sen. Ben Cardin, D-Md., and Rep. Gerry Connolly, D-Va., both signaled their intent to pursue at least a 2.4 percent pay raise for all federal workers next year. And federal employee groups have begun their lobbying efforts in favor of military-civilian pay parity as well.

Congress has until Dec. 8 to approve a measure to keep the federal government open. House Speaker Paul Ryan said Tuesday that he expects lawmakers to approve a short-term spending measure to keep the lights on until the end of the year, in order to buy time to continue negotiations on an appropriations bill for the rest of fiscal 2018.

That would give lawmakers and advocates more than a month to build support for a pay parity provision in any spending deal. And even if Congress does not act, Trump could elect to institute pay parity unilaterally before the end of 2017, as Obama did in December 2016 when he boosted the civilian pay increase to 2.1 percent for 2017.