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ASMC Connection

newsletter of the American Society of Military Comptrollers

Message from the Executive Director

From Al Runnels

ASMC National 2014 PDI

I am pleased to report that planning for conduct of the ASMC 2014 National PDI in Seattle is proceeding well. While momentum toward conduct of the National PDI is increasing, we will not know for sure until we receive feedback from the Services and other organizations regarding their conference participation approval packages (currently under development). We will have the ASMC 2014 PDI Website up on the net by the end of this week; however, registration will not be open for another three to four weeks when we expect to know the results of determinations by Service Secretaries (and by leaders of other DoD organizations) on requests for PDI participation packages. The Office of the Under Secretary (Comptroller) recently revised DoD policy allowing for instruction approved (based upon certain specific criteria) as in alignment with DoD Financial Management Certification Program (FMCP) competencies to be presented in "professional symposia." Requirements also include strict management of attendance (we'll be using attendance scanning equipment) and the conduct of a course feedback survey at the end of the instruction. The Professional Development Committee (PDC) met again the evening of 30 January to finalize PDI training content (subject areas, speakers, etc), toward our goal of structuring 50% of the PDI instruction into approved Mini-courses. This will provide the opportunity for PDI participants whose positions have already been designated (or will be designated) as Level 2 or 3 within the program to obtain direct credit toward meeting DoD FMCP requirements within certain FM competency areas (and also in the Leadership area at "Leading Teams" or "Leading People" levels. This direct credit toward DoD FMCP requirements will be in addition to obtaining Continuing Education and Training units, necessary to maintain other professional certifications. These Mini-courses will have specific learning objectives and a course syllabus. Want to also add my continuing thanks to Ron Lloyd (PDI Chair), Shirley Towne and Laura Sandy (PDI Co-Vice Chairs), and the leads of each of our six PDI committees (as well as their committee members) who are working on preparation for the PDI. Lastly, congratulations to the Seahawks and to Seattle (12th Man) as Super Bowl Champions.

ASMC Membership Growth

Just a reminder that in the latest edition of our *Armed Forces Comptroller* journal, our ASMC National President,

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Defense Financial Highlights and News

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5th February 2014

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31st January 2014

[DoD leaders testify on slowing military composition cost growth](#)

29th January 2014

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24th January 2014

[Congress passes FY2014 Omnibus Appropriations bill](#)

17th January 2014

Ms. Marilyn Thomas, issued a challenge to all current ASMC members. Specifically, her words were, **“I challenge each of our ASMC members to recruit one new member over the next six months.”** I worked on recruiting a new member last week, as I was exiting the Pentagon following a meeting. I look forward to the growth in ASMC membership that we can achieve this year as each of us work to recruit new members. At only \$26 per year, ASMC membership is one of the best professional association deals out there.

Enhanced Defense Financial Management (EDFM) Training

From now on, we will be highlighting locations (see below) of upcoming EDFM training course opportunities in our ASMC National News (to Chapter Presidents) and in our e-Connection newsletters to members, just as a means to help ensure the word is out on courses scheduled as a result of the EDFMT contract. This info is, of course, also available on our ASMC Website.

Upcoming EDFMT Courses – Centrally Funded

The following is a listing of the course offerings available in the next three months. These courses are the remaining DoD centrally funded EDFMTC sessions. If you would like to schedule an EDFMT course, independent from the centrally funded schedule, please contact Phara Rodrigue at rodrigue@asmconline.org.

Host	Location	City, State	Start Date
Air Force	Hill AFB, UT	Hill AFB, UT	03 Feb 2014 07:30
Air Force	Yokota Air Base, Japan	Yakota, AE	03 Feb 2014 08:00
Army National Guard	Carson City, NV	Carson City, NV	10 Feb 2014 07:30
Army National Guard	Carson City, NV	Carson City, NV	10 Feb 2014 07:30
Army National Guard	Carson City, NV	Carson City, NV	10 Feb 2014 07:30
Army National Guard	Carson City, NV	Carson City, NV	10 Feb 2014 07:30
Army	Ft Lee, VA	Ft Lee, VA	10 Feb 2014 07:30
DFAS	Indianapolis, IN	Indianapolis, IN	10 Feb 2014 07:30
Army	Shaw AFB SC	Shaw, SC	10 Feb 2014 07:30

Thank You to All the ASMC Corporate Breakfast Attendees!

ASMC conducted its quarterly Corporate Breakfast on Tuesday, January 14, at the Bank of America Building in Washington, DC. Over sixty were in attendance to hear guest speaker DoD Deputy Chief Financial Officer **Mr. Mark E. Easton**, along with key leaders **Ms. Margo Sheridan**, Director of Financial Improvement & Audit Readiness (FIAR), and **Mr. Andrew Morgan**, Director of Business Integration Office (BIO). The topic of discussion, **Update on Initiatives of the DCFO**, was well received and there was great discussion between attendees and the panel. Thanks to **Acuity** for their generosity in sponsoring this great event!

ASMC would like to congratulate the following recipients of the CDFM certification!

The following members achieved their CDFM certification between December 2013 and February 2014:

- Ricardo Aguilera
- Ronni Allmond
- Yelena Arnaut
- Maryann Batovsky
- Kyle Bell
- Maria Booth
- Bert Bratton
- Kelly Brown
- Kate Caldwell
- Michael Callahan
- Sasha Caudle
- Jason Ciarcia
- Sherrie Collazo
- Sol Crompton
- David Culbreth
- Muriel Diaz
- Heather Doran
- Chiedozie Ekechukwu
- Amy Eley
- Jason England
- Stephen French
- Brenda Friess
- Christina Gamez
- Jennifer Garleb

Navy	Norfolk, VA	Norfolk, VA	24 Feb 2014 07:30	Un Young James Adrienne Ammon Thomas Justin William Simon Cynthia Tonya Don Eugene Dana Mallory Allen Dalibor Jessica Kevin Joshua Barbara Christa Mary Chelle Scott Cecile Shannon Sheila Claire Oscar Wanda Thomas Ashley Christopher Douglas Brian Autumn Winnie Helen Valerie Julie Casey Mihai Raymond Richard Christine Dewight William	Gregory Hall Hayes-Robinson Hildebrand Hinrichsen Hodge Holt Huffman Hufty Hughes-Scruggs Ihle Ingalls Jacobs Jansen Johnson Jurcevic Keener Kelly King King King Kirkland Kwiatkowski Ledet Leppo Lewis Lindley Marin Matthew McQue Miller Montano Nettelhorst O'Brien O'Brien Ochoa Perez Perry Perry Pombert Psederski Pugh Reilly Robinson-Wells Roe Ryan
Air Force	Redstone Arsenal, AL	Redstone Arsenal, AL	24 Feb 2014 07:30		
Air Force	Reno, NV	Reno, NV	24 Feb 2014 07:30		
Air Force	Washington, DC	Washington, DC	24 Feb 2014 07:30		
Air Force	Hickam Air Force Base Hawaii	Honolulu, HI	03 Mar 2014 07:30		
Air Force	Seymour Johnson NC	Seymour Johnson, NC	03 Mar 2014 07:30		
DoD	Fort Meade MD	Ft Meade, MD	10 Mar 2014 07:30		
DoD	Linthicum Heights, MD	Linthicum Heights, MD	10 Mar 2014 07:30		
Air Force	Los Angeles AFB CA	Los Angeles, CA	10 Mar 2014 07:30		
DoD	Chambersburg, PA	Chambersburg, PA	17 Mar 2014 07:30		
Army National Guard	Little Rock AR	Little Rock, AR	17 Mar 2014 07:30		
DoD	Alexandria, VA	Alexandria, VA	24 Mar 2014 07:30		
Air Force	Peterson AFB, CO	Colorado Springs, CO	24 Mar 2014 07:30		
Air Force	San Antonio, TX	San Antonio, TX	24 Mar 2014 07:30		
Air Force	Wright-Patterson AFB	Dayton, OH	24 Mar 2014 07:30		
Air Force	Camp Murray	Tacoma, WA	07 Apr 2014 07:30		
Navy	Quantico, VA	Quantico, VA	07 Apr 2014 07:30		

Army	Rock Island IL	Rock Island, IL	07 Apr 2014 07:30
Navy	Bethesda, MD	Bethesda, MD	14 Apr 2014 07:30
Army National Guard	Camp Williams	Draper, UT	14 Apr 2014 07:30
DFAS	Columbus, OH	Columbus, OH	14 Apr 2014 07:30
Army National Guard	Ft Dix NJ	Ft Dix (JBMDL), NJ	21 Apr 2014 07:30
Army National Guard	Phoenix, AZ	Phoenix, AZ	21 Apr 2014 07:30
Navy	San Diego, CA	San Diego, CA	21 Apr 2014 07:30
Air Force	Kirtland AFB, NM	Kirtland, NM	28 Apr 2014 07:30
Navy	Washington Navy Yard	Washington, DC	28 Apr 2014 07:30

Jeffrey	Schruerer
Catherine	Sheridan
Jay	Sheth
Charles	Shriner
Puanani	Sigafoos
Donna	Sims
Brian	Smith
George	Stehle
Jeffrey	Stiggle
Ross	Stuckey
Brian	Swanson
La Toya	Thomas
Wayne	Tiller
Jeffrey	Woelfer
Christopher	Zwicker

These members have recently received the CDFM-A Certification:

Brandon	Level
Odette	Perez
Joseph	Wright
Stephen	Brogan
Lisa	Simmons
Henry	Meyer
Thomas	Woltman

*For more course offerings, please see the full listing available [here](#).

Does ASMC have all of your up-to-date information to be able to contact you this year?

Many members may have new addresses, phone numbers, emails, etc. that have not been updated in their ASMC Profile.

The most current contact information is needed for sending and delivering important messages to all ASMC members and CDFM certificants.

Please make sure your profile is currently up-to-date by logging in to your ASMC Profile and making any necessary changes today!! Please visit the ["Update Profile"](#) page.

Have you submitted your Verification of Financial Management Experience (VFME) Form?

Have you successfully completed all three of the required CDFM modules? Have you received your congratulatory letter or certificate of accomplishment? If not, we may need one more action from you to complete the process. Your next step is to submit your Verification of Financial Management Experience (VFME) Form in order for your certification to become official. Please download the VFME

Career Opportunities

Looking for a new start? ASMC can help connect you with the right resources. Be sure to check out our [Job Board](#), highlighting FM positions around the region. You can also join our LinkedIn group to be connected to job opportunities from around the web!

Don't have a profile on LinkedIn? It's easy and free! Get started here. You can also follow us on Twitter (@asmctweets) for job alerts.

Update Your ASMC Membership Profile

Log in to your ASMC member account to review and update your [member profile](#). To ensure you receive the AFC (whether via mail or electronically), as well as other important ASMC member benefits, please ensure you maintain your ASMC member profile in an up-to-date status. Also, be sure to set your *Armed Forces Comptroller* digital

Form from our website and return it at your earliest convenience.

Once we have processed the VFME form, your name will appear under the CDFM Awarded section of the ASMC website and you will receive an official congratulatory letter by mail within 2-4 weeks with important details about your CDFM certificate and continuing education requirements.

How can you tell when your Certification needs to be renewed?

Checking your CDFM/CDFM-A expiration date is easy! Simply log on to your account and click on **Update Profile** to view the "CDFM Expires" date.

Additionally, ASMC will send a certification renewal notice to the email address in your account 3 months, 2 months, and 1 month before your certification expires.

CDFM/CDFM-A Certification Renewal Requirements:

- Renew your certification every 24 months by paying the renewal fee before your certification cycle expires (\$20 for members; \$40 for non-members)
- Complete a minimum of 80 total CPE hours (and 2 CPE hours in ethics) during each 24 month certification cycle, with at least 20 CPE hours earned each year
- Adhere to the ASMC Pledge of Professionalism

preferences!

Armed Forces Comptroller

Interested in writing for the Armed Forces Comptroller?

We're now accepting member submissions for our Winter 2014 AFC issue. If you have an original manuscript you wish to submit, please review the submission guidelines [here](#) or contact Kathryn at grandstaff@asmconline.org for further information.

Want to go green?

ASMC Members can always elect to receive the digital version of the *Armed Forces Comptroller* by logging into their [member profile portals](#) and reviewing their AFC selections.

While you're there, be sure to update your contact information to ensure that you are receiving all the latest news and happenings from ASMC!

Connect with ASMC

Did you know that ASMC's social media is the best way to stay connected to the latest happenings at ASMC HQ? "Like" us on Facebook and join our LinkedIn group to stay current!

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