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**President's Message...** *What an exciting year! I cannot believe that my time as your president is coming to an end so quickly. Last summer as I took the reins from Kathy Day, I set seven goals for the year.*

- 1) *Improve communication and interaction with our membership.* I believe the team has made strides to accomplish this and will continue to further develop this in the future.
- 2) *Provide relevant topics desired by our membership during monthly luncheons.* Each luncheon topic was well delivered and reached a broad range of financial management topics. We were successful this year in obtaining numerous outside speakers from FM career programs, AFAA, and the FM schoolhouse at Maxwell.
- 3) *Deliver an exceptional PDI that increases corporate and technical knowledge within the FM community.* What a success our PDI was! Topics ranged from economics to budget and AFFSC. I feel confident that we delivered during our PDI.
- 4) *Maintain or improve the level of National Awards presented to our membership.* All the awards have not been announced. However, we were unable to obtain individual or team achievement awards this year. Our FM community has accomplished so much and I believe our accomplishments can be showcased next year. Keep up the great support!
- 5) *Increase CDFM certification by 10%.* Thanks to Jeff Leid and a group of about 10, we achieved this goal. We offered lunchtime study sessions and provided telephone instruction for each module. Congratulations to all of our new CDFM personnel!
- 6) *Achieve 5-Star Status for the third year in a row.* Although this award has not been announced, I believe we accomplished 5-Star Status again this year. Way to go team!
- 7) *Increase membership by 10%.* We had a wonderful year increasing our membership and have exceeded our goal. Special thanks to Wendy Smith and all of the members who worked to showcase the benefits of ASMC to other financial managers.

*I think we had a great year. I am proud that you had confidence in me as your president. Thank you to every member of the Executive Board who made this year a success.*

*I know as I pass the reins to Ms. Donna Curtis, you are getting a dedicated and energetic leader. Good luck next year!*

*Your President, Crystal Boston*

## Ticket Monitors

Susan Staudt	734-8520
Patricia Lindley	739-7370
Tammy Brandt	736-2326
Libby Curry	739-5900
Jeffrey Leid	739-7164
Loretta McCoy	734-7215
Gary Rose	734-9949
Judy Crespo	739-2041
Gatha Johnson	736-7353



1 - 300-card capacity, 4" x 6" index card file.....\$3.29

100 - color-coded 4" x 6" index cards in five assorted colors...\$1.99

100 - white 4" x 6" index cards.....\$1.49

Getting the job you want..... Priceless

*(Continued on page 8, "Priceless...a \$7 Investment")*

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2009 Sequoyah Chapter PDI ~ 22 Apr 09

*Professional Development for Financial Management's Shining Stars...*

The 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Sequoyah Chapter PDI symposium was held on 22 Apr 09, at the Clarion Hotel's Meridian Conference Center, in Oklahoma City. It was a great success—great speakers, great topics, great facility, and, most of all, great participation! It was especially great to welcome, not only our great variety of guest speakers, but ASMC members who attended from other regional Chapters.



*Mr Dan Mahoney, VP of the OKC Thunder*

**MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKER** We kicked off the morning with Mr Dan Mahoney, vice president of the Oklahoma City Thunder. Mr Mahoney stressed that the key to their success in permanently bringing an NBA team to the Oklahoma City area was their commitment to the local community. Mr Mahoney demonstrated that by persevering in your efforts and believing strongly in what you're doing, you can successfully achieve your goals. The sports fans of Oklahoma City have responded in kind by welcoming our first very own NBA team with open arms.



*Mr Eddie Lewis, SAF/FMBR*

**AIR FORCE WORKING CAPITAL FUND** Mr Eddie Lewis presented an overview of AFWCF program along with recent and future changes. The Consolidated Sustainment Activity Group (CSAG) was recently formed by merging two divisions—maintenance (formerly DMAG) and supply (formerly MSD)—which eliminates internal billing transactions between these entities. Also, there was a shift from selling by spare parts to selling by the number of hours flown each month. In the future, they are reviewing financial processes for ECSS and closing CDMAG in FY10.



*Lt Col David Peeler, HQ AFMC/FMAO*

**AFMC BUDGETING AND EXECUTION** Lt Col David Peeler explained the need for continuity among planning, programming, budgeting, and execution. He further discussed the disconnects that we are facing now, as well as the shortfalls that are likely in future fiscal years. Our challenges include Congressional adds, new incentives, FYDP disconnects in base utilities, no funding for facility repair and maintenance by FY11, etc. As AFMC executes only 37% of the AF O&M program TOA, financial managers need to ensure we execute against our programmed requirements.



2009 Sequoyah Chapter PDI ~ 22 Apr 09 (Continued)

**Professional Development for Financial Management's Shining Stars...**



**Mr Glenn Rivera, FM Center of Expertise**

**ECONOMICS FOR EVERYDAY LIFE** Mr Glenn Rivera discussed a topic that is on everyone's mind today with the buzz of a national recession. He explained the economy is people—buying, selling, and consuming. When our resources are scarce and our wants and needs are unlimited, we should be more productively and allocatively efficient. Mr Rivera also discussed the need for U.S. Government involvement and their plans and policies to stimulate and stabilize the American economy. We should be prepared to adapt to changing economic/business environment.



**Ms Donna Rynda, Make It Matter!**

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER** Ms Donna Rynda is a professional development training specialist who founded and manages, *Make It Matter!* She shared her rendition of the Golden Rule—or the "Goldie" Rule—and emphasized that it still has a great impact in today's society. Ms Rynda, a vivacious and captivating speaker, engaged attendees in brainstorming ideas on what the characteristics are of a person who has a positive impact on others, how much attitude can affect our interactions with our colleagues and customers, and the three V's of how we impact others (visually, verbally, and vocally). Visual and vocal interaction rank much higher than verbal—in other words, it's not *what* you say, but *how* you say it. These are all good things to take to heart when interacting with others.



**Mr Jim Mannon, 72FSS/FSMCET**

**CSRS/FERS RETIREMENT PLANNING** Just like the economy, concerns about being able to retire is on a lot people's minds. Mr Jim Mannon briefed an overview of the CSRS and FERS retirement programs, including the minimum age requirements for each program and what each person needs to do to prepare for retirement. Some things to think about retiring are: taxes, health and life insurance, EBIS estimates, and meeting with a retirement advisor. Mr Mannon also provided many online resources to answer any additional questions attendees may have.

2009 Sequoyah Chapter PDI ~ 22 Apr 09 (Continued)

**Professional Development for Financial Management's Shining Stars...**



**Ms Joan Causey, SAF/FMP-3**

**AIR FORCE FINANCIAL SERVICES** Ms Joan Causey provided an overview of financial operations of the Air Force Financial Services office. Although it is located at Ellsworth AFB, South Dakota, she oversees many AFAFOs, AFFSCs, and DIMHRs located all over the United States. They are in the process of transforming the services they offer their customers through the Financial Services Delivery Model (FSDM). Ms Causey stressed the importance of our PDIs—they are critical to our wellness. She also asked, in our day-to-day tasks, that we be flexible and be able to make decisions on 60-80% of the information available.



**Mr Wesley Breeding, SAF/FMPW**

**FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT WORKFORCE UPDATE** Mr Wesley Breeding introduced the professional development/career progression model for financial managers. He also outlined Air Force institutional competencies, which are organizational (enterprise perspective, strategic thinking, employing military capabilities, and managing organizations/resources), people/team (leading people and fostering collaborative relationships), and personal (embodying Air Force culture and communicating). Mr Breeding also provided information on educational opportunities.

**Community Service Project: Adopt-A-Street Project**



We had a successful day with our Adopt-A-Street project on Saturday, 18 Apr 09. We had eight volunteers, who collected eight bags of trash. We reported our most unusual item: a blue baby toilet seat!

The City of Midwest City, in hopes of expanding the Adopt-A-Street program, will be presenting awards for various categories, such as "Most Trash Collected" and "Most Unusual Item Found." If we win, our Chapter will receive recognition in the local newspaper.

## ASMC National PDI

This year's National PDI, being held in San Antonio, Texas, 26-29 May 09, is quickly approaching. Its theme this year is *Building the Stars of Tomorrow*, on which we based our Chapter mini-PDI.

The National PDI is a premier training event for resource managers in the Department of Defense and U.S. Coast Guard. Each year, more than 3,300 attendees converge for a four-day event, which includes a full day of service activities, seven general sessions, more than 70 workshops, and many special events.

We hope you are able to attend this annual event. The National PDI is always held the week of Memorial Day. If you are unable to attend this year, perhaps you may consider one in the future.

2010 - Nashville, Tennessee	2013 - Denver, Colorado	2016 - Orlando, Florida
2011 - Minneapolis, Minnesota	2014 - Seattle, Washington	2017 - San Diego, California
2012 - Anaheim, California	2015 - TBD	



### ASMC Membership is Online

Prospective members of ASMC may now apply for membership online at the ASMC website. This method decreases the processing time by up to a week, so please encourage anyone you may be recruiting to apply online. Also, current members may renew online and update member information (new e-mail, address, job title, etc.). Please read the instructions at ASMC Online Renewal on how to determine default username and password: <http://www.asmcnline.org/membership/renewal.shtml>

### BENEFITS OF BEING AN ASMC MEMBER...

- Enhance your professional skills
- Networking with other FM professionals
- Leadership opportunities
- Receive the *Armed Forces Comptroller* journal, which is published four times a year
- Save money at ASMC events
- Services, such as rental car discounts, eligibility for membership in the Pentagon Federal Credit Union, and a significant discount on tuition at the University of Phoenix Online.

#### Treasurer Report

Month	Checking	Savings
Mar 09	\$8,867.49	\$745.43
Apr 09	\$5,093.24	\$745.43

#### Membership Report

Month	General	Corporate
Mar 09	159	3
Apr 09	166	3



### Free Luncheon Ticket Winners

#### ~ ~ Mar 09 Luncheon ~ ~

Susan Low                      559 ACSS  
Cathy Vance                    OC-ALC/FMA

#### ~ ~ May 09 Luncheon ~ ~

Brenda Anderson            OC-ALC/FMC  
Diane Clark                    327 ASW/OM

[www.asmcnline.org/membership/application.shtml](http://www.asmcnline.org/membership/application.shtml) **Become an ASMC Member!**

## Chapter Luncheons

### Recent Luncheons...



At our luncheon on 5 May 09 in the Bldg 3001 Oklahoma Room, our guest speaker was Ms Desiree Murray, Director of Curriculum at the Defense Financial Management and Comptroller School, Maxwell AFB, Alabama.

Ms Murray discussed how applying decision support (financial accounting, analysis, evaluation, risk management, and synthesis) can be used with our core competencies (accounting and finance, budget, cost, and warfighting) to enable commanders to make informed decisions utilizing alternatives, priorities, and decision briefs—ultimately optimizing resources and mission effectiveness. In addition, the benefits from applied decision support are improved financial reporting and control, improved analytical capabilities, increased rigor in resource decision-making, and strengthened resource allocation. In light of this, Ms Murray shared many online resources for financial managers to obtain information for necessary education and training.

### Upcoming Luncheon...

On Tuesday, 23 Jun 09, the Sequoyah Chapter will welcome Col Allen Jamerson, Commander of the 72d Air Base Wing and Installation at Tinker AFB, Oklahoma. Col Jamerson's topic is "Do What Brung Ya."

The luncheon will be located at the Tinker Club, in the ballroom, from 1130 to 1230. Immediately following Col Jamerson's briefing, we will be presenting scholarships to this year's winners then conducting an installation ceremony for the new 2009-10 executive officers.

Contact your organizational ticket monitor today! Tickets will be on sale until Wednesday, 17 Jun 09.



## Money Crunch

(Solutions on Page 12)

In light of the latest texting craze, you may find this puzzle very easy or a little challenging. As the name suggests, the vowels from each word...along with all punctuation and spaces between each word...have been removed. You must work out what the words are to reveal the well-known proverb with a "money" theme. The puzzle can range from very simple to very hard depending on the word, how many vowels it contains, and where they are placed relative to each other; in combination with the length of the word and how common it is. Hints: The number of words in the phrase is in parentheses and some phrases begin with a vowel. **Ex: MNYTLKS ⇨ MONEY TALKS**

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| 1. <b>PNNYSVDSPNNYRND</b> (7)                   | 5. <b>MNYSGDSRVNTBTBDMSTR</b> (9) |
| 2. <b>FLNDHSMNYRSNPRTD</b> (8)                  | 6. <b>NTHRBRRWRNRLNDRB</b> (7)    |
| 3. <b>RLYTBNDRLYTRSMKSMNHLTHYWLTHYNDWS</b> (14) | 7. <b>THBSTHNGSNLFRFR</b> (7)     |
| 4. <b>MNYDSNTGRWNTRS</b> (5)                    | 8. <b>YCNTTKTWTHYWHNYD</b> (9)    |

..... SEQUOYAH CHAPTER CALENDAR OF EVENTS .....

<b>01-31 Mar 09</b>	<b>ASMC Membership Drive</b>
<b>30 Mar-3 Apr 09</b>	<b>EDFMT Course in Washington DC</b>
<b>18 Apr 09....</b>	<b>Adopt-A-Street Project: <i>Spring Clean-up</i></b>
	POC: Ms Debbie Goss Time: 0800-1000 Location: S Air Depot Blvd btwn SE 15 <sup>th</sup> & Reno Meeting Place: Parking lot in front of Dollar Tree
<b>22 Apr 09....</b>	<b>Sequoyah Chapter 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Mini-PDI</b>
	Motivational Spkr: Mr Don Mahoney, OKC Thunder Keynote Spkr: Ms Donna Rynda, Make It Matter! Time: 0700-1630 Location: Meridian Conference Ctr
<b>26 Apr 09....</b>	<b>Comm Svc: <i>9<sup>th</sup> Annual OKC Memorial Marathon</i></b>
	POC: Donna Curtis
<b>05 May 09...</b>	<b>Sequoyah Chapter Luncheon</b>
	Guest Speaker: Ms Desiree Murray, DFMCS Time: 1130-1230 Location: Bldg 3001, Oklahoma Room
<b>25 May 09...</b>	<b>*HOLIDAY* Memorial Day</b>
<b>25-29 May 09</b>	<b>ASMC National PDI</b>
	Location: San Antonio, Texas
<b>23 Jun 09....</b>	<b>Sequoyah Chapter Luncheon</b>
	<b>PRESENTATION OF SCHOLARSHIPS AND INSTALLATION OF 2009-10 EXECUTIVE OFFICERS</b>
	Guest Spkr: Col Allen Jamerson, Cmdr 72ABW Time: 1130-1230 Location: Tinker Club
<b>03-04 Jul 09</b>	<b>*HOLIDAY* Independence Day</b>
<b>*21 Jul 09...</b>	<b>Sequoyah Chapter Luncheon <i>*Tentative</i></b>
	Guest Speaker: Ms Lori Tucker, AFGLSC/FM Time: 1130-1230 Location: TBD

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Apr 09	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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	26	27	28	29	30	1	2
May 09	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	31	1	2	3	4	5	6
Jun 09	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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Jul 09	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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<b>Chapter Certified Defense Financial Managers</b>					<b>*CDFM-A</b>
Will Anderson	Judy Crespo	Diane Fortelka	Shelley Jones	Sandra Puryear	Robert Slarve*
David Bergman	Donna Curtis	Ann Franklin	Jeffrey Leid	Tempie Robertson	Valerie Tilkens
Gary Bourisaw	Kathleen Day	Sheri Frosig	Magnolia Lipsky	Cheryl Robitaille	Lori Tucker
Janet Bucknell	Jeffrey Jilek	Leotta Haltman	John McKee	Angela Ruter	LaTrice Vaughn
Tanya Childress	Steven Johnson	Carolyn Hamilton	Chris Parry*	John Scott	
Daria Crane	Paul Dean	Nancy Haskell	Debra Poland	Charisse Slarve	



## Priceless...a \$7 Investment

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***It's crunch time. They just called! OMG, I need to get ready for this interview tomorrow afternoon. I wish I were more prepared. How am I possibly going to remember everything?***

Sound familiar to you? There is no reason for you to not be prepared for your next interview. Sure, you should have thought about how prepared you were before you applied for that position, but you didn't. There is no way that you could possibly remember, in the next 24 hours, every detail of every significant thing that you have done in the past five years. I have an idea, with a very small investment, that could help you out in these tough times—allowing you to be your cool, calm, collected, and confident self because you planned ahead.

First, I'd like to familiarize you with the financial management core competencies as briefed by Mr Wesley Breeding, SAF/FMPW, at the 2009 Sequoyah Chapter PDI on 22 Apr 09 in his presentation entitled, "Financial Management Workforce Development." Mr Breeding emphasized that along with foundational learning, certification, breadth of experience and mobility, and other development opportunities, every financial manager should be well developed in the Air Force Institutional Competencies: Organizational, People/Team, and Personal. Mr Breeding believes that institutional competencies form the framework for building leaders.

The *Organizational* competency breaks down into these sub-categories: enterprise perspective, strategic thinking, employing military capabilities, and managing organizations and resources. This competency would encompass how you have created consistency out of apparently unrelated and random pieces of information or stimuli; the ability to spontaneously create patterns which may result in solutions to complex problems, innovations for future directions, or new theories about phenomena in which they are involved; the ability to comprehend and see the whole, big picture at once rather than focusing on the pieces or a series of individual items; and the ability to translate complex, confusing events or information into recognizable themes, outlines, etc. It would also be how you would have spontaneously looked for opportunities to make substantial impacts in the way business is done by introducing totally new systems, products, or ventures into an existing environment; the ability to start a new business or business line, turning around a failing organization, or changing people's levels by the implementation of a new idea, product, or system; and the ability to invest time and resources to take calculated risks in the process. It could also be how you would demonstrate the ability to look ahead and judge

future events, to take action to improve potential outcome without direction from others, and to gather relevant information for optimal decision-making or action.

The *People/Team* competency includes these sub-categories: leading people and fostering collaborative relationships. This competency could include how you would exhibit capabilities for doing a job as well as, or better than, others and encouraging others to do the same; the ability to see yourself and others as able to accomplish most things that you need or want to do enabling you to pursue challenging objectives on your own or through others, often taking calculated personal risks in doing so; and the ability to look at yourself honestly—weaknesses as well as strengths—accepting responsibility for mistakes and learning from them. In addition, you must work effectively at managing others in work that requires a team or coordinated effort. You must effectively manage the work of others without any formal authority or power over them which is accomplished by building team spirit, getting others to realize that they all must work together to accomplish their mutual or individual objectives, getting people involved by obtaining their input, and motivating them to participate and work toward achievement of the goals of the group.

The *Personal* competency consists of these sub-categories: embodying Air Force culture and communicating. This could include your compliance with Affirmative Action and Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), as well as many other policies supported by the Air Force. Communication includes your attitude toward your job and others, working with others to resolve personal issues, being sensitive to others' needs, actively listening without interrupting, and articulating information to the intended recipient.

So what does all this have to do with seven bucks? I'm getting to that, but keep this in mind: as you work through special projects or just the fiscal year close-out, write down things that you have accomplished. Have you managed a program all fiscal year and close-out without any hitches? Write it down! How did you do it? What did you do during the fiscal year that enabled you such rewards? What about that research project your boss asked you do? Write it down! You may not know the end results of your efforts, (Continued on Page 9)



**Priceless...a \$7 Investment** (Continued from Page 8)

but you do know what you did, how you did it, the time it took you, the systems and other resources you used,...the list goes on. Write it down. Did you discover problem areas from your research? Write it down...don't forget those significant numbers...24% savings...\$150K cost reduction, etc.

Okay, you probably already know what the seven bucks are for because you saw the lead-in on the front page of the newsletter...it's really no secret. Go down to the local office supplies store and pick up these three items: a package of white index cards, a package of assorted colored index cards, and an index card file box.

When you have your essentials, it is time to get organized. Designate one color for the Organizational competencies, one color for the People/Team competencies, and one color for the Personal competency. On the side of the card with the lines, on the top line, write the sub-categories in all caps (see picture). Arrange your experience/strengths in S-A-R format, as suggested from Crystal Boston, Leslie Carlson, and Kathy Day's, presentation at the Sequoyah Chapter luncheon on 25 Mar 09, entitled "Successful Interviewing for Financial Management Positions at TAFB."

"S" is for Situation. It is your role, whether individually or on a team, the description of the situation, the significance of the event or project, why it was needed, and who directed it (Congressional, HQ, CC, etc.)

"A" is for Action. It is the specific actions you took by demonstrating the following: ability to manage a project, working independently and with minimal guidance, your initiative, your problem-solving abilities, your flexibility in a changing environment, your visionary capabilities, teamwork, and your conflict resolution abilities. "R" is for Result. Ensure you quantify the results of your efforts, e.g., saved \$10M in O&M, reduced processing time by 40 hours, \$5M and 75% reduction in Unliquidated Obligations, etc. Also, identify how your efforts have impacted the organization, mission, or warfighter; its effects on future planning, mission, capability, etc.; and the awards/recognition you received, if applicable.

Once you have all your information organized on your cards, you should review the knowledge, skills, and abilities on the announcement, as well as the job role/function and critical tasks on the position description. Pull the cards that pertain to the job position for which you are applying and refresh your memory with those accomplishments.

Finally, I want to leave you with some suggestions to help you be successful when preparing for your next job interview:

- ✓ Write down accomplishments as they are performed

- ✓ Keep data current, maintaining efforts accomplished within the past three to five years—add the year in the top right-hand corner.
- ✓ Use the back of each card to spell out acronyms. It is suggested that you not use any acronyms during interviews, but it's really convenient to use acronyms when you have limited room on an index card!
- ✓ If you are deficient in any area in particular, make something happen. Talk to your current supervisor about your interest to improve your skills in these areas—a good time, in particular, is when you meet with your boss for your mid-term review.
- ✓ PRACTICE, PRACTICE, PRACTICE!

<b>COMMUNICATING</b>		<b>2005</b>
<b>S</b> - KNOW YOUR AUDIENCE—	<i>One colleague I send emails to seems to not understand the contents of what was written</i>	
<b>A</b> - As soon as I send emails to this person,	<i>I immediately call to discuss the content of the request and answer questions then</i>	
<b>R</b> - Can't relate	<b>BASICS</b>	<b>2009</b>
	College: University of Oklahoma, Grad 2001	
	Certifications: CDFM	
	Been a Budget Analyst: Since 1998	
	Funds Managed: O&M, SMAG, DMAG	
	Systems Used: BQ, CCar, ABSS, CRIS	
	<b>LEADING PEOPLE</b>	<b>2006</b>
<b>S</b> - LEAD an IPT to review FDT processes due to increased expense posting errors causing over-obligation of funds		
<b>A</b> - Mapped out the process, invited all POCs involved, conducted routine meetings, delegated tasks, documented findings		
<b>R</b> - Discussed last	<b>STRATEGIC THINKING</b>	<b>2008</b>
	<b>S</b> - Individually maintain daily funds status additional data sometimes requested by management and needed quickly	
	<b>A</b> - Took INITIATIVE to add data to daily rep Used VISIONARY CAPABILITIES	
	<b>R</b> - Takes 5 minutes when kept up daily-- SAVED 8 Hrs of additional work & Accurate data READY ON DEMAND	

**Awards**



***Team Competition***

Leader: Ms Patricia Lindley

Members:

- |                    |                        |
|--------------------|------------------------|
| Ms Lindsey Alberts | Ms Sherri Coulson      |
| Mr Don Davis       | Capt Joseph Duhon, Jr. |
| Mr Gary Gaughran   | Mr Geronimo Gonzales   |
| Ms Karen Manning   | Mr Tom Prebula         |
| Mr Glenn Rivera    | Ms Deborah Tomlinson   |
| Mr Monty Winans    | Mr Vinson Yohannan     |



***Individual Competition***  
**- Auditing -**  
Mr John Tulp



***Individual Competition***  
**- Auditing -**  
Ms Angela Hale



***Individual Competition***  
**- Resource Management -**  
Mr Jeffrey Jewell



***Essay Competition***  
Mr John McKee



***Individual Competition***  
**- Budgeting -**  
Ms Charisse Slarve



***Individual Competition***  
**- Accounting and Finance -**  
SSgt Jessica Wilson  
*Gregory Woodson Accepting*

## Installation of Executive Officers

It is that time of year again to nominate and/or (re-)elect new ASMC Sequoyah Chapter executive board members. All Sequoyah Chapter executive board positions are available for nominations. We will be accepting nominations until 12 May 09. Results of the votes will be announced at via email prior to the June luncheon. Nomination Committee point of contact is Carol Julian at 739-4141.

### ASMC SEQUOYAH CHAPTER EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

The Chapter officers shall serve without compensation for a period of one year\*, commencing 1 July and ending 30 June. Should any office become vacant, the Chapter President, with the concurrence of the Executive Board, may appoint an active member to fill the office for the remainder of the term.

**PRESIDENT** As Chief Executive, presides at all Chapter and Executive Board meetings, appoints such standing and special committees as may be required, and acts as ex officio member of all committees with the exception of the Nominating Committee. In the execution of the powers of his/her office, the President shall enforce the Constitution, By-Laws, contracts, policies, and directives of the Society and the Chapter. In the performance of his/her duties, the President may, as deemed appropriate, assign duties and responsibilities to the various Chapter officers and committees.

**VICE PRESIDENT** Shall serve as liaison for Chapter and Society matters with their respective organizations. The Vice President shall assume the duties of the President during any period of his/her absence or incapacity.

**1<sup>ST</sup> VICE PRESIDENT OF MEMBERSHIP** Shall retain copies of Chapter membership rosters and records, coordinates with the National Society and be custodian of all documents and permanent papers of the Chapter.

**2<sup>ND</sup> VICE PRESIDENT OF PROGRAMS** Shall propose a list of guest speakers and topics for each scheduled monthly luncheon, secure the facility, make arrangements for meal selections, obtain bio from guest speaker and forward to Publicity Chairperson, and coordinate with Protocol (if required).

**3<sup>RD</sup> VICE PRESIDENT OF PUBLICITY** Shall send announcement for monthly luncheons to membership, make all public announcements to Tinker Take Off and lighted Marquee POCs, and arrange for Tinker photographer and print monthly luncheon tickets and programs.

**4<sup>TH</sup> VICE PRESIDENT OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT** Shall compile a list of potential speakers and submit to the Executive Board for concurrence, develop a list of tasks and committees to assist in planning the annual PDI, and coordinate all activities related to the PDI.

**5<sup>TH</sup> VICE PRESIDENT OF AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS** Shall obtain the ASMC National requirements for awards, for both individuals and teams, prepare public announcement and establish deadlines for submissions; and prepare public announcements for local scholarship opportunities, establish deadlines for submissions, submit to the scholarship committee for selection and forward nominations to Executive Board and to ASMC National.

**SECRETARY** Shall record the proceedings of the meetings of the Chapter and the Executive Board; and shall also receive moneys, record the receipts, and forward the moneys to the Treasurer.

**TREASURER** Shall be the custodian of Chapter financial records, transactions, and property; manage Chapter financial transactions, pay bills, prepare vouchers, maintain books; and co-sign checks with the President and/or designated Vice President.

**CERTIFICATION OFFICER** Shall plan training and assist members in obtaining Defense Financial Manager Certification (CDFM); coordinate tutoring, monitor number of certified members, and assist with training teleconferences; and prepare local evaluations for use in evaluating tutoring students' progress and suggesting study needs.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICER** Shall plan and coordinate community service projects and activities for the Chapter, such as the Adopt-A-Street program and unloading/packing boxes of food at the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma; develop and implement effective strategies to help the Chapter achieve annual goals; and seek volunteers from Chapter membership to serve on organized activities.



### National ASMC News

#### March ~ April 2009

**PDI 2009, 26-29 MAY 09** The National Professional Development Institute (PDI) is a premier training event for resource managers in the Department of Defense and US Coast Guard. Each year, more than 3,400 attendees converge for a four-day event, which includes a full day of service activities, seven general sessions, more than seventy workshops, and many special events and activities. PDI 2009 will be held at the Henry B. Gonzales Convention Center in San Antonio on 26-29 May 09, with a theme of "Building the Stars of Tomorrow." The registration fee for PDI is \$615 and ASMC members receive a \$100 discount. Registration for PDI and the hotel reservation system are open at [www.asmcconline.org](http://www.asmcconline.org). Please check the ASMC website for further information.

**CDFM TESTING AT PDI 2009** Testing will be conducted Tuesday through Friday in San Antonio. Modules 1, 2, and 3 will be delivered via computer and Module 4 will be available in paper format only (space is limited). We are beta testing Module 4; therefore, you will not receive results for several weeks after the PDI. You will need to sign up for PDI exam slots with Jessika Kilgore ([Kilgore@asmconline.org](mailto:Kilgore@asmconline.org)) Receptionist. Please DO NOT attempt to purchase exams until you receive directions from ASMC. If you have certification questions that are administrative in nature, contact Shelly Johnson ([Johnson@asmconline.org](mailto:Johnson@asmconline.org)), Certification Assistant. All other questions should be directed to Claudia Carr ([carr@asmconline.org](mailto:carr@asmconline.org)), Associate Director for Certification.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR NAMED** The ASMC National Executive Committee is pleased to announce the selection of Alvin Tucker as ASMC Executive Director. Mr Tucker replaces the Honorable Robert Hale who was recently confirmed by the U.S. Senate as the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller/Chief Financial Officer). Mr Tucker is well known in the Department of Defense (DoD) financial community. He has extensive experience in Defense accounting, audit, and budget and has demonstrated a strong commitment to the professional goals of ASMC by serving as Chair of the CDFM Commission. He joins ASMC from the accounting firm of Grant Thornton LLP where he spent 12 years, and served as a Director in the Defense and Intelligence practice. During his federal service he was DoD Deputy Chief Financial Officer from 1990 to 1997. Previous to that he was Deputy Inspector General of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, Deputy Assistant Inspector General (Audit) in the Office of the DoD IG, and Director of Training and Education in the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD). He began his federal career with the Army Audit Agency, and progressed to staff positions as an auditor and budget analyst in the OSD Comptroller organization before joining the Senior Executive Service in 1979. He retired from the Civil Service in 1997 with 34 years of service. Mr Tucker is a Certified Defense Financial Manager (CDFM), a Certified Public Accountant (CPA), a Certified Internal Auditor (CIA), and a Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM). He is the recipient of the Defense Medal for Distinguished Civilian Service, with oak leaf cluster and was twice named a Meritorious Senior Executive. A graduate of the University of Maryland with a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting, he is also a graduate of the Federal Executive Development Program sponsored by the Office of Personnel Management. Alvin Tucker resides in Crofton, Maryland, with his wife, Jacqueline.

**ASMC ANNUAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD WINNERS** Selections have been made for ASMC Achievement Awards. Please visit ASMC Online [www.asmcconline.org](http://www.asmcconline.org) to see the selected winners and check back throughout the next few weeks for further announcements in other award categories. Congratulations to all the winners!

**ASMC SURVEY OF DEFENSE FINANCIAL MANAGERS** The ASMC Survey of Defense financial managers, conducted by Grant Thornton LLP, was a rousing success. More than 1,600 ASMC members responded to the online survey and 60 senior financial officials gave in-person interviews. Survey results will be available at the 2009 PDI in San Antonio, Texas, both as a written report and as a workshop presentation. After PDI the report will be posted on the ASMC website. The chapter response rates were excellent, with the following chapters winning monetary awards for their participation: First - Pioneer, 63%; Second - Keystone, 51%; and Third - Greater Jacksonville, 48%. The awards will be distributed at the National Council Meeting on Thursday afternoon, May 28th in San Antonio. Thanks to all those who participated!

**LINKEDIN PROFESSIONAL NETWORKING** LinkedIn is an online network of more than 25 million experienced professionals from around the world, representing 150 industries. ASMC has created a group on LinkedIn as a forum for discussion of ASMC matters. Discussion and membership will be moderated to a limited degree, and the opinions expressed on the group are those of the individual members and not of ASMC. You may find our group here <http://www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=953357>.

**RENEW ASMC MEMBERSHIP ONLINE – JOIN ONLINE** Prospective new members of ASMC may now apply for membership online at the ASMC website. This method decreases the processing time by up to a week, so please encourage anyone you may be recruiting to apply online. Also, current members may renew online and update member information (new e-mail, address, job title, etc.). Please read the instructions at ASMC Online Renewal [www.asmcconline.org/membership/renewal.shtml](http://www.asmcconline.org/membership/renewal.shtml) on how to determine your default username and password.

### Money Crunch

*(Answers to Money Crunch Puzzle from Page 7)*

1. A PENNY SAVED IS A PENNY EARNED.
2. A FOOL AND HIS MONEY ARE SOON PARTED.
3. EARLY TO BED AND EARLY TO RISE MAKES A MAN HEALTHY, WEALTHY, AND WISE.
4. MONEY DOESN'T GROW ON TREES.
5. MONEY IS A GOOD SERVANT, BUT A BAD MASTER.
6. NEITHER A BORROWER NOR A LENDER BE.
7. THE BEST THINGS IN LIFE ARE FREE.
8. YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU WHEN YOU DIE.





# ASMC individual membership application

### Membership Status

New-Active     New-Associate     Renewal No. \_\_\_\_\_     I have previously been a member of ASMC

### Membership Information (Please type or print clearly, exactly as you wish information to appear on membership certificate)

Name (First, MI, Last), Suffix \_\_\_\_\_

Nickname \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (W) \_\_\_\_\_ (F) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ DSN \_\_\_\_\_

Designations \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Gender  M  F

### Professional Information

Employer (Circle One) AR NV AF MC CG OSD DFAS Other \_\_\_\_\_

Rank/Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Job Series \_\_\_\_\_

Education Level \_\_\_\_\_

- Career Field:
- |                        |                       |                     |                     |
|------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Accounting and Finance | Budgeting Information | Management          | Manpower Management |
| Acquisition            | Comptroller           | Management Analysis | Resource Management |
| Administrative Support | Cost Analysis         | Program Analysis    | Other               |
| Auditing               | Financial Management  |                     |                     |

Duty Station \_\_\_\_\_

### Payment Information

Membership Dues     One Year - \$26 or     Three Years - \$75

Method of Payment     Check or Money Order enclosed (payable in US dollars to ASMC)

Charge to Credit Card     Visa     MasterCard     American Express

Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*I hereby apply for membership in ASMC and enclose payment for membership dues (the \$5 annual subscription to the Armed Forces Comptroller is included in the one-year and three-year fees). Membership is nontransferable and nonrefundable.*

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_

I was recruited by \_\_\_\_\_ Recruiter Mbr. No. \_\_\_\_\_

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