



From Our President

Greetings, NCMA Jacksonville!

I hope everyone is safe and well as we continue to adapt to our current circumstances. The NCMA Jacksonville chapter continues to follow the recommendations of state and local authorities by suspending chapter luncheons and group events for the time being. NCMA National has recently provided virtual training opportunities to fill the void. The Jacksonville chapter will continue to publicize these opportunities as they become available. I would like to personally express my gratitude to all the individuals providing essential services for our community during this difficult time.

On a brighter note, I would like to congratulate our very own Wanda Wallace for her recent publication in the April edition of [Contract Management Magazine](#). Wanda's article, Mitigating Subcontractor Risk Through Quality Assurance, is a great read. It is a user-friendly guide for both prime contractors and subcontractors at all levels who manage complex contracts. It's a short read (less than ten minutes) but should help both commercial firm and government contract administrators be more effective managers.

Mike Groeger, CFCM

President

Member Milestones

Calendar

**LAST CALL FOR
CHAPTER ELECTIONS!**

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05/12/2020, 8:00AM MDT

[Free Webinar: Cyber
Security Confab \(NCMA
Rio Grande Chapter\)](#)

RSVP Required

05/27/2020 - 05/28/2020

[8\(a\) Alliance Federal
Contracting Conference](#)
@ Wyndham Lake Buena
Vista

Congratulations to our NCMA JAX members celebrating membership anniversaries:

Dennis Bourgault (4) Caretha Brown-Griffin (10)
Deane Leidholt (18) Stephen Lipsky (9)
Deborah Thompson (11)

NCMA JAX Membership - Not Just for Locals

Approximately 20% of NCMA JAX members live well outside our traditional membership area (Northeast Florida and Southeast Georgia). This month's honoree is D. Purushotham, an Indian national contract manager with over 30 years' experience developing best practices and process improvements at various major construction sites around the world. By way of explanation, Indian names normally use just the initial of the family name and the person's full given name.

He is a Professional Engineer with a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering, a master's degree in Planning, and Diploma in Construction Management from three distinguished Indian universities. Throughout his career, he demonstrated exceptional professional competence and leadership in every contract management team. He recently completed a five year period as General Manager of Contracts on a \$220 Million multinational project to upgrade oil terminal depot facilities in Kuwait and is waiting for COVID-19 travel restrictions to allow him to visit his family in India before reporting to his next overseas post.

Purushotham just celebrated his fifth NCMA anniversary with a transfer to the JAX Chapter. He also has family in Jacksonville and is enrolled in the online CPCM course and expects to earn that certification in the coming year. Welcome to JAX Chapter, Purushotham. We hope to see you at a future chapter event.

CFCM Study Group Postponed

The Certified Federal Contract Manager (CFCM) study group scheduled to start in March 2020 has been delayed until precautions and restrictions related the COVID-19 outbreak have been lifted. Please contact VP (Education / Certification) Wanda Wallace, CFCM, CPCM at wwallace811@gmail.com for additional information.