

From Our President

Hello, NCMA JAX members!

As NCMA continues to plan events into the Spring 2022, please assist and actively promote our upcoming events. The events are a membership benefit, but more important a venue to attract new members and network throughout our region with businesses and government contracting professionals. Last month, we talked a little bit about mentoring and for February I'd like to discuss the NCMA Fellow designation, who often are some of our best mentors.

According to the NCMA Headquarters website it was in "July 1966, the Board of Directors established the category of a Fellow." This time-tested designation is a critical recognition that is a cornerstone to our membership foundation. Our Fellows are valuable and appreciated.

What is a 'Fellow' you might ask? "A Fellow is an individual who has made significant contributions to the field of contracting and to NCMA." Early chapter Fellows include Larry Belge, Grady Jacobs, and Susan (Sue) Gatlin (later became Gatlin- Troche). Aside from being nominated the member must also meet the criteria as evaluated by a scoring rubric which is under review by NCMA Headquarters.

Fellows are critical in the organization and NCMA highlights numerous reasons as to why they are below:

Calendar

03/02/2022

NCMA HQ Webinar

[Strong TogetHER: Do's and Don'ts of Resumes, Interviews, and Onboarding](#)

03/23/2022

NCMA HQ Event

[SubCon Training Workshops](#)

03/31/2022

NCMA JAX Webinar

[Commercial Item Determination and Price Analysis Review](#)

05/24/2022, 8:30-3:00

NCMA JAX In-Person Event

[Disaster Recovery Contracting - Are You Prepared?](#)

New Members

Welcome to our newest chapter members:

- Jennifer Carter

- Provide continuous support in a leadership role within NCMA and the contract management profession;
- Participate as a member of the Council of Fellows and as an active member of our local chapter;
- Contribute to efforts to enhance and expand the professional acceptance of membership and certification; and
- Mentor and develop up-and-coming leaders.

Do you see yourself as a Fellow? If so, why? If not, why?

Our Jacksonville Fellows make a positive impact on our chapter. We greatly appreciate their support! Fellows have been instrumental through the years in the realization of our goals and objectives, provided sage knowledge advising on our future direction as an organization, and are always available to discuss issues relevant to the contract management profession. You too may want to step up and become a Fellow. Give it some thought and please direct any questions to one of our most supportive Fellows - Bill Swan at twoswans911@comcast.net.

In closing, I would like to push for your support to begin publicizing our capstone event on May 24th, 2022 at UNF. We all need to do our part to make this a successful experience. There is no time like now to really push the 3 C's "collaboration, commitment, and community" and use them to draw attention and support for this key programming initiative. As always, feel free to provide advice or recommendations any time.

- Brittany Wakefield

Member Milestones

Congratulations to NCMA Jacksonville members celebrating membership anniversaries.

- Allyn Basore (1)
- Tom Brownfield (29)
- Dr. Diane Bublak (4)
- Jason Centrella (9)
- Enid Cummings-Brown (9)
- Lee Gearing (2)



Michael Scuteri,
CFCM
Chapter President

Disaster Recovery Contracting - Are You Prepared?

IN PERSON EVENT

UNF Adam W. Herbert University Center

8:30AM - 3:00PM

May 24, 2022

Join NCMA Jacksonville and representatives from multiple government agencies as we discuss the specific contracting challenges that arise during a declared disaster. Morning speakers will provide an introduction to disasters and the disaster management cycle (mitigate-prepare-respond-recover) and a candid discussion on what companies can expect when dealing with the federal, state, local and non-profit organizations deployed to provide support.

An afternoon networking session for businesses, government agencies, and non-profit organizations to discuss contracting opportunities is included in your registration!

[REGISTER NOW](#)

Local Members' Article Published in Contract Management Magazine

Congratulations to NCMA members **Bill Swan, Jr., CPCM (Ret), Fellow** and **Wanda Wallace, CFCM, CPCM** on having the article they cowrote published in NCMA's *Contract Management* magazine. Look for 'Back to Basics: The 3 Rs of Chapter Member Engagement' on page 4 of the February 2022 issue. Great job, you two!

DHS CISA Issues a 'Shields Up' Advisory

Due to increasing geopolitical tensions, the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) issued a "Shields Up" advisory. The full advisory can be found at <http://www.cisa.gov/shields-up>.

The Defense Industrial Base (DIB) is one of 16 official United States critical infrastructure sectors. Like the other critical infrastructure sectors' leaders, we're reaching out to encourage you to do three things:

1. **Heed the advisory.** CISA's guidance provides tips on reducing the likelihood of a damaging cyber intrusion, detecting potential intrusions, prepping organizations to respond to intrusions, and maximizing resilience for organizations to a destructive cyber incident. Following CISA's guidance can harden infrastructures potentially targeted by adversaries

and significantly mitigate the impact of operations targeting the DIB.

2. **Report Cyber Incidents.** DFARS 252.204-7012 specifies a contractor's requirement to rapidly report cyber incidents impacting Covered Defense Information (CDI) and/or the ability to perform operationally critical support within 72 hours of discovery to DCISE (<https://dibnet.dod.mil>).

3. **Get Assistance and Partner.** These three organizations can assist you:

- DoD Cyber Crime Center's (DC3) DoD - Defense Industrial Base Collaboration Information Sharing Environment (DCISE)
 - <https://www.dc3.mil>
 - DC3.DCISE@us.af.mil
 - 24/7 Hotline – 1-877-838-2174
 - National Security Agency's Cybersecurity Collaboration Center (CCC)
 - <https://www.nsa.gov/About/Cybersecurity-Collaboration-Center>
 - National Defense Information Sharing and Analysis Center (ND-ISAC) – ND-ISAC is the official ISAC for the DIB Critical Infrastructure Sector recognized by DoD and DHS. The ND-ISAC is a private sector self-organized and self-governing entity. It is a trusted partner providing exceptional technical solutions and support to its members.
 - <http://www.ndisac.org>
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