

From Our President

Hello, NCMA JAX members!

Happy New Year! I hope you are effectively managing your resolutions for the new year. I was reading the NCMA HQ website and came across a list of membership benefits. Of course, there are many listed, but one I felt was an especially good initiative to add in our daily life. The title is “Mentor the next generation of leaders”. A few questions come to mind: Do I have a mentor? Can I mentor? What is required to be a mentor?

In NCMA mentoring is going on all the time informally through our meetings, our conversations, our events, and our relationships. All good stuff. When I think of a mentor within the chapter leadership, Bill Swan comes to mind. He is always mentoring the executive council on our roles and responsibilities, our tasks at hand, and our chapter requirements to ensure we are ready and prepared as leaders to do what needs to be done in support of NCMA JAX. At the same time, he is preparing other future leaders through his mentoring to take on greater leadership responsibilities. Thank you, Bill!

In the profession itself, whether you are working for private industry or the government it is important to find a mentor. If you have been mentored and want to give back, then find time to be a mentor to someone as well. If you have not seen this, the Federal Acquisition Institute published the Contracting Professional’s “Road Map” and along this journey “to do” tasks are identified. Number 6 is “Find a Mentor.” Check out the roadmap online at:

<https://www.fai.gov/tools/contracting-professionals-career->

Calendar

01/27/2022

NCMA JAX Webinar

[Dissecting CMMC 2.0](#)

02/01/2022 - 04/05/2022

NCMA JAX & Space Coast

[CFCM Study Group \(online\)](#)

02/17/2022 and 02/24/2022

NCMA HQ Webinars

[Contract Life Cycle: Using the CMBOK as Your Guide](#)

02/24/2022

NCMA JAX Webinar

[CPSR in the Time of COVID](#)

New Members

Welcome to our newest chapter members:

- Katie Marrette
- Charles Pourciau
- Nora Ruebrook
- Aisha Ward

Member Milestones

Congratulations to NCMA Jacksonville members

With the new year upon us, challenge yourself to become a mentor, or if you are new to the profession find a mentor. NCMA JAX is a great place to establish relationships and hunt for that mentor you can count on to help you advance in the contracting profession. Reach out to us if you are interested in becoming a mentor or willing to, and if you are at that stage in the roadmap you need to find a mentor, please see if we can assist. It's a valuable membership attribute.

In closing, I am especially happy to be beyond 2021 and am looking forward to 2022. Remember to set goals, one should be to get the most out of your membership. Remember the 3 C's of "collaboration, commitment, and community" and use them to perhaps find a mentor as it will enhance your NCMA experience. As always, feel free to provide advice or recommendations any time. Stay safe!

celebrating membership anniversaries.

- Leigh Bandy (10)
- Dawn Brown (18)
- Susan Dela Cruz (15)
- Lonzel Fanniel (1)
- Rachel Griner (15)
- Charlotte Lawson (18)
- Rita Lyons (5)
- Richard Poulin (7)
- Charles Pourciau (2)
- Stephanie Sompotan (11)
- Molleka Swain (7)
- Shelly Vongchanta (1)



Michael Scuteri,
CFCM
Chapter President

NCMA JAX Membership - Not Just for Locals

This month's honoree is Calvin (Cal) Caldwell who has been an NCMA member since 2013. Some might wonder why he is being recognized as a "far away" member; "Isn't he still at USMC Blount Island?" Cal recently moved halfway around the world and now works as Contracts Branch Manager at the Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) Public Works Division for Commander, Fleet Activities in Sasebo, Japan. He served as NCMA JAX Chapter Vice President for Programs in 2014-2015. More recently, he presented Government Contracting Officer positions in several "point – counterpoint" presentations. He holds both the CPCM and CFCM credentials and encourages his younger employees to stand out by obtaining a professional credential such as an NCMA certification.

Although there are no NCMA chapters in Japan, he is still a vocal and stalwart supporter of NCMA within the DOD community and is trying to develop a CFCM study group for his current work group. Cal has lived and worked in five countries. He believes NCMA provides the opportunity to tap into a network of professionals to seek contracting advice when a unique situation presents itself. He spends his off-duty time with his beautiful wife and two lovely daughters, and also enjoys playing golf with other NCMA members.