THE GALAXY

NATIONAL CONTRACT MANAGEMENT
ASSOCIATION (NCMA)/SPACE CITY CHAPTER
NEWSLETTER—OCTOBER 2003

From the Board:

Our Chapter Board has been discussing many topics over the past few months, and one of the important items is the issue of membership distribution of Chapter information. We have decided to do as much as we can via e-mail distribution and utilizing the posting ability of our new, updated website.

However, we are currently updating our distribution lists based on current membership e-mail addresses provided to our membership chair and the NCMA national website. National is also updating their membership information, so it is possible that some members could be missing some of our distributions. We are working hard to get our distribution as up to date as possible to ensure all members receive all chapter information.

With this in mind, please make sure that your information is correct and updated in the national website. Also, it would help the board out during this interim period when we are updating information, if chapter business that you receive is forwarded to whomever you feel is appropriate so that as many people as possible are exposed to our luncheons and conferences. Thanks,

J.R. Carpentier, NCMA V.P., Programs-Space City Chapter

October Luncheon Meeting

There will be no luncheon this month due to the NCMA Fall Conference

"Quotable"

Blessed is the man, who having nothing to say, abstains from giving wordy evidence of the fact.

~ George Eliot ~

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 28 & 29, 2003: NCMA Fall Conference

November 20, 2003 Luncheon Meeting
"Success in Business through Customer Service"
Jim "Mattress Mac" Mcingvale
The Gilruth Alamo Ballroom 11:30—1:00

December 2003: Holiday Social

January 22, 2004: Luncheon Meeting
"Time Management Made Easy"
Peter Turla
The Gilruth Alamo Ballroom 11:30—1:00

February 26, 2004:
"Columbia Accident Investigation—Procurement's Role"
Vann Jones, MSFC Contracting Officer
The Gilruth Alamo Ballroom 11:30—1:00

2003 FALL CONFERENCE— REGISTRATION STARTS SEPTEMBER 15TH!

2003 FALL CONFERENCE
Acquisition: Meeting Today's Needs

Banquet: Tuesday, October 28
Conference: Wednesday, October 29
Location: Hobby Airport Hilton

Banquet Speaker:
Brigadier General Edward M. Harrington, DCMA Director

Conference Speakers:
Colonel Ronald C. Flom, Defense Acquisition University, Commandant
Randy Gish, NASA/JSC, Procurement Officer
Brig. Gen. Edward M. Harrington, DCMA, Director
Deidre Lee, DOD, Director of Defense Procurement
Tom Luedtke, NASA/HQ, Asst. Admin. for Procurement
Patricia Olsen, Boeing Integrated Defense Systems, VP of Contracts & Pricing
Eleanor Spector, Lockheed Martin, VP of Contracts

Cost: $165/member, $190/nonmember ($15 discount for early registration)
Early Registration: Sept. 15 thru Oct. 3
Regular Registration: October 6 thru 22

Visit our website: http://ncmaspacecity.org/ for more information and the registration form!

NCMA Audio Seminars

By Carla Stinson

Want to take advantage of some training opportunities that NCMA has to offer but you're short on time and your organization is short on budget? Here's a way to get more bang for your buck:

Periodically, NCMA hosts audio seminars that you and your co-workers can avail yourselves of right from your workplace. All you need is 90 minutes and a speaker phone. The cost is just $125 per site. So scheduling an NCMA audio seminar in a conference room filled with 8-10 of your co-workers makes this a very cost-effective way of getting some very useful information. Log on to: http://www.ncmahq.org/education/audio.asp for more details.

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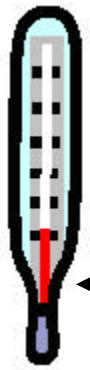

Gold: 250—330 points

Silver: 225—249 points

Bronze: 200—224 points

Quality: Minimum 125 points

Our Chapter's points to date: 92

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

By Carla Stinson

NCMA milestone anniversaries for October include:

Donald Bailor, S&B Engineers & Constructors, 5 years
Stephen Cleland, NASA, 15 years
Jennifer Matchett, SAIC, 20 years
David Wood, Dean Witter Reynolds, 20 years, also an NCMA Fellow

And please give a big welcome to our new members:

Helen Ekstrom, DynCorp
Marilyn Hardin, Boeing
Barbara Sweet, Boeing

And we're lucky to be joined by Michael Dodds at SAIC, who has recently transferred his NCMA membership to Houston.

If any of you have co-workers who are interested in joining NCMA but have not yet done so, please have them contact me for information.

Chapter Funds Statement

NCMA - SPACE CITY HOUSTON CHAPTER
Statement of Funds
30-Aug-03

BEGINNING FUNDS BALANCE - August 1, 2002		$56,615.10
RECEIPTS		
Interest	86.11	
Luncheon Receipts	358.00	
Total Receipts		444.11
Total Funds Available		57,059.21
DISBURSEMENTS		
Mailing	4.30	
Leadership Summit Travel	1,415.70	
Aug Luncheon Fees	1,113.20	
NCMA Dues Initiation Fee Reimbursements	20.00	
Total Disbursements		2,553.20
ENDING FUNDS BALANCE - August 31, 2003		$54,506.01

Note: Funds balance includes checking, savings, and certificates of deposit

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