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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Team Redstone,

As I reflect on the many blessings this month and everything that is going on let me first wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving! If you ask me what I'm most thankful for this year it is my family, friends, job/colleagues, health and freedom. I'm very proud to be an American and part of ASMC.

Thank you, Officers and Committee Chairs/Members, for your continued service and support. I would like to give a big shout out to all those that have served and/or currently serving in our Armed Forces. We just concluded Hero's Week this month at the Westin. I had a blast playing cards with some of our Veterans and catching up as well as getting to know more folks from our Chapter.

I have not seen the final numbers yet on this community project, but I'm being told it is close to the 300-hour range. So, for the many (and I mean many) ASMC members that took time out to support Hero's Week (you know who you are) let me just say you are Awesome!

We have more community projects coming up in December. A great way to meet someone new in the Chapter (network with others in your profession) and also a great way to give back. We will be supporting Christkindlmarket 2023, at the Orion



Jeff Bacon ASMC Redstone – Huntsville, Chapter President

Amphitheater the weekend of 8-10 December as well as, Kids to Love at the Curtis Cares Center Monday through Saturday until 8 December. For more information, please contact Sebrina Wren at sabrina.wren@mda.mil.

In addition, be part of the 2nd Annual Christmas on the River at Ditto Landing 1-31, December assisting in concessions, parking and way-finding. As well as, on 9 December from 4-6 serving the less fortunate at the Salvation Army Emergency Shelter. If interested in these events I encourage you to reach out to Rebecca Hunt at lachelle334@gmail.com.

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EXTERNAL LINKS

- Local Website: asmc-rsa-hsv.org
- Chapter LinkedIn:

asmc-rsa-hsv

- National Website: asmconline.org
- Join ASMC: <u>asmconline.org/</u> <u>membership/join/</u>

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Continuation of President's Message

I want to thank Ms. Christina Freese for coming out this month to our luncheon and providing an excellent presentation on "A Conversation About Leadership". I really enjoyed the dialogue and conversation that it brought to those attending. If you haven't been to a luncheon lately, they are typically the 2nd Thursday of the month.

Coming up in December we will be celebrating our annual ASMC Christmas Party on Tuesday, 5 December @ 1100-1230. Be on the lookout for more details – I have no doubt it is going to be a good time. I really hope you consider coming out and having some well-deserved fun!

I want to thank Nancy Howe, our Audit Committee Chair for her efforts in finalizing our annual ASMC financial audit. I really appreciate your due diligence, time and recommendations on the audit. We are very lucky to have your support and help!

I want to thank Daphne Turner, our Treasurer for her efforts in finalizing our annual tax return. No need for extensions this year – Daphne made it happen (great job) ahead of schedule. I'm very thankful for that

I'm trying to get all that is required to continue operation on post sent to the Garrison by the end of the month. I appreciate your help Daphne gathering supporting documents for that as well.

Debbie O'Neal and I are grateful for the opportunity to serve with you. If there is anything that we could be doing better for the membership please don't hesitate to reach out to either of us at onealdeb@nehp.net or, jeffrey.a.bacon6.civ@army.mil.

I would like to finish this message with a short poem by Doe Zantamata which sums it up pretty well: "Thank you. Eight little letters, one little space, tell you the reason for the smile on my face. I want you to know that for all that you do I sincerely appreciate, love, and thank you".

Be safe over the Holidays & continue to do great things. Thank you ASMC for all that you do!



American Society of Military Comptrollers Redstone/Huntsville Chapter President

5 Star Chapter

Announcements & Reminders

Today is a great day to review your ASMC Membership Profile! Please visit the ASMC website and update your contact information (email/phone/organization) today. Visit www.asmconline.org We still have some members that have not changed their email address from *mail.mil* to army.mil. Please review and update your email address ASAP.

ASMC Redstone-Huntsville Chapter Membership Committee:

Madisone Betts, Khoe Tran and Stephanie Russell



5 Dec - Christmas Party

7 Dec - December Board Meeting

4 JAN - January Board Meeting

11 JAN - January PDE

Our next Executive Board Meeting is 7 DEC 2023 at 11:30 AM.

Please make sure there is a representative from each committee present for the monthly board meeting if at all possible. If you or a representative from your committee are unable to make it, please send your committee updates ahead of time and let one of the officers know you won't be in attendance.



^{*}Virtual attendees will need to provide personal email address to be granted access to Professional Development Events.

^{**}Please note since we are conducting blended meetings, speakers must present at least 50 minutes to earn 1 CPE/CET. The first 30 minutes of the meeting is for those physically attending to allow time to check in and get their meal.

November Monthly PDE

Thank you to Ms. Christina L. Freese, SES Acting Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel, G-1 Headquarters, U.S. Army Material Command for being our speaker at the November luncheon. Ms. Freese presented on the topic of "A Conversation About Leadership".



Ms. Christina Freese



Ms. Christina Freese and Jeff Bacon,
President



Ms. Kathryn Vanscoy and Ms. Christina Freese



ASMC CHRISTMAS PARTY

Tis The Season To be Jolly Tuesday, December 5, 2023 11:00 am – 1:00pm





LOCATION: The Atrium at Redstone Federal Credit Union, 220 Wynn Drive Huntsville AL 35893



Menu: Roasted Turkey with Pan Gravy, Baked Ham, Salad, 2 additional sides, Dinner Rolls, Dessert: Apple Cobbler Coffee, Tea, Water



For Reservations or Questions Please Contact: Daphne Turner - daphne.d.turner.civ@army.mil



Please make reservations by Noon, Friday, December 1, 2023 https://www.eventbrite.com/e/asmc-christmas-party-tickets-757951973757?aff=oddtdtcreator

Events:

Western Theme
Pull out your Cowboy Boots and Hats!!
Surprise Giveaways!!

Annual Christmas Party

SAVE THE DATE!

Date: December 5, 2023

Location: The Atrium

Time: 11:00 am

Theme: ASMC's Country Christmas

Attire: Western (Cowboy boots, shirts, jeans, belts, and hats) optional

Entertainment: Musical Chairs, Line Dancing, \$500 in Cash Prizes

Best Western Dressed Contest, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes



We are requesting donations for T & K Transitional Housing and Residential Services, Inc.

- Paper towels
- Paper plates
- Tissues
- Dishwashing liquid
- Laundry detergent
- Clorox
- Trash bags
- Floor cleaners
- Pillows
- Bath soap

- Tooth brushes
- Tooth paste
- Mouth wash
- Combs/brushes
- Shampoo/conditioner
- Twin sheets set
- Full sheets set
- Lysol



Certifications Committee

CDFM Scholarship Available! Elsie Steffany Memorial Scholarship Award

→ **Purpose:** This award will recognize one individual who demonstrates exceptional dedication to professional development and clearly committed to public service.

→ Award Criteria

- Entrants must be members in good standing of the American Society of Military Comptrollers at the time of submission and selection.
 - No member will be permitted to be a repeat winner.
- Nominee must submit an essay of no more than 600 words addressing the following questions:
 - o Why is public service in defense financial management important to you?
 - o Why is professional development and the pursuit of the CDFM certificate important to you?
- → Application Process/Deadline Essays must be submitted by 31 December to the member's local ASMC chapter. Each ASMC chapter president may submit one nomination.
- **→ ASMC Chapter Nomination Deadline -** By 31 December.

Winners will receive email notification by 1 May and results will be posted on the ASMC website.



Certifications Committee



The Certifications Program Committee is looking for a group of active CDFM credential holders (2 – 3 folks at minimum) who recently obtained their certifications within the last 1 – 2 years and who are interested in volunteering to lead and facilitate the chapter's CDFM Study Groups beginning in Jan 2024 thru May 2024 to prepare CDFM candidates for the examinations. Their services will be rotational with other Modules

1, 2 and 3 facilitators. The study groups will be held for one hour on weekdays during the regular lunch period. All study group attendees will earn 1 CET for their participation and be responsible for having their own study material (EDFMT most preferred).

Point of Contact: Elizabeth McCullough, Chairperson, Certifications Program Committee, at email elizabeth.a.mccullough@usace.army.mil.



Elizabeth~(Liz)~McCullough Certifications Program Committee Chair

Membership News Corner



2023-2024 Redstone/Huntsville ASMC Membership Committee:

Madisone Betts Stephanie Russell Khoe Tran

Membership News Corner

Welcome to Our New Members!!

WELCOME to our new members that have joined the Redstone/Huntsville chapter! We are beyond excited to see what great things you do in your career and in our chapter.

Monthly Recruitment Winner: Gina Hranilovic Monthly Appreciation Member: John Baxley





Our Chapter appreciates YOU! Please send us your suggestions on anything we can do to make your membership more valuable.

RETIRED MEMBERS:

Retiree Membership recognizes those ASMC members that are "fully retired" and not working in any profession other than occasional volunteer work. Unless requested by the Retiree member, Retirees will remain dues paying members in order to continue receiving a printed copy of the AFC Journal. (Retirees may request to be non-dues paying members and receive online AFC access only.

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Community Projects News Corner

Heroes Week

ASMC supported the Heroes Week November 6-12. Heroes Week is a program in which wounded warriors, from across the country are brought to North Alabama for a "Welcome Home" which many never received due to their injuries. The event allows the local community to show their appreciation and recognition of these service members, their spouses, and their caregivers. They are honored at a Veterans Day parade, Marine Corps Birthday celebration, yacht cruises on Lake Guntersville, aerial tours of North Alabama by private pilots, and numerous lunches and dinners hosted by local organizations and businesses.

ASMC supports this event by manning the Operations Desk at the hotel where the guests are staying during the week, providing information, direction, and general support for the event as needed.

Total Volunteer Hours = 461! (Member Hrs: 291, Non-Member Hrs: 170)



Community Projects News Corner

Heroes Week





Rebecca Hunt
Community Projects Chair

Community Projects News Corner

Upcoming Events!

Christmas on the River at Ditto Landing

Volunteers Needed- Volunteer shifts are just 2-3 hours. https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0845AFA72AAAFCC25-45636331-christmas#/

Christkindl Market 2023

December 8th - 10th, 2023 Orion Amphitheatre

https://artshuntsville.volunteerlocal.com/volunteer/?id=79800

Kids to Love

Curtis Cares Center, 140 Castle Drive, Madison, AL 35758

Monday through Saturday until December 8, 2023

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/kidstolovecurtiscarescenter2023

Salvation Army Emergency Center

305 Seminole Drive

1st Session Serving the Less Fortunate

9 December 4-6 pm

Limited to first 15 to sign up.

Rebecca Hunt
Community Projects Chair

Newsletter News Corner



Want to volunteer to help with the newsletter?

Want to contribute articles, pictures or ideas?

Know someone that should be honored for their contribution?

Know someone retiring or that has passed on from our chapter that we should pay tribute to?

Send them to the Newsletter Community Chair, DeOnah Young-Norfleet via email at dyoung-norfleet@bdo.us or deonah.t.young-norfleet.ctr@army.mil.



DeOnah Young-Norfleet
Newsletter Chair

2023-2024 Executive Board and Committees

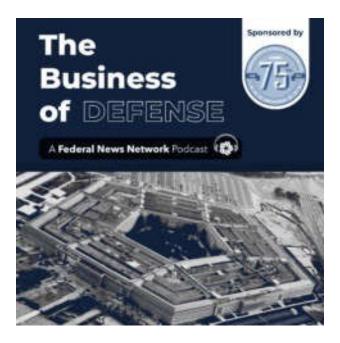
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National ASMC News Corner

Listen to ASMC's Podcast The Business of Defense

In case you missed it, The American Society of Military Comptrollers recently launched a new video podcast - **The Business of Defense** - in partnership with the Federal News Network!



Listen to the latest episode with Steve Geary, President of Supply Chain Visions (SCV) and partner in Supply Chain Vistas below:

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