



# Sequoyah Chapter

# SMOKE SIGNALS

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## *President's Message...*

It looks like we are finally getting some Spring-time weather! With Mid-year reviews and annual appraisals behind us, we are now looking forward to receiving our full-year funding and electing a new slate of ASMC Sequoyah Chapter officers. And let's not forget to have a little fun along the way. The Tinker All FM picnic is scheduled for 24 May 2018 at 1100 and will be held at the Tinker AFB picnic grounds.

Please take the time to consider serving as an officer for the 2018-2019 year. Officer inductions will take place at our June luncheon and nominations are being received until 4 May 2018. In case you were wondering, yes you can nominate yourself. Serving as an ASMC officer is an excellent opportunity to network with FMs from across Tinker AFB and to build on your resume for future job opportunities.

Our chapter membership has remained steady over the past year, but there is always an opportunity to gain members. As new personnel come on board, let them know about ASMC and encourage them to join. Also, don't forget to renew your membership when it comes due. The ASMC national office is holding drawings each month to award gift cards to those who renew their membership early. We do not plan to hold a luncheon in May due to the Tinker All FM picnic and National ASMC PDI in Denver, CO. Hopefully many of you will have an opportunity to attend one or both of these events. Enjoy the warmer weather and thanks for all you do to support the warfighters!

*~Michael Coleman*  
President, ASMC Sequoyah Chapter





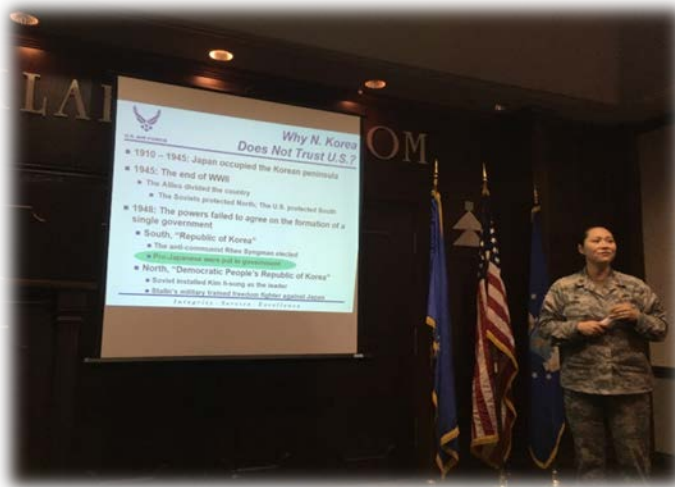
## COMMUNITY SERVICE



We are scheduled for New Construction on 9 Jun 18 and we will know the location and exact time the week before. They have roughly 12 homes in construction at all times. Volunteers must be at least be 16 years old and all tools are provided. Dress appropriate for manual labor.

## APRIL LUNCHEON

We held our April luncheon in the Oklahoma Room in Bldg 3001 and our guest speaker was Maj Yesun Yoon, 72nd Comptroller Squadron Commander. Topic presented was “Do Sanctions Against North Korea Work?” Major Yoon is a Certified Foreign Area Officer. Total attendance was 48 people.




## JOURNAL OPPORTUNITY

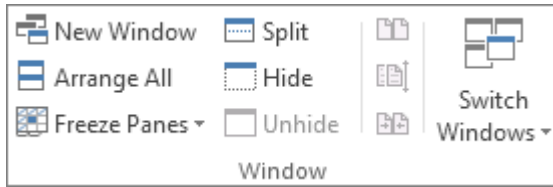
Looking for the aspiring (or accomplished) journalists out there...  
If you have any information, expertise, or general topics that you would like to share with a broad Air Force FM audience, ASMC Sequoyah would be happy to help you get published in the Air Force Comptroller magazine.

## TECH CORNER


**Are you frustrated with the new Excel 2013 interface when you open up a second workbook to compare it to the first one?**

**To view two worksheets of different workbooks side by side**

1. Open both of the workbooks that contain the worksheets that you want to compare.
2. On the **View** tab, in the **Window** group, click **View Side by Side** .



If you have more than two workbooks open, Excel displays the **Compare Side by Side** dialog box. In this dialog box, under Compare Side by Side with, click the workbook that contains the worksheet that you want to compare with your active worksheet, and then click **OK**.

3. In each workbook window, click the sheet that you want to compare.
4. To scroll both worksheets at the same time, click **Synchronous Scrolling**  in the **Window** group on the **View** tab. Minimize all other applications, right click on the Windows Taskbar and select "Show Windows Stacked".

**Note:** This option is available only when **View Side by Side** is turned on.

## 2018-2019 EXECUTIVE BOARD ELECTIONS

It is that time of year again to nominate new and/or re-elect current officers to the ASMC Sequoyah Chapter executive board. The one-year term for the Sequoyah Chapter executive board members is from June 2018 - June 2019. All executive board positions are available for nominations, except President and Advisor\*. We will be accepting nominations until **4 May 2018**. The Nominees will be notified and asked to confirm acceptance of their nominations. We will then send out a ballot for members to vote on the new officers. The results will be announced via email and new officers sworn in during the June luncheon.

## ASMC NATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL PROGRAM

Thanks to those of you who renewed your membership early or on-time in February! Congratulations to our "RENEW" YEAR's Resolution program March winners! Richard Tuttle of the Tampa Bay Chapter and Terri Shenk of the Central NY Leatherstocking Chapter each won \$50 gift cards, and the \$150 gift card was awarded to James Harvey of the Washington Chapter!

Each month, all on-time or early renewals will be entered into a random drawing to award two \$50 gift certificates and one \$150 gift certificate, respectively for those renewing on-time or early for one or three years. In addition to contacting the members who win the drawings, we will announce the winners on our website and social media. Renew your membership here [\[ http://www.asmonline.org/membership/renew \]](http://www.asmonline.org/membership/renew) .

### ASMC MEMBER ENGAGE PLATFORM

Have you taken advantage of the newest ASMC member benefit? Engage in an interactive service platform provided by Higher Logic, has been adapted for integration with your ASMC membership. Our goals with Engage are (1) to use the collaboration platform to create an interactive space where ASMC chapters and individual members can communicate with their colleagues, and (2) enhance



chapter administration and engagement with members via communications among officers and members through the use of the “chapter” community.

We believe the use of Engage will allow our members to better network and collaborate with each other. Log into Engage at [<https://engage.asmcconline.org/home>], using the email address and password associated with your ASMC member account.

## **CDFM STANDARD SETTING WORKSHOP PARTICIPANTS, WE THANK YOU!**

A team of dedicated Certified Defense Financial Managers (CDFMs & CDFM-As) convened in Old Town, Alexandria, VA, on March 9-11, 2018, at a Standard Setting Workshop to establish passing standards for the new CDFM Module 1-3 exams. Up to this point, with the help of our contracted test development vendor HumRRO (the Human Resources Research Organization), groups of subject matter experts (SMEs) have helped us update the CDFM exam blueprints, weigh the competency areas, write new exam items (questions), review existing exam items, and create and “pilot test” new exam items.

For three days, a diverse group of volunteers from all over the country received training in exam standard-setting best practices and reviewed the exam items for the new CDFM Modules 1, 2, 3. They made expert judgments about each test item and discussed those judgments with the other participants to reach consensus. Additionally, because the group worked so well together and finished earlier than expected, and because six of the 14 SMEs were CDFM-As, the CDFM-As also reviewed the Module 4 pilot exam items we have thus far. However, since we have not arrived at the desired sample size for this module, pilot testing for Mod 4 will continue for a while longer. We are administering Mod 4 pilot testing at the European PDI, Aloha Chapter RPDI, and National PDI, and we continue to reach out to local CDFM-As to come in and test at ASMC HQ.

As part of the next steps, HumRRO is now working on calculating the mean estimates for each item and then will sum the estimates across all items. After this step, a recommended cut score for each exam will be presented to the Certification Commission. Once this is done, the exam forms will be ready to be deployed in the summer.

## **CDFM RELATED EVENTS AT THE NATIONAL PDI IN DENVER**

We will offer Pre-PDI courses on Monday, May 28, and Tuesday, May 29 from 8 am – 5 pm. Textbooks must be purchased separately for the Module 1-3 sessions.

- CDFM Module 1 (1-day): Resource Management Environment \$250
- CDFM Module 2 (1-day): Budget and Cost Analysis \$250
- CDFM Module 3 (1-day): Accounting and Finance \$250
- CDFM Module 4 (2-day): Acquisition Business Management \$475 \*Fee includes textbook

CDFM exam testing sessions will be held Tuesday through Friday, May 29 – June 1, 2018, with the 6 am start time beginning on Wednesday. Module 4 Pilot testing will take place at PDI, as well. The CDFM Reception, sponsored by IBM, will take place on Thursday, May 31, at 6:30 pm.

## **CHECK YOUR ASMC MEMBERSHIP PROFILE**

In issuing invitations to a recent training event, we received a few “undeliverable” notices on email addresses. Unfortunately, until sometime in the future when we update our current association management system or migrate to another system, if a member makes an error in typing in their



email address, the system does not catch the error. Thus, we ask that all members be very careful when they enter their email address into their member profile. If you are not receiving membership updates (and also notices of an approaching membership expiration date, it may be that your email address is either not current or is incorrectly reflected in your membership profile. Next time you access your membership account through the ASMC website, please take a moment just to ensure that your email address is correct. Also, if you're not using your personal email address, we suggest you change your work email address to your personal (GMail, Yahoo, AOL, etc) address, so as to avoid any server firewall issues that might block delivery of email to your account.

**ALL FM PICNIC!**

**Tinker AFB Picnic Grounds**  
(Just west of the Golf Course off Arnold St.)

**THURSDAY MAY 24<sup>th</sup> STARTS AT 11 AM**

See Ticket Monitor to purchase ticket!

Org	Ticket Monitor	Phone	Dish
AFSC	Pam Myers	734-1422	Side Dish
	Dennis Macy	622-7969	
OC-ALC			Dessert
72 CPTS	SRA Alexis Fry	734-3099	Dessert
448 SCMW	Jaime Nix	582-9518	Dessert
552 ACW	Daria Crane	734-2654	Dessert
AFNWC	Kristie Tirey	739-8889	Dessert
AFLCMC	Patsy Provines	736-5301	Chips

Join us for the Annual "All FM" Picnic!  
\$5.00/person  
Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Smoked Chicken, Sliced Brisket, Rolls, Water, and Soda

Door Prizes! FUN! Games! Dunk Tank! Volleyball!

Tickets on sale 16 Apr – 14 May 18



**MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

**TREASURY REPORT**

**Active: 152 Inactive: 56 TOTAL: 208**

**As of EOM March: \$7,370.25**

**2017-18 EXECUTIVE OFFICERS**

<b>Board Position</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Board Position</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Phone</b>
President	Michael Coleman	336-5639	Comm Svc Officer	Michael Potts	339-4267
Senior Vice President	Dustin Gier	739-4333	Fundraising Officer	Brenda Walker	336-8549
1 <sup>st</sup> VP of Membership	Jaime Nix	852-9518	Treasurer	Krista Grooms	852-9486
2 <sup>nd</sup> VP of Programs	Carla Saulsberry	884-3046	Secretary	Kristen Cochran	884-3041
3 <sup>rd</sup> VP of Publicity	Stephen Sims	852-9683	Advisor	Lt Col Stephen Brogan	310-416-1610
4 <sup>th</sup> VP of Professional Development	Patrick Steelman	892-7968	Website Manager	Kriste Tirey	339-8889
5 <sup>th</sup> VP of Awards and Scholarships	Dennis Macy	892-7969	Historian	Michelle Sundbye	336-7647
			Certification Officer	Amanda Newton	339-4761