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## To Think ... and to Act ... Differently!

As many of you know, I am on temporary duty in Washington DC. And while here, I have had many opportunities to see the sites. One opportunity was Mt. Vernon, the home of **George Washington**. So, imagine my pleasant surprise after seeing Allen Foster's art work in last month's newsletter!

While visiting Mt. Vernon, I was able to walk the grounds, tour the mansion, study the furnishings, admire the period architecture, and most importantly, reflect on the person, George Washington. I found that he *could not accept things as they were*. He was always searching for improvements. He even improved the process for separating wheat by designing and building a threshing barn. To him, *the status quo was not acceptable*.

Thus, what does this mean to the Buckeye Chapter and to this year's theme about adding value to self, community, and country? It is sometimes easy to accept things as they are or expect someone else to solve a problem. *It is difficult to think like our first President and even more difficult to take the initiative and do something about it. But, if we did...*



Ben

by Ben Roberts  
President, Buckeye Chapter  
American Society  
of Military Comptrollers  
(Photo: John Maynard Jr.)



## Welcome!

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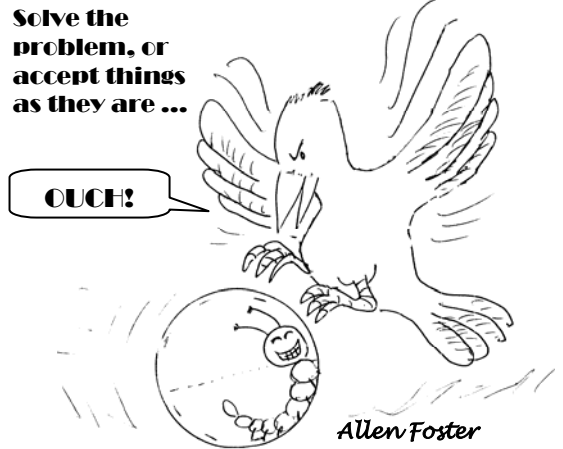
**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

President	Ben Roberts
P-Elect	Debra White-Johnson
VP-Participation	Lisa Snyder
VP-Programs	Joy Fenwick
Secretary	Christy Prenoveau
Treasurer	Rena Walters



**JONATHAN WITTER**  
Deputy Site Director  
DFAS-Columbus  
(Photo: DFAS Corp Com)

**Solve the problem, or accept things as they are ...**



Allen Foster



**Adding Value ...  
Self, Community and Country!**



**AMERICAN SOCIETY OF MILITARY COMPTROLLERS  
BUCKEYE CHAPTER \*\*\*\*\* CHARTERED: JULY 17, 1990**



Member Appreciation/Annual Awards Luncheon Photos – Jul 17

(See list of recipients on p. 3)

Photos: John Maynard Jr.



MC: Mathews



100 Attendees



Pres: Neefe



Bail

Snyder & Wife



Roach



Fenwick



Poling



Foster



Miller

Exec. Committee Minutes – Jul 23

Bldg 21 Rm B413 12:00-1:00 PM

1. Officers Present (5 = Vote: Quorum): Fenwick; Prenoveau; L. Snyder; Walters; White-Johnson. Past Presidents Present (1 = No Vote): J. Snyder.

2. Issues:

Aug Luncheon: New date: 18th; C136/7.

Co-Chairs: Several are needed; review Historian for need; combine Speakers & Meetings. Audit chair cannot do audit. Need new list.

HQ Reports: Those due are in; copy Pres./P-El./Competition Committee for everything sent.

Aviation Chapter: Joint Meeting = tabled.

Luncheon CPEs: target 4 meetings; Joy F. to check with AGA (Aubrey Martin) on details.

Speaker Gifts: Do donations/pens/umbrellas?

Hearing Impaired: survey for interest; seek certified interpreter (who is a chapter member). May have a (certified?) volunteer. Budget it?

New Member Orientation: explore content/frequency/date(s) for new chapter members.

Mailing Envelopes: Lisa & Jim will donate so Charles can mail membership checks monthly.

Planning Bd. Agenda: for Aug. 6 – Competition Packet & Budget (need to reassess: Debra).

3. Adjourned – Next Meeting: Aug 20.

Christy Prenoveau, Secretary

HQ ASMC News (www.asmc.org)

• PDI 2008 Online – Free CPEs! Would you like to earn free CPE credits? You can access selected workshops and Service Day sessions, along with the briefing charts, online at: http://www.asmc.org/development/extendedlearning.shtml>.

• Module 4 Open Enrollment Class will be held August 12-13 at the Hope Hotel and Conference Center in Dayton, Ohio. Cost for the class is \$295. All training materials will be provided on the first day of class. The exam will be offered to class attendees (only) at a special discount price of \$50 (a \$45 savings). Register at: https://secure.rhq.com/diyreg/R08-08-12-CDFM/attreg/index.cgi>.

Planning Board Minutes – Jul 9

Bldg 21 Rm B413 12:00-1:00 PM

1. Officers Present (5 = Vote: Quorum): Fenwick; Prenoveau; L. Snyder; Walters; White-Johnson. Past Presidents Present (1 = No Vote): Neefe.

2. Chairs Present (9 = No Vote): Bail; Baker; Benton; Blount; Belinda Harris; Mathews; Miller; R. Smith; Palmore.

3. Reports/Issues: W-J to solicit co-chairs.

Audit: Corrigan needs time to work it.

CDFM: Aug study groups; Sep exams; Mod 4 Aug class in Dayton – register at HQ web site.

Community Service: Broadleigh collection Aug 7-19/DSCC too!; cash pay @ website. Miller will shop. Winter collection o/a Thanksgiving.

Education: Aug luncheon @ Ramada Inn.

Historian: Dorothy Wallace volunteered.

Meetings: July = Awards. Neefe to present; W-J to cover for Roberts; Casasanta to take photos for program (Neefe to write intro).

Membership: Need new list of names. Does chapter get rebate if members renew/pay dues on-line? Miller to check with HQ.

National PDI: Need supervisor's ok to attend.

Nominations: Neefe to handle electronic part.

Publicity: Nowicki will back up Smith.

Speakers: W-J to speak to Francis/Mr. Hale.

Special Events: Need co-chair.

Ways/Means: Need co-chair. Projects tabled.

4. Motion: Rollover unused OBW stipend to '09. Moved: Fenwick; 2nd: Walters. Passed.

5. Adjourned – Next Meeting: Aug 6.

Christy Prenoveau, Secretary



## Annual Awards Ceremony (104 Recipients=30% of Members; Highest Award) – Jul 17

<b>PRESIDENT'S AWARD (Pen Set)</b>		Jim Snyder, Newsletter Editor		
<b>(9) SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARDS (Pen &amp;/or "Free" Lunch)</b>				
Priscilla Applegate, CDFM	Barb Bail, Co-Chair CDFM	Joy Fenwick, Vice-President		
Allen Foster, Newsletter	Robert Mariani, CDFM	Charles Miller, Co-Chair Edu.		
Pam Nowicki, Ch PDI; CDFM	Debra Poling, Broadleigh	Terry Roach, Co-Chair Awds.		
<b>(94) CHAPTER SERVICE AWARDS (Pen &amp;/or Certificate)</b>				
<b>(5) CHAPTER OFFICERS</b>				
Roger Neefe, President		Ben Roberts, President-Elect		
Steve Berry, Vice-President	Lisa Snyder, Secretary	Andre Lindsay, Treasurer		
<b>(22) COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS/CO-CHAIRS</b>				
Dawn Allen	Mary Baker	Beth Bing	Shirley Benton	
Teresa Blount	Shirley Brooks	John Collier	Sharon Esmont	
Carl Francis	Theresa Lannan	Mary Mathews	John Maynard	
Juan McGuire	Macy Newman	Gwen Palmore	Rebecca Smith	
Melissa Stevens		Julia Tark	Sonya Thompson	
Renaе Walters		Teresa Woods	Carla Woolford	
<b>(67) MEMBERS</b>				
Marylou Beachy	Michael Beal	Nicolle Bivins	Joan Blackwell	
Tanita Brown	Mardia Burgos	Kafentse Cade	Emma Carter	
Deb Crolla	Marilyn Davidson	Sheila Davis	Cynthia Drosos	
Jim Gillenwater	Helen Grimes	Le-Keshia Hamm	Cheri Hanby	
Roberta Hensley	Gail Hester	Whitney Izzard	Diana Javor	
Carol Ann Kaesler	Mona Kaufman	Kathy Knese	Karen Kuhn	
Barb Lining	Melonie Long	Angela Maalik	Deadra McIntosh	
Bonita Miller	Minerva Moorehead	Cathy Morehouse	Diana Nelson	
Karl Noreus	Jenny Novotny	Yolanda Ogburn	Melinda Owens	Donna Page
Robert Palmieri	Michael Pappas	Camille Parker	James Parker	Nalin Patel
Karma Payne	Yoley Perez	LeVans Poole	Susan Porter	Stephanie Reed
Aixa Rivera	Jose Rodriguez	Sydnee Seward	Nancy Shacklock	Loren Shaw
Latonya Shivers	Evelyn Soto Giraud	Marcia Spence	Rosalind Thompkins	Mamie Torain
Bob Tuttle	Deb Van Wagner	Simon Vargus	Betty Wasto	Glenda Wearren
Roberta Wetherbee	Tim White	Jill Wilcox	Lisa Wingfield	Freda Winter



**New Members WELCOME!**

Brenda Fowler  
Christal Harris  
Charles Miller, Chair



**PDI 2008 – In General**

**By Barb Bail, Buckeye Chapter Member  
PDI 2008 Synopsis**

It was a privilege for me to have the opportunity to attend this year's ASMC National PDI in Orlando. I was able to meet and interact with numerous other attendees, in particular, Defense Agency customers/clients of DFAS-CO from Ft. Belvoir, Philadelphia, Scott AFB, Pensacola, and Richmond.

I attended the Microsoft workshops on Tuesday, the DFAS Service Day workshops on Wednesday and eight other workshops Thursday and Friday listening to informative topics such as "Quetsch Lecture: Special Operations and the Global War on Terror", "How to Write Right", "Joint Personnel Administration - Lessons Learned from the United Kingdom", "Global War on Terror Cost of War Reporting", "Building Defense Budgets: The View from the White House", "Predicting the Level of Future Defense Spending", "Budget Execution", "The 110th Congress and the DoD Budget".

The CDFM Reception was held Thursday night at the beautiful outdoor area of the Marriott. The Honorable Robert Hale (ASMC Executive Director), Mr. John Bunnell (ASMC CDFM Director), and Dr. Katherine Thompson (ASMC National President) spoke briefly to those in attendance. We were also treated with yummy appetizers and sweets.

At all the general sessions we were privileged to hear motivating messages from some great public speakers.

**PDI 2008 – Lean6 Workshop**

**By Renae Walters, Buckeye Chapter Member  
PDI 2008 Synopsis**

The Lean6 Process Improvement workshop was facilitated at the 2008 Orlando PDI Thursday afternoon by Keith Furman (Program Director) and Gary Somerville (Core Black Belt, Accountant). Four years ago, during the program's inception, Keith and Gary were among the first wave of DFAS-certified Black Belts.

Approximately 30 people actively participated in the Papr-Co simulation, which was a hands-on exercise and modified version of the DFAS Green Belt training activity, while the other participants observed. Papr-Co's corporate motto is "Making the world a better place—one paper airplane at a time". This fun and interactive exercise served to demonstrate the practical necessity of examining existing business processes for improvement opportunities. The Papr-Co exercise encouraged innovation in researching process enhancements that may greatly increase productivity and morale. It demonstrated how Lean6 tools and techniques can greatly enhance an organization's ability to meet its strategic goals.

loPPEA is an acronym that represents DFAS' tailored approach to Lean6 process improvement techniques. It provides a fact-based methodology consisting of five toll-gates that lead to two levels of certification. The toll-gates are: (a) Identify Opportunities, (b) Prioritize Options, (c) Plan Project, (d) Execute the Plan, and (e) Achieve Results. The two levels of certification currently available are Green Belt (GB) and Black Belt (BB), both of which provide extraordinary professional enrichment and career enhancement opportunities. Master Black Belt (MBB) certification will also be provided for Core Lean6 BBs in the near future.

Lean6 is quite simply the most effective tool we have at DFAS to affect business process improvements and lead cultural change. For anyone who is passionate about driving positive change, Lean6 certification is definitely the way to go!! If you are interested, I highly recommend that you consider applying for the one-year developmental assignment (DA) and/or LIM rotations. Quarterly DA/LIM announcements are distributed through Corporate Communications.

You can visit Lean6 on the DFAS e-Portal at: <https://eportal.dfas.mil/portal/server.pt?open=512&objID=423&PageID=0&cached=true&mode=2&urlID=433139>



## This Month's Event

This is a  
New Date!

### WHO & WHAT

*Speakers: Camp Attendee(s) and  
OBW Executive Director*  
Annual Ohio Business Week Summer  
Business Camp Graduates' Reports

### WHEN & WHERE

Mon., Aug 18th 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM  
DFAS Conference Center (C136/7)

### COST

\$11 Members; \$13 Non-Members

Special Diet - Call: Macy Newman



### EVENTS



## Next Month's Event

### WHO & WHAT

*Speaker: Jonathan Witter (Invited)*  
DFAS-CO Dep. Site Dir.  
Annual Local AGA/ASMC Chapters'  
Joint Luncheon

### WHEN & WHERE

Thu., Sep 11th 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM  
DFAS Conference Center (C136/7)

### COST

\$11 Members; \$13 Non-Members

Special Diet - Call: Macy Newman

## School Supplies Collection



**Broadleigh  
Elementary School**

Mr. Andrew Smith III  
3039 Maryland Ave.  
Columbus, Ohio 43209  
614-365-6144

Hand sanitizer, book covers, school boxes, blunt  
scissors, #2 pencils, notebooks, dividers, folders,  
paste or glue, and 24 (or more) count crayons.

**DATES: August 7-19**

Watch email/break rooms for POC info.

Mary Baker, Chair 2C-097

Donate Cash @ [www.asmcbuckeye.org/  
PP%20Broadleigh%20Donations.htm](http://www.asmcbuckeye.org/PP%20Broadleigh%20Donations.htm)

**Columbus Reads**



At Broadleigh Elementary (Maryland Ave.)  
10:15-11:45 AM - Tue. or Thu. – Oct-May  
**English & Spanish Tutors Needed!**

Supv. OK Needed: Send copy to Charles Miller  
No Leave Needed! Buses To & From Provided!

Register @ [www.asmcbuckeye.org/  
formreg/comsvcs.htm](http://www.asmcbuckeye.org/formreg/comsvcs.htm) by Sep. 19

1 Hr. Training is given last week of September.

## Editor's Corner

This Newsletter is authorized and funded by  
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due by the 25th of the Month prior to the Month  
of Publication. Send your articles to the  
Compositor-Editor: [Jim.Snyder@dfas.mil](mailto:Jim.Snyder@dfas.mil)

## Honored Members

### CONGRATULATIONS!

(7) June Promotions

**Shirley Brooks**

**Lyndsey Foell**

**Greg Galusha**

**Katina Green**

**Leslie Harrell**

**Jeff Peters**

**Tim Segebarth**

(1) 30 Years Federal Service

**John Maynard Jr.**

(4) Green Belt Certified

**Tom Kissner**

**Greg Swonger**

**Julia Tark & Tracey West**

(3) CDFM Certified

**Vicki Conner, Andy Flynn**

**& Renae Walters**

## Treasurer's Report

As of Jun 30, 2008



### CHECKING

Beginning Balance \$ 439.22

Receipts + 13,668.00

Disbursements - 2,084.82

**Ending Balance \$ 12,022.40**

### SAVINGS

Beginning Balance \$ 6,035.72

Deposits + 1,308.37

Withdrawals - 0.00

**Ending Balance \$ 7,344.09**

FUNDRAISER ACCT \$ 913.65

**BALANCE \$20,280.14**

Renae Walters, Treasurer

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**COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS**

Audit	Emma Carter
Awards/Competition Co-Chair	Mary Mathews Theresa Roach
CDFM Certification Co-Chair	Theresa Lannan Barbara Bail
Chapter Family	Juan McGuire
Chapter History	VACANT
Community Service Broadleigh Elementary	Melissa Stevens Mary Baker
Meetings Co-Chair	Macy Newman Shirley Benton
Membership Co-Chair Co-Chair	Charles Miller Belinda Harris Carla Woolford
Newsletter Co-Editor Cartoons	Jim Snyder VACANT Allen Foster
Nominations/Elections On-Line Process	John Collier Roger Neefe
PDI Eligibility	Pam Nowicki
Publicity Photography	Rebecca Smith John Maynard
Scholarships/Education Co-Chair	Shirley Benton Theresa Blount
Special Events Co-Chair	Gwen Palmore VACANT
Ways & Means Co-Chair	Teresa Blount VACANT
Webmaster	Renaе Walters



3990 E. Broad St. - Bldg. 21  
Conference Room B413



**CDFM Study Groups Calendar**

**Module 1: Resource Management**

**Mondays: Aug 4, 11, 18, 25, Sep 8, 15 (Review)**

Host: Pam Nowicki 693-0266

**Module 3: Accounting & Finance**

**Tuesdays: Aug 5, 12, 19, 26, Sep 9, 16 (Review)**

Host: Priscilla Applegate 693-7060

**Module 2: Budget/Cost Analysis**

**Wednesdays: Aug 6, 13, 20, 27, Sep 10, 17 (Review)**

Host: Barbara Bail 693-0657

**All Groups Meet in Bldg 21 Room A420: 11-Noon  
SEE HQ ASMC NEWS (p. 2) FOR MOD 4 OPEN CLASS!**

**Mod 1 Audio Training: Sep 3&4: Noon-4 PM Ea. Day  
Bldg 21 Room B114 (Ohio)**

**Notify us of interest NLT Aug 22**

**CDFM Testing: Monday, Sep 22: 9-11 AM; 1-3 PM  
Bldg 21 Room B123 (Scioto)**

**Notify us of module/time slot choices NLT Sep 12**

Theresa Lannan 692-5378 or Barbara Bail 693-0657

**Events (Held in DFAS Bldg 21 or As Noted) Calendar**

Planning Board Meeting (B413, Noon-1 PM)	Aug 6
AGA Member Luncheon (C153, 11:30-1:00)	Aug 14
<b>OBW Grads Luncheon</b> (Ramada, 11:30-12:45)	<b>Aug 18</b>
Executive Cmte. Meeting (B413, Noon-1 PM)	Aug 20
AGA Audio Conf.: Performance Mgt (TBD, 2-4)	Aug 20
Planning Board Meeting (B413, Noon-1 PM)	Sep 3
<b>CDFM Mod 1 Audio Tng</b> (X???, Noon-4 PM Ea.)	<b>Sep 3/4</b>
<b>New Officer Transition Audit Due to ASMC HQ</b>	<b>Sep 8</b>
AGA Audio Conference: Fraud (TBD, 2-4)	Sep 10
<b>ASMC/AGA Joint Luncheon</b> (C136/7, 11:30-1)	<b>Sep 11</b>
Executive Cmte. Meeting (B413, Noon-1 PM)	Sep 17
<b>CDFM Test Day</b> (B123, 9-11 AM, 1-3 PM)	<b>Sep 22</b>
<b>Officer Listing Due to ASMC HQ</b>	<b>Oct 7</b>
Planning Board Meeting (B413, Noon-1 PM)	Oct 8
AGA Member Luncheon (TBD, 11:30-1:00)	Oct 9
<b>Luncheon</b> (TBD, 11:30)	<b>Oct 16</b>
Executive Cmte. Meeting (B413, Noon-1 PM)	Oct 22

**Community Service Calendar**

**For Community Service Events – Volunteer at:**

<http://www.asmc buckeye.org/formreg/comsvcs.htm>

<b>Mid-Ohio Food Bank</b> 9 AM-Noon (1625 W. Mound St.)	Aug 2
<b>Broadleigh School Supplies Collection</b> (See POC List in Your Email or Break Room; see Ad p. 5)	Aug 7-19
<b>Center of Science &amp; Industry (COSI) Family Fridays</b> 5-9 PM (333 W. Broad St.)	Aug 29, Sep 26, Oct 30
<b>Columbus Food &amp; Wine Affair</b> 6:30-10:00 (Franklin Park Conservatory – 1777 E. Broad St.)	Sep 5
<b>Broadleigh Columbus Reads Tutoring</b> 10:15-11:45 (3039 Maryland Ave: Tue./Thu.; see Ad p. 5)	Oct-May