



# NCMA Voice

**May 2008**

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## Membership Meeting

- Where:** DoubleTree Hotel
- When:** **Wednesday**  
**May 07, 2008**
- Workshop:** 10:30 am - 11:30 am  
**Ms. Wendy Bryant**
- Social:** 11:30 am
- Lunch:** 11:45 am
- Cost:** \$14.00 for Members  
\$15.00 for Non-Members
- Speaker:** **Mr. J. T. Howell**  
*Acting Federal Project Director,  
DOE-ORO (IFDP)*
- Menu:** Fresh Garden Salad w/Ranch  
or Honey Dijon Dressings  
Meat Lasagna with Garlic Bread  
Southern Style Green Beans  
Asst. Dinner Rolls with Butter  
Dessert – Chef's Choice  
Coffee, Decafe, Iced Tea, Water

*Please pay at the door with  
cash, personal check, or  
company check only*

*Please be sure to make your  
reservations by close of business on  
Monday, May 05, 2008*

**See You There!!**

## President's Corner

Earlier this month I had the pleasure to attend the NCMA World Congress held in Cincinnati, Ohio. It was an excellent opportunity to hear from both government and business leaders on many central issues facing our profession. This year's conference theme was "Ensuring Trust in the Acquisition Process through People, Teams and Tools." There were over 100 presentations offered, networking receptions, lunch and dinner speakers along with an Exhibit Hall with many businesses and agencies represented.

Our program committee has lined up another excellent speaker for May 7th. Mr. J. T. Howell, DOE-ORO Acting Federal Project Director for the Integrated Facilities Disposition Project (IFDP) will be our speaker. His timely topic will be "The Integrated Facilities Disposition Project." We also have an excellent workshop scheduled for May 7th. Ms. Wendy Bryant will lead our 10:30 workshop discussing "The Contract Dispute Act" and "The Historical Basis and Appellate Forums and Procedures."

**Sonny Rogers**

## A Note From the Vice President Officer Nominations for Program Year 2008-2009

We are preparing for officers for the 2008-2009 Program Year. Those positions include Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. We are also seeking volunteers to participate on various committees for NCMA. If you are interested in being nominated or volunteer-

ing for one of these positions, please let me know as we will be electing officers in the upcoming month.

**Rebecca Crowe**

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## Speaker

Currently, Mr. Howell is on special detail as the Acting Federal Project Director for the Integrated Facilities Disposition Project (IFDP). This project will decontaminate and decommission more than 200 facilities located at the Y-12 National Security Complex (Y-12) and Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL); treat and dispose legacy materials/waste including remote-handled and transuranic materials/waste; reconfigure waste treatment facilities at Oak Ridge National Laboratory including soil and groundwater remedial actions, surveillance and maintenance of excess facilities, and waste treatment and disposal operations. In addition, this project will enhance the advancement of modernization efforts at Y-12 and ORNL. In this position, Mr. Howell manages and directs the Integrated Project Team (IPT) whose membership includes representatives from DOE's Office of Environmental Management (EM), Office of Science (SC), National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA)/Y-12, BWX Technology (BWXT), and UT Battelle (UT-B).

Mr. Howell is a graduate of the University of Alabama and holds a bachelor's degree in civil engineering. He has more than 30 years of experience in engineering and project management.

## Workshop

Mark your calendars! Colonel Wendy Bryant, Assistant Chief Counsel for Contracts and General Law at the Department of Energy Oak Ridge Office, will discuss the claims and disputes process. She will cover topics such as the Contract Dispute Act, the historical basis and appellate forums and procedures. The workshop is on May 7th at 10:30 a.m. to

11:30 a.m. in the DoubleTree Boardroom. It is held prior to the membership luncheon.

Markesha McCants, Education Committee Chair

## Colonel Wendy Bryant Biography

Wendy Bryant is currently a Colonel in the U.S. Air Force (USAF) Reserves. She works at the Department of Energy Oak Ridge Office as the Assistant Chief Counsel for Contracts and General Law. She is responsible for legal issues concerning contract and procurement matters, labor and personnel, ethics and standards of conduct, and litigation management. Before joining ORO's Office of Chief Counsel in 1991, Bryant served as a claims attorney for the U.S. Army in Kaiserslautern, Germany, and then as a contracts attorney at the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. Prior to that, she served four years of active duty in USAF and was based at Maxwell Air Force Base in Alabama, and then at Clark Air Force Base in the Republic of the Philippines.

A native of Ooltewah, Tennessee, she received her Bachelor's of Science degree in Biology from East Tennessee State University. She obtained her law degree from Memphis State University's Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law in 1983, where she was a member of both the Law Review and the Moot Court Board. Bryant also served as an adjunct professor for the University of Tennessee College of Law, teaching contract drafting to second and third year law students.

## Membership Committee

Have you seen the newly updated NCMA National website?? It is available at [www.ncmahq.org](http://www.ncmahq.org) and it contains more great information about NCMA and careers in contracting than we could ever begin to describe here. You can find information on upcoming seminars, Internet educational opportunities, membership, job postings, and a host of other topics that can be useful to you as a member and as a working Contracts Manager. You can also update your personal information, join NCMA, or

renew your membership online at the site. Please take a few minutes to look at the great new format when you get a chance.

We want to welcome new members to the chapter who have joined in recent months. When you see them at a meeting take a moment to welcome them personally and encourage them to take an active role in our chapter. Our newest members are:

Jane Hamilton  
Johnnie Keck  
A. Salama  
Georgi Sherin  
Judith Ollman

We look forward to seeing you at our meeting.

***Beth Holt and Jud Kingman***  
***Membership Co-Chairs***

## Newsletter

Next month will be the last newsletter for the program year. Please be thinking of any new ways we can improve our monthly bulletin to increase its optimum potential. We value your opinion and we encourage all feedback.

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# East TN NCMA

## *Meeting Pictures*

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## *Program Schedule*

2007 - 2008

<b>September 06, 2007</b>	<b>Membership Meeting</b> 11:30 am DoubleTree Hotel	<b>Speaker: Judy Wilson</b> Director, Procurement & Contracts DOE - Oak Ridge Office
<b>September 19, 2007</b>	<b>Board Meeting</b> 11:30 am Scientific Sales, Inc.	
<b>October 06, 2007</b>	<b>Workshop</b> 10:30 am DoubleTree Hotel	<b>Speaker: Dr. Ray Husband</b> Consultant, Advanced Management, Inc.
	<b>Membership Meeting</b> 11:30 am DoubleTree Hotel	Director, Amer. Centrifuge Program Technology & Process Engineering USEC, Inc.
<b>October 17, 2007</b>	<b>Board Meeting</b> 11:30 am Scientific Sales, Inc.	
<b>November 15, 2007</b>	<b>Membership Meeting</b> 11:30 am DoubleTree Hotel	<b>Speaker: Ed Simpson</b> Director, Procurement & Assistance Management, DOE Headquarters
<b>November 21, 2007</b>	<b>Board Meeting</b> 11:30 am Scientific Sales, Inc.	
<b>December 12, 2007</b>	<b>Membership Meeting</b> 11:30 am DoubleTree Hotel	<b>Speaker: Jackie Jackson</b> Executive Director, YWCA of Oak Ridge
<b>December 19, 2007</b>	<b>Board Meeting</b> 11:30 am Scientific Sales, Inc.	
<b>January 09, 2008</b>	<b>Membership Meeting</b> 11:30 am DoubleTree Hotel	<b>Speaker: Dr. Thom Mason</b> Director, Oak Ridge National Laboratory
<b>January 16, 2008</b>	<b>Board Meeting</b> 11:30 am Scientific Sales, Inc.	
<b>February 06, 2008</b>	<b>Membership Meeting</b> 11:30 am DoubleTree Hotel	<b>Speaker: Mr. William Thornton, III</b> Procurement Director, B&W Y-12

<b>February 20, 2008</b>	<b>Board Meeting</b> 11:30 am <i>Scientific Sales, Inc.</i>	
<b>March 05, 2008</b>	<b>Workshop</b> 10:30 am <i>DoubleTree Hotel</i>	<b>Speaker: Mr. Don Sloan</b> <i>Consultant of government contracts.</i>
	<b>Membership Meeting</b> 11:30 am <i>DoubleTree Hotel</i>	<b>Speaker: Mayor Tom Beehan</b> <i>Oak Ridge, TN</i>
<b>March 19, 2008</b>	<b>Board Meeting</b> 11:30 am <i>Scientific Sales, Inc.</i>	
<b>April 02, 2008</b>	<b>NES</b>  <i>DoubleTree Hotel</i>	<b>Speaker: Mr. Mike Criss</b>  <b>Topic:</b> <i>Solicitations, Bids, Proposals, and Source Selection - Building a Winning Contract</i>
<b>April 16, 2008</b>	<b>Board Meeting</b> 11:30 am <i>Scientific Sales, Inc.</i>	
<b>May 07, 2008</b>	<b>Workshop</b> 10:30 am <i>DoubleTree Hotel</i>	<b>Speaker: Ms. Wendy Bryant</b> <i>Assistant Chief Counsel, Contracts &amp; General Law</i>
	<b>Membership Meeting</b> 11:30 am <i>DoubleTree Hotel</i>	<b>Speaker: Mr. J. T. Howell</b> <i>Acting Federal Project Director, DOE-ORO (IFDP)</i>  <b>Topic:</b> <i>The Integrated Facilities Disposition Project (IFDP)</i>
<b>May 21, 2008</b>	<b>Board Meeting</b> 11:30 am <i>Scientific Sales, Inc.</i>	
<b>June 04, 2008</b>	<b>Membership Meeting</b> 11:30 am <i>DoubleTree Hotel</i>	<b>Speaker: Mrs. Sallee Reynolds,</b> <i>Principal, Hardin Valley Academy</i>  <b>Topic:</b> <i>Academic Structure at the new Hardin Valley Academy</i>