



NCMA Voice

January 2009

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MEMBERSHIP MEETING

- Where:** DoubleTree Hotel
- When:** **Wednesday**
January 07, 2009
- Social:** 11:30 am
- Lunch:** 11:45 am
- Cost:** \$15.00 for Members
\$16.00 for Non-Members
- Speakers:** **MS. MARY DAGLEY COPELAND**
Attorney, Contracts and General Law, DOE-ORO
- Topic:** **ORGANIZATIONAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**
- Menu:** Fresh Garden Salad w/Ranch or Honey Dijon Dressings
Meat Lasagna w/ Garlic Bread
Southern Style Green Beans
Hot Yeast Rolls & Butter
Dessert – Pumpkin Pie
Coffee, Decafe, Iced Tea, Water

PLEASE PAY AT THE DOOR WITH
CASH, PERSONAL CHECK, OR
COMPANY CHECK ONLY

**** PLEASE SEE BELOW
FOR NEW INSTRUCTIONS ****

See You There!!

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Happy New Year!

I hope that everyone had a blessed holiday season. I would like to thank all of you who attended our December meeting. It was a great treat to hear from Mr. Wilcox and learn the true history of the City of Oak Ridge. I felt like a kid during story-time and could only wish that time would stand still for just another moment.

I look forward to seeing each and every one of you at our January meeting, where we will be distributing our 10-year membership pins. If your name is listed below, please plan to attend.

I would also like to encourage each of you to participate in our 2nd Cup of Coffee Book Club. We are reading Lessons From The Hive by Charles Decker, and let me tell you it is GREAT! We had an enjoyable discussion in December and look forward to many more. If you are interested it is not too late to join.

Cheers to a wonderful new year and to seeing you at the January Meeting.

Rebecca Crowe

SPEAKER

Mary Dagley Copeland

Mary is an East Tennessee native, born in Knoxville, and a graduate of Oak Ridge High School. She spent her elementary school days in Simi Valley, California, where her father worked for the aerospace industry before moving back to Oak Ridge.

Mary attended Tennessee Technological University where she met her future husband, John Copeland. They married in her sophomore year and settled in Harrogate, Tennessee, where John became a biology

professor at Lincoln Memorial University. Mary graduated magna cum laude from LMU in 1984 while working at the University full-time as the executive secretary to the Vice President for Development. In 1988, Mary left LMU for law school at the University of Tennessee where she worked for Fran Ansley, a distinguished professor specializing in social justice. During law school, Mary was involved with the Tennessee Association for Public Interest Law (TAPIL). She graduated in the top ten percent of her class in June 1991. In August 1991, Mary joined the Office of Chief Counsel at ORO where she is a member of the Contracts and General Law work group. She works issues involving procurement, contract administration, federal employee ethics, finance, and employment law.

With team leader Wendy Bryant, Mary taught Contract Drafting for several semesters at UT's College of Law.

Outside interests include: Being very active in her church, Sinking Springs United Methodist Church in Clinton, and co-facilitating monthly meetings of the Knoxville Suicide Grievers Group, which provides a safe place for people grieving the loss of a loved one to suicide. (Mary and John lost their son Lucas at the age of 16 in September 1996.) Additionally, Mary loves to knit, fish, read and bake.

Mary and her husband John have a daughter, Lydia Gwyn, who lives in Bayonne, NJ, with her husband Thomas and their son (Mary's grandson and the light of his grandparent's lives) Seamus Edward Gwyn.

MEMBERSHIP

Give the gift of NCMA for the Holidays – bring a friend!

We hope that you enjoy your Holiday season. stay safe, and we will see you soon!

Jud Kingman and Tim Melton
MEMBERSHIP CO-CHAIRS

EDUCATION FLASH

Join us for a live, interactive Cost Estimating Fundamentals Audio Seminar on January 20, 2009 at 12:00 PM at Commerce Park No. 1060. Mr. Gregory Garrett and Mr. Brent Calhoon will discuss critical cost estimating challenges facing both U.S. Government

agencies and industry. Attendees will also have the opportunity to ask questions on a variety of topics relating to cost estimating, so come prepared with any specific questions you may have.

Mr. Garrett, CPCM, Fellow, PMP, of Navigant Consulting, Inc., is an international educator, best-selling author and highly respected consultant who provides a wide range of professional services to help government contractors improve performance results. Mr. Calhoon, CPA, of Navigant Consulting, Inc., advises government contractors on complex accounting, pricing, financial reporting and auditing matters, with clients ranging from small, private contractors to major, public companies.

If you do not have a Department of Energy issued badge, you must pre-register by submitting your name and the name of your company to reedmd@ornl.gov by close of business January 15, 2009. Please feel free to bring a brown bag lunch.

Markesha McCants
EDUCATION CHAIR

2ND CUP OF COFFEE GATHERING

Chapters: 6 - 9

Location: Books-A-Million in Oak Ridge

Date: January 15, 2009

Time: 12:00 pm – 12:50pm

COST ESTIMATING FUNDAMENTALS AUDIO SEMINAR

Location: Commerce Park, Room 1060

Date: Tuesday, January 20, 2009

Time: 12:00pm – 1:30pm

PRIME CONTRACTOR-SUBCONTRACTOR ISSUES

Location: Commerce Park, Room 1060

Date: April 23, 2009

Time: 12:00pm – 1:30pm

TREASURER'S REPORT

CASH 07/01/08	\$ 21,451.15
CASH INFLOWS	\$ 5,058.44
EXPENSES	\$ 6,607.34
CASH 10/31/08	\$ 19,902.25

SCHOLARSHIP & COMMUNITY RELATIONS

The ET NCMA Scholarship and Community Relations Committee have changed its scope this year by implementing the following activities:

1. Establishing relationships with area community colleges by meeting with faculty, attending area career fairs and speaking at business related classes on procurement and contacting careers.
2. Following up with past scholarship students on their academic status and career aspirations.
3. Promoting student memberships by encourages area community college to enlist their students.
4. Making students at area community colleges aware of procurement/contracting seminars, conferences and internships.

Through establishing ongoing relationship with area community colleges and continuing the relationships with scholarship recipients and participants, we hope to raise the awareness of the contract management profession and increase the number of contacting professionals in the workforce pipeline.

The committee has already started the process by participating in the Roane State Career Fair held November 12, 2008 at the Roane State, Oak Ridge campus.

STATE OF THE CHAPTER

Please visit www.ncmaet.com for the State of the Chapter.

HONORS & AWARDS

Congratulations to the following people on their ten years of NCMA Membership!!

J. Buford Clendenen	Lisa Coleman
Steve Shook	Mary Kathryn Collins
Jill Armstrong	Beth Holt
Bruce Bowland	Sharon Jacobs
Laura Davis	David Rice
Laura Houck	Judith Wilson
Penne Howard	Patricia Ferguson
Belinda Jenkins	Patricia Powell
Kathryn McMillan	Cynthia Babb Snow
Wayne Warren	

Donna Thompson

NEWSLETTER

I just wanted to let you know that it was wonderful to finally attend a luncheon and meet some of you!! Please remember that we truly do value your input on how we can make this newsletter as informative as possible – any and all suggestions are welcomed.

Happy, Healthy, and Safe Holidays to All!

Tracie Rucker and Dawn Palmer

NCMA CHAPTERS CONNECT

CHANGE TO NATIONAL ELECTIONS PROCESS

On August 3, 2008, the NCMA Board of Directors decided to revise the national election process, giving members the right to vote for national Board of Directors members in the annual national elections. Previously, this responsibility was assigned only to chapter presidents. The new change, which goes into effect for the 2009 national elections beginning in February 2009, provides all members a greater role in and exposure to governance of the association. The change was also motivated in part by a decline in Chapter President participation in the election process over the past several years—less than half voted in the 2008 national election.

The Board also decided to strengthen the candidate evaluation process, to select the most qualified candidates for inclusion on the ballot. The previous process allowed all candidates to be on the ballot, assuming they met certain minimum qualification criteria. This resulted in more than 31 candidates being on the ballot in 2008, making it difficult for voters to properly consider, evaluate, and choose from amongst the candidates. It is expected the new process will result in approximately twice the number of candidates as there are openings, still allowing voters choices.

The national election process begins in February 2009, with a call for interested parties – this notifies NCMA members that they may submit their names for consideration for positions on the national Board of Directors. The NCMA Nominations and Elections Committee will review and evaluate all interested parties and select the most qualified members to be placed on the ballot, which will be released to members for voting in March. This process also enables the committee to address key strategic objectives, such as Board diversity. Only members with active membership on the ballot date may submit votes in the national election. Voting will be conducted through a Web site. Please watch the NCMA Web site, Contract Management magazine, and this newsletter for further instructions.

Neal J. Couture

CPCM, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



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Book Club Pictures

December 2008

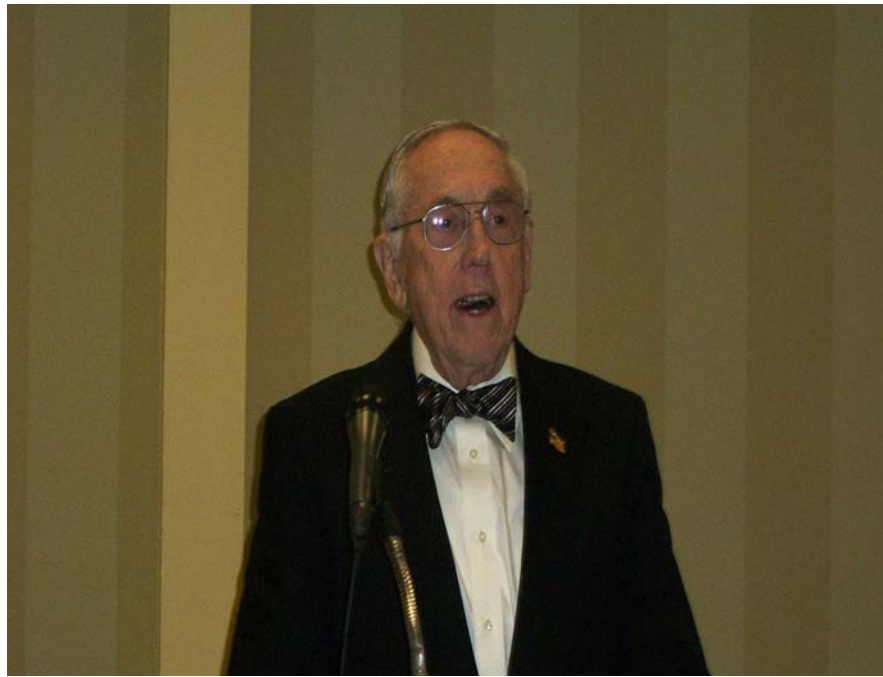




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Meeting Pictures

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Program Schedule

2008 - 2009

September 03, 2008	Membership Meeting 11:30 am <i>DoubleTree Hotel</i>	Speakers: Jill Albaugh Contracting Officer, DOE-NNSA YSO Judy Wilson Director, Procurement & Contracts DOE - Oak Ridge Office
September 17, 2008	Board Meeting 11:30 am <i>Scientific Sales, Inc.</i>	
October 01, 2008	Membership Meeting 11:30 am <i>DoubleTree Hotel</i>	Speaker: Charles "Chuck" Williams Small Business Specialist, NASA
October 22, 2008	Board Meeting 11:30 am <i>Scientific Sales, Inc.</i>	
November 05, 2008	Membership Meeting 11:30 am <i>DoubleTree Hotel</i>	Speaker: Sandra Jackson Senior Area Manager, U. S. Small Business Administration
November 19, 2008	Board Meeting 11:30 am <i>Scientific Sales, Inc.</i>	
December 03, 2008	Membership Meeting 11:30 am <i>DoubleTree Hotel</i>	Speaker: Bill Wilcox Oak Ridge Historian
December 17, 2008	Board Meeting 11:30 am <i>Scientific Sales, Inc.</i>	
January 07, 2009	Membership Meeting 11:30 am <i>DoubleTree Hotel</i>	Speaker: Mary Dagley Copeland Attorney, Contracts and General Law, DOE-ORO
January 21, 2009	Board Meeting 11:30 am <i>Scientific Sales, Inc.</i>	
February 04, 2009	Membership Meeting 11:30 am <i>DoubleTree Hotel</i>	Speaker: TBA



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Program Year 2008 - 2009

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