

***ASMC Professional
Development Opportunities***

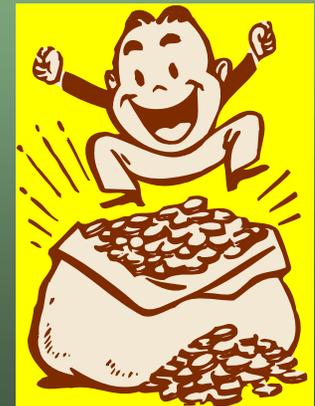
2006 DAU Business Managers' Conference

Hon. Robert F. Hale, CDFM
Executive Director
American Society of Military
Comptrollers



Agenda

- ⇒ Background on ASMC
- ⇒ FM workforce trends
 - What ASMC can offer you now
 - Future offerings



Overview of ASMC

- Private, non-profit organization specializing in professional development for defense financial managers
- About 18,000 members in 135 chapters
 - All military services and agencies, USCG
 - About 145 corporate members
- Managed by an Executive Committee
 - Mostly senior government types

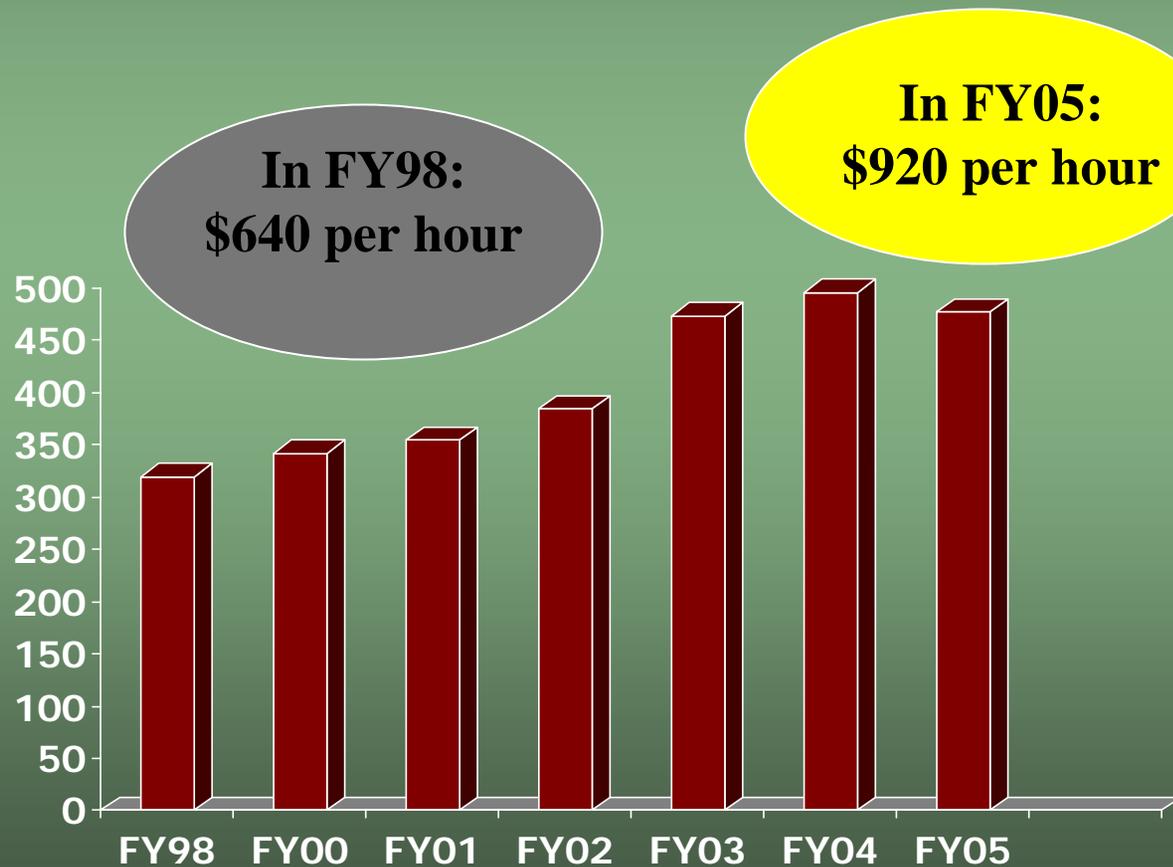


FM Workforce Trends

- Fewer government personnel
 - Decline about 2% per year since 1998
 - Likely to continue
- Increased workload
 - Budgets up sharply
 - Pressures of war
 - Demands for accountability



DoD Financial Managers Have Their Budgetary Hands Full



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Audio Conferences

- Live, interactive speeches given over 1-800 lines
 - ASMC charges to cover costs
- First three efforts have been well received
 - Fiscal law and contractors (Dec '05)
 - NSPS (Feb '06)
 - DoD Managers' Internal Control Pgm (Apr '06)
- Plan to institutionalize, perhaps five a year
 - Anti-deficiency act violations (July 18 at 2 pm Eastern)
- Convenient source of info and CPE credits

Watch Our Web Site (www.asmconline.org)



Videotaping Leaders

- Videotaped three senior FM leaders
 - Baldwin (Army FM), Greco (Navy FM), Gaddy (DFAS Director)
 - Short talks on status of organizations
- Sent out on CD and put on web site
- Limited feedback so far
 - But almost all positive
- Free source of CPE and information

[www. asmconline.org](http://www.asmconline.org)



ASMC Chapter Meetings

- ASMC has chapters at most major military installations
- Active chapters meet about eight times a year
 - Professional development speakers
 - Some social events

Web Site (Chapter Mgt/Chapter List)



Conferences

- National Professional Development Institute
 - PDI 2006: San Diego on May 30-June 2
 - 100 workshops, plenary speakers
 - Some workshops on acquisition/FM topics
- Regional/mini PDIs
 - e.g. Wash DC in spring
 - Speakers, workshops



Types of Workshops

- Budget (22%)
- Financial management (48%)
- Current issues (15%)
- Professional development (15%)



PDI 2006 Acquisition/FM Workshops

- Earned value and acquisition program
- Financial implications of contracting for acquisition programs
- Tips on responding to higher headquarters
- Programming and budgeting policies for acquisition programs
- Competitive sourcing
- Acquisition ethics and contractor support



Virtual Library

- Tapes (audio or video) of about 40 workshops and Service Day sessions
 - Professionally edited
 - Available at ASMC web site
- Learn latest in financial management area
- Earn CPE credits

Available about one month after PDI



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Test-Based Certification

- Certified Defense Financial Manager (CDFM)
 - Requires that you pass three tests
 - Experience requirements
- Optional fourth acquisition module
 - Tests DoD 5000 series rules, processes

www.asmconline.org/certification



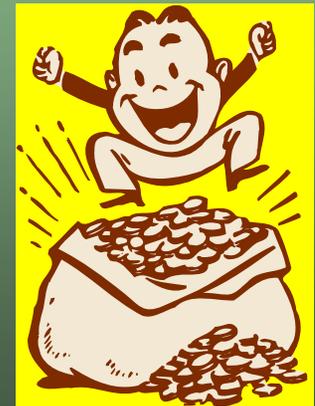
How to Prepare for CDFM

- **Best: Enhanced Defense Financial Management (EDFM) course**
 - One week course
- One-day training at selected chapters
- Pre-conference CDFM training at PDI 2006
- Chapter study groups
- Self-study



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Short Courses

- Short courses (2 to 4 hours)
 - Offered by audio (?) and/or webinar
- Topics
 - Mini FM topics (e.g. budget analysis approaches)
 - Professional development topics
 - FM organization (aimed at corporates)
- Partner with private teaching firms



Web-based Initiatives

- CDFM Study Group
 - Webinar and Q&A blog
 - Hire EDFM instructors
- FM best practices (idea exchange)
 - Solicit ideas of process improvements
 - Financial services, budget analysis, etc
 - Hire recent retirees with knowledge to monitor, summarize
- Career tips
 - Q&A on career issues
 - Need to be careful not to interfere with government relationships



Summary

- ✓ Audio conferences
- ✓ Video tapes
- ✓ Chapter meetings
- ✓ Conferences
- ✓ Certification

**Low Dues:
\$26/year**

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