

# ChaptersConnect



February 2018



## Executive Director on the Move: Mike Fischetti Visits California

In January, NCMA's Executive Director Mike Fischetti decided to beat the cold for a few days and headed out to California for a visit. We thought you might like to know who he met with during the trip!

On his first day in California, Mike had lunch with the leaders from the Orange County Chapter and learned about their plans for 2018. The following day, he made a special guest presentation at the California State Polytechnic University (Pomona) which was coordinated by the Society of Law, Contracts & Procurement and long-time NCMA member and volunteer, Professor John Wyatt III. Mike, John, and several students who attended are pictured above.

Mike wrapped up his visit with an event hosted jointly by the Los Angeles/South Bay, LA Gateway, Orange County, San Fernando Valley, San Gabriel Valley, and California State Polytechnic University (Pomona) Chapters.

If you would like to discuss scheduling a visit from Mike Fischetti to your chapter in 2018, please email chapter relations at [chapterrelations@ncmahq.org](mailto:chapterrelations@ncmahq.org) and we will help you to coordinate a visit.



## Chapter Leader Webinars

Have you missed our chapter leader webinars? Thank you for your patience over the last few months. NCMA is in the process of selecting a new webinar hosting platform, and the webinars should be back in action this spring.

## NCMA Board Elections February 15–March 1

Is someone from your organization or chapter running for NCMA's Board this year?



NCMA received 32 statements of interest from those interested in becoming NCMA Board members. Our Nominations & Elections Committee is currently hard at work narrowing down the candidates, and selecting those who will be presented on the final ballot. On February 15, all NCMA members as of January 1, 2018 will receive an email with personalized instructions and a link to our voting site.

Please remind all of your chapter members to review the candidates and vote by March 1. Links to the personal statement for each candidate and frequently asked questions (FAQs) will be up on the website at [ncmahq.org/cm/vote2018](http://ncmahq.org/cm/vote2018) when voting opens on February 15.

## Chapter Operations

### Which New Tools Are Other Chapters Using?

Have you heard of Periscope? The Dulles Chapter is using Periscope to broadcast seminars and presentations to members who choose to attend remotely. With 150 online viewers, the Dulles Chapter's recent "CPSR Review" broadcast was a big success! Learn more about Periscope [here](#).

Has your chapter tried any new tools successfully? Please share them in the Chapter Leader community on [Collaborate](#).

### Check Your TIN/EIN with Your Bank

Over the past year, a number of chapters have learned the EIN on file with their bank is different from IRS records. Ask your bank account representative to help you confirm the number your chapter has on file, and compare it to the number you submit with your year-end financial reports. Email [chapterrelations@ncmahq.org](mailto:chapterrelations@ncmahq.org) if you have any questions.

### Wells Fargo Credit Card Processing

NCMA headquarters is now using Wells Fargo for credit card processing. In the past, NCMA headquarters and some chapters kept accounts with WorldPay; however, those accounts have now been closed and WorldPay is no longer available.

Is your chapter happy with the service or bank you use to process credit card payments? If you are considering switching to another payment provider, [contact our Wells Fargo representative](#), Scotty Trogdon.

## Member Involvement

### Take NCMA's 2018 Salary Survey!



How does your compensation compare to others in contract management? NCMA's popular Salary Survey is back this year and is open to both members and nonmembers until February 25. [Share the link to take the survey](#) with friends and colleagues inside and outside of your organization.

NCMA members who take the 2018 Salary Survey will receive a free advance copy of the results in April and all NCMA members will have access to the results this spring (a \$250 value). Nonmembers who take the survey will receive a complimentary executive summary of the results.

## Innovation in Contracting Award

The Innovation in Contracting Award recognizes successful applications of innovative or leading-edge contract management practices. Nominations are due by March 1. Learn how to nominate a team or individual [here](#).

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## Member Services

### Good Ways to Save on Education

If your members are looking for independent ways to earn CPE credits and prepare for certification or recertification, you may want to suggest NCMA's Virtual Education products, ranging from 1–40 CPE credits, as an affordable option. More information on virtual education is available [here](#).

Chapters hosting certification study groups have found placing one order for textbooks enables them to take advantage of bulk order discounts to save members money. You will receive a 10-percent discount for placing one order for 5-9 books with the same title, or a 15-percent discount for more than 10 books of the same title. Place orders for books on the website [here](#).

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## Member Spotlight

### Rachita Varma–Jain Featured in *Contract Management Magazine*



In February, Rachita Varma-Jain, of the Tysons Chapter was featured in *Contract Management Magazine*.

Rachita helped initiate a new speed networking event at the 2017 Government Contract Management Symposium (GCMS) which was very successful. Learn what Rachita thinks those being mentored should consider, and her role with the Tysons Chapter, in the [article](#).

## Reminders

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We want to know what our chapters are doing! Please be sure to include [chapterrelations@ncmahq.org](mailto:chapterrelations@ncmahq.org) in your newsletter mailing lists. Email [chapterrelations@ncmahq.org](mailto:chapterrelations@ncmahq.org) to add your chapter event to the HQ calendar. Be sure to include the date, time, location, title, and registration link.

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