

# ChaptersConnect



September 2017

## MonthlyChapterLeaderWebinar



### C2C: STOP. COLLABORATE AND LISTEN.

DATE WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 | TIME 11:30AM EST

#### C2C: Stop. Collaborate and Listen.

Join us for an overview of how to use NCMA's online community Collaborate on Wednesday, September 27. We'll cover the who, what, why, and how of using this new tool, exclusively for NCMA members. By the end of the webinar, you will have a strategy for sharing Collaborate with your members, and understand how to take the lead so that your members can use Collaborate, and benefit from it.

If you have found Collaborate helpful and would like to explain why, or would like to share how members of your chapter are using it, please email [chapterrelations@ncmahq.org](mailto:chapterrelations@ncmahq.org) by Monday, September 18.

[Register Now for the September C2C Webinar!](#)

#### Chapter Leadership



#### Hurricane Harvey

FEMA Director Brock Long has called Hurricane Harvey the worst disaster in Texas history and expects recovery to take years. Our hearts go out to everyone in the Houston area affected by this extraordinary natural disaster

—but especially to our colleagues, friends, and family in the Space City/Houston Chapter.

We've heard from Chapter President Bradley Niese and several other colleagues in Texas that they are safe. The resounding message is that cleanup and the road to recovery will take an extraordinary amount of resources and time. Visit NCMA's website [here](#) for a list of local charities helping to coordinate the recovery process in Houston.

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### Spotted on Collaborate

Tammy Ollila recently posted a great topic for discussion in the Chapter Leaders community, "Hello. I'm interested in knowing if any Chapters submit a write-up to the local newspaper when members pass their CPCM or CFCM exam? We are drafting a standard press release, which we hope will have multiple benefits..."

Visit [Collaborate](#) to see these and other great discussion topics!

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### Just Two Weeks Left to Win Free Registration for a Leadership Master Class

Visit the Chapter Leaders section of [Collaborate](#) between now and September 30 and create a post to enter our special contest just for chapter officers! Our winner will be selected from the most active posters in the community and receive a free registration for one 2018 Leadership Master Class.

All current officers have access to the private Chapter Leader community on Collaborate, which features discussions and library items related to leadership. If you have questions on using the Chapter Leader community, we're here to help! Email us at [chapterrelations@ncmahq.org](mailto:chapterrelations@ncmahq.org).

## Chapter Operations



### Chapter Excellence Award

Our chapters have been busy developing wonderful programs and NCMA is delighted to have received 25 applications this year. The review team will begin evaluating the submissions soon.

This year's winners will be announced by November 15 and the awards will be presented in December during the Leadership Master Class: Winter Session.

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### Grant Applications Notifications

Thank you to everyone who submitted a grant application. Grant awards will be announced—and chapters will be notified if their application was approved—in early October. The checks will be mailed to chapters in November.

## Member Involvement



### Advancing Professionals Announced

NCMA has released the names of the 10 Advancing Professionals selected for 2017. These influential young people are leaders and innovators in contract management who are making an early mark on the profession. Who made the 2017 list?

[Find the names and organizations of the Advancing Professionals Award recipients here.](#)

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### Upcoming Awards Deadlines

#### Fellow Award: December 1

NCMA's Fellow designation awards those who have made



significant contributions to the field of contract management and NCMA. It is the second highest award given by the association.

#### **Lifetime Achievement Award: December 15**

NCMA's highest award is presented to a nationally renowned and distinguished contracting professional who has made significant contributions to the profession and NCMA.

## Member Services

### Organize Chapter Events with Meetup.com

Several chapters are having success using online tools such as [Meetup.com](#) to help organize their events. For smaller chapters, or large chapters without an existing infrastructure for communicating with members and organizing events, tools like Meetup.com can be a big help. For a reasonable price, you can organize your events online, accept payments, share the event link on other social media sites, and communicate with group members and attendees. See an example of how Meetup.com is being used by the North Texas Chapter [here](#).

### Chapters Can Save by Booking an NES by October 31

Chapters can save money while providing training to their members by hosting a one-day, 7 CPE hour National Education Seminar (NES). If your chapter commits to hosting an NES by October 31, you will save \$10 per attendee. Contact [learningcenter@ncmahq.org](mailto:learningcenter@ncmahq.org) for more information!

### Sign Up Now for Complimentary Webinars

Looking for ways to engage and retain members? Take advantage of your chapter's free live webinar, or schedule two webinars on-demand, free of charge. [Pick your live webinar here](#) or select a [webinar on-demand here](#), then email your request to [chapterrelations@ncmahq.org](mailto:chapterrelations@ncmahq.org). Please include the full title of the webinar along with the product code.

## Chapter Presidents Corner



### Picatinny Chapter Event Featured in *Contract Management Magazine*

In April, the Picatinny Chapter hosted a one-day seminar on "**FAR** Topics of Interest & Current Events in Contracting" in Bridgewater, New Jersey. Michelle Currier facilitated the accelerated discussion and led those who attended in a peer-to-peer exchange of ideas.

Learn more about why Picatinny plans events like this each year, and what makes them successful, in the article [here](#).

## Reminders

### SubCon Training Workshops in Long Beach, CA

SubCon Training Workshops is coming up on October 19! We encourage West Coast chapters to attend this full-day of in-depth subcontracts training for government and industry participants. This event includes breakfast,



lunch, and a reception. Attendees will earn 6.5 CPE/CLP credits.

[Learn more and register here.](#)

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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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