



CINCINNATI CHAPTER NEWS

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CHAPTER WINS GRAALMAN AWARD

Congratulations! We just received word from NCMA headquarters that Cincinnati Chapter has been named a Graalman Award recipient for the 2007-2008 program year! The Graalman Award recognizes chapters that have distinguished themselves with outstanding performance in bringing value to NCMA members. This national award is proof that, despite our small size, we're making a big difference. Thanks to all our members and leadership team for everything you do. Keep up the great work!

NOVEMBER 19th CHAPTER MEETING

Cincinnati Chapter's own **Chris Aluotto** and **Mike Foley** will present training on the Service Contract Act at our chapter meeting on November 19th. Don't miss this great opportunity to get specialized training from SCA experts and authors. This is the same comprehensive training Chris and Mike were asked to present at WC08! More details will be available soon in a separate message and on our website. See you then!

CHAPTER HISTORY PROJECT UNDERWAY

Wow! Next year marks NCMA's 50th anniversary, and the Cincinnati Chapter's own 30th anniversary! As part of the anniversary celebration, we've started a new project to document the contributions and achievements of our many members since our charter in 1979. If you have any letters, pictures, stories, or other information related to the Cincinnati Chapter, please send them to Martin at martin.hamlin@ge.com at your earliest convenience to help build the chapter history project. Thank you!

WORLD CONGRESS 2009 AND 50th ANNIVERSARY

NCMA will celebrate its 50th anniversary at World Congress 2009. This milestone event will be held April 5-8 at the Long Beach Convention Center in Long Beach, California. The 2009 Congress promises to be the biggest and best, and will include a special 50th Anniversary Gala celebration event. Please watch the National HQ website for more information on registration, facilities, speakers and logistics. Watch for more to come!

DID YOU KNOW?

The Small Business Administration no longer verifies the status of companies seeking certification as small disadvantaged businesses. On September 23, 2008, the SBA suspended applications for the SDB Program. Businesses seeking federal prime or subcontracts can now self-certify their status as small disadvantaged businesses. See the SBA's notice published in the Federal Register on 9/23/2008 at 73 FR 54881, and the interim final rule published on 10/3/2008 at 73 FR 57490 for more information.