



# ORACLE



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## Chair Talk

Greetings Fellow GWAC Members and Logisticians! This issue of the GWAC ORACLE Newsletter includes information about upcoming events; Chapter Officer reports; Management Committee meeting minutes; a SOLE 2008 Call for Papers Flyer; Announcement Flyer with abstract, for the 28 May GWAC Luncheon GWAC Election Ballot and Membership Survey, GWAC Membership Social Flyer and more . . .



## 2008-2009 GWAC Elections

Please see the GWAC elections process on page 6, the 2008-2009 GWAC Election Ballot on page 7, the candidate's bios starting on page 8. You will be receiving a hard copy ballot in the mail along with the membership survey form and a stamped return envelope. You are encouraged to nominate/vote for yourself by filling in your name for any position on the GWAC Management Committee ballot. Of biggest interest, we have two unopposed openings in the positions for VC Programs and VC Education where we really need your help! This is an excellent opportunity for you to make a difference by getting more involved with GWAC and SOLE-The International Society of Logistics and to network with other professionals in the logistics community. For questions, including responsibilities of the positions, and/or to submit your self-nomination, send an email with your bio to the Elections Committee Chair, Tom Griffiths, at [tgriffiths@tsc.com](mailto:tgriffiths@tsc.com) or call him at (703) 995-9555. Hurry! Nominations are due by 30 May, 2008.

## April GWAC Luncheon

The 30 April GWAC Luncheon was held at the Booz Allen office in Arlington, VA. The Guest Speaker was Mr. Bill Kobren, CPL,, Director of

the Logistics and Sustainment Group at DAU, who spoke eloquently on the topic: "What DAU Can Do for You!". Go to the GWAC Web Site at [www.gwacsole.org](http://www.gwacsole.org) for a copy of the presentation.

## 28 May GWAC Luncheon

The 28 May GWAC Luncheon will held at the Booz Allen office in Arlington, VA. The Guest Speaker is Mr. Irv Varkoni, President, Supply Chain Operations Preparedness Education (SCOPE), who will be speaking on *The Supply Chain: Globalization, Preparedness, Resilience*. For more information, see the attached Flyer announcement on page 13 and the abstract on page 14.

## GWAC CPL Study Group

With seven interested CPL candidates, the GWAC CPL Study Group is about to get started. If you are on the list you will be hearing from me soon. If you would like to be on the list call me at 703-965-5506. For more info see page 9.

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## Upcoming Events

June 5-6 2008, Space Security and Defense Conference to be held in Washington, D.C.  
For more information contact online [www.technologytraining.com](http://www.technologytraining.com).

June 11-13, RFID—Radio Frequency Identification Systems Conference to be held in Washington, D.C. For more info contact online [www.technologytraining.com](http://www.technologytraining.com).

June 17-18, Joint Warfighting08 to be held at the Virginia Beach Convention Center, Virginia. For more information, contact online [www.jointwarfighting.org](http://www.jointwarfighting.org).

June 23-25, 2008 The Road to CG(X): Future Cruiser & Sea-Based Missile Defense to be held in Arlington, VA. For more information contact ASNE at 703-836-6727 by phone or at [asnehq@navalengineers.org](mailto:asnehq@navalengineers.org), by phone, or online at <http://www.navalengineers.org/Events/AD08/AD08Home.html>

August 19-21, 2008 SOLE—The International Society of Logistics 2008 Symposium to be held at the Caribe Royale Orlando, FL. The Theme is *Logistics Transformation and the Global Economy*. Contact Jay Erb at [john.erb@gdit.com](mailto:john.erb@gdit.com) or at 301-459-8446 for more information. (See the Flyer on page 15)

## VC Finance Report

by Thomas Lorenzo at

[thomas.lorenzo@pentagon.af.mil](mailto:thomas.lorenzo@pentagon.af.mil)

As of 30 March, 2008

Beginning Balance: \$5733.13

Income: Luncheon

Total Income: \$0.00

Expenses: (\$0.00)

Total Expenses: (\$0.00)

Ending Balance: \$5733.13

## VC Prof. Dev. Report

by Ron Hooks, PMP, at

[hooks\\_dennis@bah.com](mailto:hooks_dennis@bah.com)

There was no GWAC luncheon held in March. It was superseded by the 1st Annual Professional Development Forum held in Newport News, VA. The 30 April GWAC luncheon was held at Booz Allen in Rosslyn, VA. See the Article on page 9.

## CPL Chair Report

By Gary Glick, CPL at

[glickg@starpower.net](mailto:glickg@starpower.net)

### CPL Exam Update

The next CPL Exam was held Saturday, 3 May at the Florida Institute of Technology in Alexandria, VA. No one from GWAC took the exam in May. The next CPL exam will be held in August at the SOLE Symposium.

### GWAC 2008 CPL Study Group (...Cont'd)

The CPL Study Group will require participants to hold a telecon weekly at a mutually agreed upon day and time. Chair Dave Floyd, CPL will make arrangements for the telecon. As an example, the telecon might occur at 5:30pm until 7:30pm so participants could avoid the worst of the rush hour going home. To reiterate, it will be up to the participants to decide upon the day and time. The role of GWAC Chair, Dave Floyd, CPL, will be to facilitate the standing up of the CPL Study Group and to monitor attendance and progress. All participants will be required to purchase four or five textbooks, some of them are available from SOLE at discount. Participants will be given reading

assignments for each week and on a rotational basis, one participant will be assigned as the Team Lead for the week. The Team Lead will lead the review of the reading material. The cost to participate in the GWAC CPL Study Group will be a non-refundable \$100, not including the cost of the 4-5 textbooks.

## SOLE Searchers

Check out the updated "Jobs" page hyperlink at the GWAC Web site at [www.gwacsole.org](http://www.gwacsole.org). or contact Thomas Lorenzo at [thomas.lorenzo.ctr@pentagon.af.mil](mailto:thomas.lorenzo.ctr@pentagon.af.mil)

## DCCEAS Chair Report

DCCEAS met on 1 May. Dev Raheja has expressed interest in leading a Fall 2008 GWAC Seminar in "Design to Reduce the Logistics Footprint". More information will follow as GWAC submits and gets approval from SOLE on a Seminar Business Plan.

## Website Chair Report

Contact our new webmaster at [webmaster@gwacsole.org](mailto:webmaster@gwacsole.org) with your comments and/or input. Files added during the last month to the functional areas include the following:

### General.

- March Management Committee Meeting Agenda and Minutes

- Updated Calendar of Events

### Administration.

- Membership Spreadsheet, Password protected ([contact\\_webmaster@gwacsole.com](mailto:contact_webmaster@gwacsole.com))

- March ORACLE Newsletter

### Finance.

- Contact Dave Floyd, CPL for a copy

## Chapter Events List 2007-2008

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
<u>May 14</u>	GWAC Mngt. Com Mtg.
May 21	GWAC Social
May 28	GWAC Luncheon
<u>Jun 14</u>	GWAC Mngt. Com Mtg.
June 25	GWAC Luncheon

## GWAC Management Management Committee Meeting Minutes

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

Chair Dave Floyd, CPL, called the meeting to order at 5:45p.m. on 7 April, 2008 at Hamburger Hamlet Restaurant in Arlington, VA.

### **CHAPTER OFFICERS PRESENT:**

Dave Floyd, CPL	Chapter Chair
Tom Griffiths	VC Membership
Mary Johnston	VC Admin
Lyle Paulson, CPL	Immed. Past Chair
Tom Lorenzo	VC Finance
Dev Raheja	Advisor
Rich Miller, CPL	Advisor

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Past Minutes.** The GWAC Management Committee reviewed and recommended approval of the March 2008 Management Committee Meeting minutes and Financial Report.

### **VC/COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

#### **VC FINANCE:**

The GWAC financial balance was no change from \$5733.13 for the previous month.

### **VC MEMBER SERVICES:**

Mr. Tom Griffiths said he would move his planned seminar to 2009 since Dev Raheja volunteered to hold a seminar this year in the October time frame.

### **VC PROGRAMS:**

**Luncheon Speakers.** We did not hold a luncheon in August. Dr. Lloyd Muller, CPL and President of SOLE spoke at our 26 September Luncheon about *GWAC and SOLE*. The keynote speaker for our 31 October Awards luncheon was Mr. Rick Skinner, Inspector General for the Department of Homeland Security. Our November 14 luncheon speaker was Ms. Joyce McCallister, CPL, PMP. She gave a presentation on the *Planning, Programming, Budgeting and Execution System (PPBES)*. A luncheon was not held in December. Mr. Ted Seymour from Booz Allen was our 30 January, 2008 speaker. He spoke on *PBL Business Case Analysis (BCA)*. Our 20

February luncheon was held in conjunction with DCCEAS at the Pier 7 restaurant in Washington, D.C. There was no GWAC Luncheon held in March. It was superseded by the SOLE District 2 Professional Development Forum held in Newport News from 26-27 March.

### **VC ADMINISTRATION:**

**On a personal note,** Ms. Johnston is planning a wedding to her boyfriend Tim in the same small town she so desperately wanted to get away from so many years ago. Contact her at [bunnystreet@yahoo.com](mailto:bunnystreet@yahoo.com) for input.

### **CPL COMMITTEE CHAIR:**

There was some discussion about CPL recertification that needs to be done every five years. The next CPL Exam will be held in Orlando, FL prior to the SOLE 2008 Symposium. Contact Chair Dave Floyd, CPL at (703) 526-2459 or at [floyd\\_david@bah.com](mailto:floyd_david@bah.com).

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Dev Raheja, the GWAC DCCEAS representative and GWAC Management Committee Advisor, expressed interest in conducting a GWAC Seminar on "*Design to Reduce the Logistics Footprint*" to be held sometime in the Fall contingent on SOLE's approval of the Business Plan. Topics include:

- How Much Logistics Support We Really Need?
- Designing out failure modes
- FMECA for reducing logistics needs
- Designing maintenance-free subsystems
- Techniques of reducing MTTR
- Reliability Centered Maintenance (RCM)
- Techniques of improving Inherent Availability
- Techniques to improve Operational Availability
- Prognostics design to reduce logistics cost.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further discussions, Chair Dave Floyd, CPL, adjourned the meeting at 7:00pm. The next GWAC Management Team meeting will take place at Hamburger Hamlet restaurant in Crystal City on Wednesday, 14 April, 2008 starting at 5:45 pm. GWAC members are most welcome to attend.

## New Member Spotlight

### MICHAEL D. “BO” GOURLEY, DML

Michael Gourley is the Program Director for Logistics Sustainment at the Defense Acquisition University (DAU), Fort Belvoir, Virginia. He is responsible for the development and continual assessment of Sustainment Logistics learning asset materials and products, including curricula, training, guidance, and body of knowledge information compiled in the DoD Logistics Community of Practice website. Additionally, he provides support to the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (AT&L) and the Military Departments in training and guidance related to Sustainment Logistics policy and implementation.

From 2002-2006, Mr. Gourley was a Professor of Logistics at the DAU South Region campus in Huntsville Alabama. He instructed all Logistics courses in the DAU curriculum: Executive Logistics Management, Acquisition Logistics Fundamentals, Intermediate Acquisition Logistics, Systems Sustainment Management Fundamentals, Reliability and Maintainability, Configuration Management, Provisioning, and Performance-Based Logistics. He has also provided consulting and performance support services to multiple Army, Navy, and Joint program offices, and ACTD/JCTD programs.

Prior to reporting to DAU Ft. Belvoir, Mr. Gourley was the Chief Process Engineer at CohesionForce, Inc., a development, consulting, training firm headquartered in Huntsville. He led the company's training division, provided consulting support to DoD prime contractors, and provided software integration test and evaluation support to a major DoD missile defense development program. Mr. Gourley was the Senior Member of the Technical Staff of E-OIR (Electro-Optics/Infra-Red) Technologies, Inc. where he led an Independent Research & Development project overseeing the integration of multiple sensors and

systems and producing a mobile ground truth data acquisition system. He also managed a rapid prototyping manufacturing facility staff that configured combinations of mobile equipment with diverse mechanical, electrical, and electronic systems. Mr. Gourley had also been a Senior Analyst with ManTech, International, providing program support to the Cryptologic Systems Embedded Trainer within the Battle Force Tactical Training system.

In a prior Civil Service role, he served as the Deputy Program Manager for a Tactical Command System and served as Assistant Program Manager for Logistics (APM(L)) for a deployable C<sup>3</sup> system. Mr. Gourley was Acquisition and Operational Logistics Manager to several programs at various stages of the DoD acquisition process, from research and development, through the systems' life-cycles, to disposal. He also served as the Test Director for five of unique systems, being responsible for writing Test Plans that incorporated data collection and reduction needs, allocating resources, overseeing the respective test iterations, and writing the final Test Reports for each test series.

In addition to various personal active duty Navy decorations and awards, he received the Naval Security Group Command's Meritorious Service Award upon completion of 20 years active duty with that organization, and a Special Act award for technical achievement.

Mr. Gourley (MBA, Industrial Management) has received the Demonstrated Master Logistician (DML) designation from the International Society of Logistics (SOLE). He is also DAWIA certified in Lifecycle Logistics and Program Management. He and his wife, Pam, live in Fredericksburg, VA. They have seven children and two grandchildren.

**Please join me and the GWAC Management Committee in welcoming Bo as a new GWAC member!**

# GWAC CHAPTER ELECTIONS PROCESS

That time of the year is approaching soon – nomination of the new GWAC Management Committee for the next operating year. Here’s a timeline for the GWAC Policies and Procedures concerning Elections. Think it over and if you are interested, submit your name and bio to the chapter ASAP. Make a difference and run for the GWAC Management Committee!

## **NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE CHAIR:**

Activate the Nominations Committee. Collect from February Meeting present board members names of recommended replacements.

Develop nomination list.	March
Verify and screen list of candidates.	March
Prepare final list for Management Committee approval.	April Meeting
Convey approved list and biographies to the Elections Committee Chairman.	April

## **ELECTIONS COMMITTEE CHAIR:**

Activate the Elections Committee.	March
Prepare ballots.	April
Receive approved list and biographies from the Nominations Committee Chairman.	April
Submit ballots and biographies for the May ORACLE.	April
Collect executed ballots at luncheons.	May and June
Collect executed mail-in ballots.	June
Assess validity of ballots.	June
Tally ballots and announce successful candidates.	June
Notify SOLE Executive Director and District Director.	NLT 15 days after luncheon
Convey sealed ballots to incumbent Vice Chair- Admin	June Luncheon

## **CHAPTER CHAIR:**

Convene special meeting to break ties.	NLT 1 wk after June Luncheon
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## **VICE CHAIR ADMINISTRATION:**

Prepare notice of election schedule for the April ORACLE.	February
Receive sealed ballots from Elections Committee Chair.	June Luncheon
Destroy sealed ballots	31 days after receipt



**SOLE - The International Society of Logistics  
Greater Washington Area Chapter  
2008-2009 Election Ballot**



**Membership**

**Number:**

**Signature:**

\_\_\_\_\_ (Required for vote to count)

\_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CHAIR**

Vote ('X') for one (1)

**David Floyd, CPL**

\_\_\_\_\_

**VICE CHAIRS**

<p><b><u>ADMINISTRATION</u></b> VOTE ('X') for one (1)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Mary Johnston</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____</p>	<p><b><u>MEMBER SERVICES</u></b> VOTE ('X') for one (1)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Tom Griffiths</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____</p>
<p><b><u>FINANCE</u></b> VOTE ('X') for one (1)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Lorenzo Thomas</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____</p>	<p><b><u>PROGRAMS</u></b> Vote ('X') for one (1)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> _____</p>

**PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL DEVELOPMENT** Vote ('X') for one (1)

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**Management Team Advisors**

Vote ('X') for four (4)  
(circle two for two-year term)

<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Joyce McCallister, CPL</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Richmond Miller, CPL</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Ken Gary</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Dev Raheja</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>John McLaughlin</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> _____

## **Selected BoD Biographies**

**David S. Floyd, CPL**, is in his 6th year as the GWAC Chapter Chair. He is also the Newsletter Editor. Mr. Floyd, CPL, has 25 years combined logistics engineering experience supporting the U.S. Navy. He is a retired Navy Commander / Surface Warfare Officer (USNR). He is employed by Booz Allen Hamilton as an Associate where he provides logistics and configuration management support for USCG Acquisition and Life Cycle Support Programs. He was previously employed by PRC, CRC, EG&G and TMA Corporation where he provided logistics and configuration management support to NAVSEA. Mr. Floyd holds a B.S. Degree in Government and Foreign Affairs from the University of Virginia and an M.S. Degree in Systems Engineering from George Mason University. He has been a member of SOLE-The International Society of Logistics and the American Society of Naval Engineers (ASNE) since 1988. He has served as the Vice Chair Administration for the Ventura County Chapter of SOLE. Mr. Floyd recently served as the General Chair for the 2008 District 2 Professional Development Forum on Configuration Management. Mr. Floyd received the SOLE 2002 Field Award for Configuration Management and the 2007 SOLE Mo Grumbine award for service to SOLE. He lives in Alexandria, VA and has a 23-year old daughter.

**Mary E. Johnston**, Mary Johnston is a career Logistician with over 32 years experience in a variety of Logistics positions. Leaving a small town in California to join the Air Force and cut the apron strings from an over protective mother. Much to the horror of her family Ms Johnston was posted abroad much of her time in the military. Ms. Johnston settled in St. Louis after leaving the Air force and that's where she accomplished her greatest fete, her daughter Jenny. Ms. Johnston came to the DC area in 1991 and finished raising her beautiful daughter. Ms. Johnston currently supports the National Oceanic and

Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) on the National Polar-orbiting Operational Environmental Satellite System (NPOESS) in Silver Spring, MD. In the coming year Ms. Johnston will be planning a wedding to her boyfriend Tim in the same small town she so desperately wanted to get away from so many years ago.

**Richmond Miller, CPL**, joined SOLE in Aug 1982, was Awarded his CPL in Nov 1983 and has been a Life Member since 1987. He holds a BS in Business and Management, University of Maryland. MSBA work accomplished with Boston University. He has Extensive experience in a variety of demanding leadership and project management positions. He has a wide ranging background in electronics and computer maintenance, communications, DoD and FAA logistics. Presently employed with Arthur D. Little, Program Systems Management Company, Arlington, VA as a Logistics Consultant providing R&D support services to the FAA. He Retired from the Navy in 1992 after a successful career serving in many responsible positions; chief among them Communications Division Supervisor, Logistics Manager, and Electronic Material Officer. He was highly decorated due to superior performance in duty while stationed at NSA as an Integrated Logistics Support Manager and Contracting Officer's Technical Representative. He earned the 1000 points necessary to be professionalized in NSA's coveted ILS Manager Program.

**Ms. Joyce McCallister, PMP, CPL**, is a retired Marine Corps Lieutenant Colonel. She is the Meggitt-USA USMC/USN Liaison collaborating on Naval aviation research & development and acquisition projects. Experience and education focus is in program management, integrated logistics, life-cycle estimating, supply chain management, budgeting & programming, technical writing and marketing. She is a 1997 graduate of the Naval Postgraduate School (Monterey, CA) where she earned a Masters

degree in Defense Acquisition. She earned Level III DAWIA certificates in program management and acquisition logistics and Level II in systems engineering and test & evaluation. She co-authored a Naval Aviation Common Support Equipment Program Office study titled: "*Evaluation of the Inventory and Accountability Practices of Common Support Equipment Throughout Pacific and Atlantic Fleets.*" She previously served as GWAC VC for Programs.

**Mr. Dev Raheja**, *If your ROI is not 500, it is not worth doing!* This is the philosophy of DCI founder Mr. Dev Raheja. Dev is an international design assurance consultant to many Fortune 100 companies and founder of mer executive at Booz-Allen & Hamilton, Inc. and General Electric, he is the author of the books: [Assurance Technologies: Principles and Practices \(Wiley 2006\)](#) and [Zen and the Art of Breakthrough Quality Management](#). He served as Associate Professor at University of Maryland for its PhD program in Reliability Engineering from 1995-1999. He teaches [Designing for Safety and Developing Accurate Safety Specifications](#) and [Practical Reliability Engineering, Testing & Growth Management](#) courses for SAE. He is credited with turning unprofitable companies into market leaders. He has received several awards, including the Scientific Achievement Award from the System Safety Society for developing Software FMEA for safety critical applications. He is the Chair-man of the IEEE Design for Reliability Committee. He currently serves as the GWAC DCCEAS Representative.

**Mr. Tom Griffiths**, joined SOLE in June of 1990. He is the Acting GWAC Vice Chair for Member Services. He is also a Senior Logistics Engineer with Technology Service Corporation. He is a retired Navy Chief Electronics Technician. As a civilian he has supported NATO SEASPARROW Training Development, SPAWAR Com-

and Training), Trident Navigation Subsystem logistics (depot maintenance), a Saudi Arabian Manufacturing company (Logistics Program Manager), Defense Message System (DMS implementation, IOT&E, and field support), and Joint Strike Fighter Autonomic Logistics Customer Support (International). He currently supports NAVSEA programs for Technology Service Corporation. He has an MS IS degree and his undergraduate degree is in Business. He recently moved back to Virginia from Texas with his wife, Yuanlin.

## **Feedback Article on the GWAC April Luncheon**

The 30 April GWAC Luncheon was held at the Booz Allen office in Arlington, VA. The Guest Speaker was Mr. Bill Kobren, CPL,, Director of the Logistics and Sustainment Group at DAU, who spoke eloquently on the topic: "What DAU Can Do for You!". Go to the GWAC Web Site at [www.gwacsole.org](http://www.gwacsole.org) for a copy of the presentation. 25 people attended - one of our largest luncheon turn-outs (except for the Awards luncheon).

Mr. Kobren. CPL spoke about the many features of DAU including:

1. AT&L Life Cycle Logistics Workforce
2. DAWIA Certification & Core Plus
3. DAWIA Reference Learning Module (e.g., Training course, Knowledge sharing, Continuous training and Performance support)

He said the goal of DAU is to create a culture that promotes career-long learning.

I am amazed at how much DAU has evolved over the years. It has expanded from a focus on just acquisition logistics to include the full lifecycle of logistics; it has added on-line distance learning courses that are open to industry at no cost; DAU also provides job performance support and knowledge sharing. [Bill Kobren has contributed much to this expansion - I commend him for this!](#)

# The 2008 GWAC Membership Survey

Your GWAC Management Team is taking advantage of the upcoming ballot mailing to ask you a few questions about how the chapter can better serve your needs. Please take a moment to indicate your view on these issues (you may fill in the circle for more than one answer to each question). Please fold this sheet inside and return it with your ballot. All data submitted remains confidential unless you instruct us otherwise. Thank you in advance for your participation - your comments are important to us.

## MEMBER SERVICES

1. **GWAC Membership.** What do you like most about being a GWAC member? What do you like least about being a GWAC member?

a. Most. \_\_\_\_\_

b. Least. \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Chapter Resources.** Area(s) in which you would make use of GWAC's resources include:

- a. Standards, practices and training/education in logistics applications and processes.
- b. Consolidated library services (e.g., richly-linked web site serving many logistics disciplines).
- c. Stronger networking among agencies, businesses, and logistics experts.
- d. Clearinghouse for personnel recruiting, job openings or business development.
- e. \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Membership Participation.** Do you have any recommendations for increasing chapter membership and participation in chapter functions? If yes, please elaborate.

a. Yes. \_\_\_\_\_

b. No.

## ADMINISTRATION

1. **Career Assistance.** Would you like to speak to other GWAC members or submit information to the Newsletter editor about your experiences, organization, job openings, or job-seeking needs? If so, please specify which area(s)?

a. Yes. \_\_\_\_\_

b. No.

Area(s): \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Newsletter.** How often do you download/read the newsletter off the web site?

- a. Every month.
- b. 4-6 times a year.
- c. Less than 4 times a year.
- d. Never.

3. Do you have any recommendations for improving the content, quality or look of the GWAC Newsletter? If yes, what are they?

a. Yes \_\_\_\_\_

b. No

# The 2008 GWAC Membership Survey (Cont'd)

## GWAC WEB SITE

1. **Web Site.** The GWAC Website ([www.gwacsole.org](http://www.gwacsole.org)) had over 3500 hits over the last year. The most visited pages were the start page, newsletter page, programs page, and career assistance page. What changes (design/content) would you like to see made to the GWAC web site to increase overall visits and what other pages/links would you like to see available/have more robust content? \_\_\_\_\_

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## PROGRAMS

1. What would you do differently about current GWAC Chapter functions, processes and procedures?  
a. \_\_\_\_\_

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b. Nothing.

2. **Luncheon Speaker.** Would you be willing to be a speaker at an upcoming monthly luncheon? If so, what would be your topic? (Meal is free along with token(s) of appreciation).

a. Yes

b. No

Name/Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Topic: \_\_\_\_\_

3. What is your feedback so far on rotating GWAC Luncheon locations throughout the greater Washington area? Please elaborate on the luncheon cost, locations, parking, convenience, food, speakers, presentations:

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## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT and EDUCATION

1. **Logistics 101 Training Opportunities.** Would you or your company/activity be interested in receiving a one-day logistics training course, presented by GWAC, for a nominal fee? Can you help publicize and promote attendance at this one-day logistics introduction course within your organization? Would you like to be a presenter, or provide a presenter, at a one-day logistics introduction course, and what would be your topic?

a. Yes

b. No

Topic(s): \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Seminar.** Would you be willing to host or conduct a one-day Seminar on behalf of GWAC SOLE? If yes, please elaborate on the topic, location, timeframe(s) and any anticipated costs. If no, what topics would you be interested in hearing at a one-day GWAC Seminar?

a. Yes \_\_\_\_\_

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b. No \_\_\_\_\_

3. **CPL Study Group.** Would you be interested in participating in a GWAC CPL Exam Study Group that would meet one night a week via telecon from 5:30pm to 7:30 at a location TBD? As a participant? As a facilitator? As a provider of study materials?

a. Yes \_\_\_\_\_

b. No \_\_\_\_\_



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### **Directions to Dave’s house**

**Metro:** Take the Yellow or Blue line to King Street Metro Station. Exit the Metro Station and head west on King Street toward the George Washington Masonic Temple on the hill. Cross the street to the right at the intersection onto Russell Road and walk north three and a half blocks to the white brick house shown on right.

**Driving:** From 395, take the South Glebe Road Exit, veer right at the light and cross four mile run. Go about 3/4 miles until you get to the Russell Road intersection/traffic light and turn right. Dave’s white brick house is about a mile and a half up the road on the left hand side.

From 495, take the North Telegraph Road Exit. Proceed to the top of the hill and exit right onto Duke Street. Get over to the left lane and turn left at the second stop light. Proceed down the hill (Masonic Temple on your left) until you come to the stop light. Go straight across the intersection to 305 Russell Road. Park in front or on the side streets.





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**Mr. Irv Varkoni**

**President, Supply Chain Operations**

**Preparedness Education (SCOPE)**

**Topic: The Supply Chain: Globalization, Preparedness,  
Resilience**

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## **ABSTRACT**

### **The Supply Chain: Globalization, Preparedness, Resilience**

The pace of globalization has accelerated at a dizzying rate. Its meaning is uncertain and its implications unclear but it has popular appeal in the media. How does globalization affect our nation's defense? More importantly, how does globalization impact the relationships and collaboration among the nation's defense stakeholders including the Dept of Defense, its suppliers and its logistics partners? Has the business world adapted processes and planning to maximize its benefit from globalization but at the expense of increasing its vulnerability to disruptions? How would this become apparent to the warfighter and DoD planners?

Consider the impact of events, called "Flatteners," by Tom Friedman in "The World is Flat," which have brought great benefits to industry through outsourcing, information sharing and more. How well do we understand the flip side of these events of the 21st century? Such a perspective challenges traditional processes which are being worked by US TRANSCOM and their logistics partners including the Defense Logistics Agency and the services' material management commands.

This presentation will offer a glimpse into the six V's of Supply Chain Resiliency - Variability, Visibility, Velocity, Value, Vulnerability and Verdancy. Each individual "V" tracks to actions which must be undertaken by operations managers. Preparedness and resilience are more than risk management. Operations managers accept risk all the time. But do we know how to measure risks in our operations and how to mitigate these risks while maintaining our competitiveness?

The presentation will utilize Operations' tools in Lean and Six Sigma, along with:

1. **Flexibility through interchangeability**
2. **Postponement for flexibility**
3. **Flexible supply strategies**
4. **Customer relationship management**
5. **Building a culture of flexibility**

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