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A WORD FROM OUR CEO

Hello AMSGazette Readers!

Welcome to Autumn and Fiscal Year 2023. We hope your season and fiscal New Year are off to a great start. As for AMSG, we're happy to announce the award of our Federal Trade Commission (FTC) contract continuing and expanding our current work. Additionally, some of our task orders with the U.S. Marine Corps have been awarded additional option years. We continue to support several critical divisions within the agency, including an additional division for a newly identified effort. Congratulations to our team - we're honored to continue efforts that directly support and protect our Marines!

In this issue we also have a few tips to share. Excel power user Megan Seal shares her top ten tips (instructions included) on augmenting data for any report. With nearly a decade of Excel experience, she's the go-to expert for generating reports that capture large amounts of data on our Department of Veterans Affairs' Office of Information Technology's (OIT) Program Planning and Oversight (PPO) contract.

As AMSG's Quality Manager, Sandra Magura (the next Marie Kondo might I add) has helped keep us straight over the last four years, so it's no wonder she's also a professional organizer. In a one-on-one interview, she shares her story of how she started her organizing business, but more importantly, she shares useful tips on organizing (and keeping) your home, office spaces, and fireworks storage (!) tidy.

Finally, we're sharing news of our involvement in a few non-profit organizations and we're giving you a sneak peek of what's to come in next month's issue... We're celebrating our Veterans, of course, and we're also highlighting our first ever AMSG Leadership Retreat. Stay tuned for more in November!

That's all for now, but we hope you enjoy this month's issue. We thank you for taking the time to read up on AMSG, and as always, we welcome your input. Feel free to email us at amsgmarketing@amsgcorp.net with ideas, news, or even just to say hello; and share our newsletter with colleagues you think might want to learn about what is happening at AMSG and in the government contracting industry right now.

Have a wonderful month!

Warm Regards,
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NEWS

Top 10 Excel Tips *(with Instructions on How to Implement Them)*



Written by: Megan Seal and Juania Owens



With over seven years of Excel experience, it's no wonder Megan Seal is *the* resident Excel expert and guru on the AMMSG Department of Veterans Affairs' (VA) Office of Information Technology's (OIT) Program Planning and Oversight Support (PPO) Contract.

Click below for Seal's top 10 Excel tips (with instructions on how to apply them) to help create and improve your Excel reports.

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AMMSG Continues Marine Corps Support

Written by: Brian Christmas (pictured R), John Hinson (pictured L) and Bob Massie



AMMSG is privileged to continue to support to the Marine Corps team with over a decade of experience providing



Joint Capabilities Integration and Development System (JCIDS) support, Doctrine, Organization, Training, Materiel, Leadership, Personnel, and Facilities (DOTMLPF) analysis, materiel capability solutions and analysis, and Program Objective Memorandum (POM) support. Our recent efforts have principally been executed through the Capability Development Directorate (CDD) Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) contract, a 5-year contract through which we provide support to the Ground

Combat Element Division – Force Protection and the Aviation Combat Element Division. This support is the Marine Corps Marine Air Command and Control Systems (MACCS) Integration Branch (MIB); the Aviation Vehicle Integration Branch (AVIB); the Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear Defense Branch; the Active Security Branch (CBRN); and the Engineer and Explosive Ordnance Disposal Branch. Within each Division, AMMSG was awarded additional option years to continue its support of new capabilities and next generation solutions to our forward deployed Marines.

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EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Employee Corner with Sandra Magura, The Home, Business & Money Organizing Professional

Written by: Sandra Magura (pictured) with Introduction by Juania Owens



Sandra Magura may very well be the next Marie Kondo and trademark her own organizing method: The Magura Method. Although she has been with AMMSG for almost four years supporting corporate as the Quality Manager and Marketing/Business Development Assistant, her passion outside of work lies in organizing spaces, particularly homes and businesses.

Read on to discover how she got her start as an organizer and *budget'or*, how she tackles decluttering and organizing spaces, and her tips for organizing and keeping your spaces tidy. Her story and her motivation for why she does what she does is truly quite fascinating and inspiring.

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AMMSG NEWS

Federal Trade Commission (FTC) Contract Awarded to AMMSG

On September 29, 2022, AMMSG announced our Federal Trade Commission (FTC) contract award to provide program and project management support services to the FTC's Office of Chief Administrative Services Officer (OCASO).

AMMSG fills a critical role providing program management and assessment of impacts across the FTC's programs, systems, and business processes for Logistics, Space and Facilities, Resource and Project Management, Communications and Information, Security and Safety, and other key program areas. We take pride in maintaining our reputation for quality assurance, expanding technological capabilities, and providing full-scope portfolio

and project management, consultation, risk management, road mapping, and senior-level reporting to the FTC in this continued effort.



AMSG NYC Retreat

In mid-September, some of AMSG's leadership team traveled to New York City. During this time, we laughed, we ate, we honored our 9/11 victims and heroes, we received training from JPMorgan Chase's leaders, we brainstormed AMSG's future, and we helped raise funds for the Armed Services Arts Partnership (ASAP) non-profit organization.

Stay tuned! November's AMSGazette will feature more on our time together. In the meantime, here's a photo of our team at JPMorgan Chase's NYC Midtown office. Also, be sure to check out other sneak peeks on our [LinkedIn page!](#)

[View our Video Montage](#)

Students Helping Honduras (SHH)

On September 10, 2022, AMSG participated in Students Helping Honduras' (SHH) 2nd Annual Brick by Brick fundraising event. AMSG has been involved with SHH for several years now, and we're honored to be able to continue supporting this amazing organization - especially with the return of an in-person event.



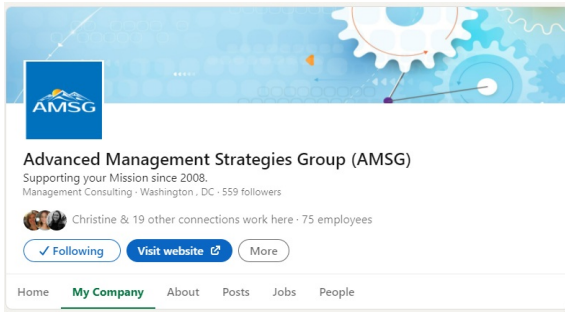
AMSG's Department of Energy (DOE) Team Get-Together

In an effort to build rapport and bring teams together as we emerge from pandemic life, our CEO Jim decided to fund team outings across the company. AMSG's New Mexico team enjoyed a luncheon. During the luncheon, Account Manager Ashley Walker presented AMSG challenge coins to Jennifer Roenfranz, Michael Miller, and Christa Barbari to recognize their efforts in support of the U.S. Department of Energy. If you're unfamiliar with the challenge coin tradition, read [here](#) to learn how it got started.

Fort Hunt Youth Athletic Association

Our CEO, Jim O'Farrell was proud to represent AMSG and the [Travis Manion Foundation](#) at a recent event. AMSG contributed three plaques (one for a fireman, one for a police officer, and one for the head of youth sports at Fort Belvoir.)

"Thank you Ricky Hairston for allowing AMSG and Travis Manion Foundation to be a part of your Fort Hunt Youth Athletic Association first responders and veterans Jamboree to honor and #neverforget but also to allow youth football teams from across Fairfax County to compete, build Character, and have fun!" – AMSG CEO Jim O'Farrell



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