

Survey Comments for 'Membership Survey - Chesapeake Bay Chapter'

1. Please rate your satisfaction with the Chapter in general in 2008?

- This group is awesome especially Leonard - lol.
- There was much less activity than I had anticipated.
- I appreciate being a part of the chapter. I think we do a better than average job in providing security education, and updates. I think we far exceed in communicating with our chapter members in general.
- Was not a member in 2008, just joined organization March 2009.
- E-News information is very useful as well as the variety of security information on the Members Only link.
- I only joined the group in late September.
- I just got involved so I don't feel qualified to answer.
- The quarterly meetings are spaced appropriately, they offer good topics, and I enjoy meeting new people.
- I REALLY like your website. It is very well laid out with a lot of great information and links right there.
- Became a member in 2009.
- I consider my dues in NCMS as money well spent. This is an excellent chapter.
- I don't get to attend meetings. I maintain my membership to get emails and mailings. I really can't give a rating on the Chapter as I don't really know the Chapter.
- I began membership in December 08/January 09, however, I work with individuals who shared information with me.
- I so value the networking and various trainings and seminars. They have been very helpful over the years.
- Did not join until Jan 09'.
- I just joined in 2009.
- I have been a member of Chapter 26 since I began my career in Security and this has been the best year so far.

2. Please rate your satisfaction with the Chapter Officers in general in 2008.

- I just joined in 2009.
- They rock.
- Became a member in 2009.
- I only joined the group in late September.
- I began membership in December 08/January 09, however, I work with individuals who shared information with me. Very informative group of professionals.
- Was not a member in 2008, just joined organization March 2009.
- Did not join until Jan 09'.
- All of the Chapter Officers are eager to assist where they can. You only need to reach out.
- Good efforts to get information out to the Chapter.
- Doing a great job!

3. Please rate your satisfaction with the Chapter training topics for 2008.

- Was not a member in 2008, just joined organization March 2009.
- I look forward to the quarterly meetings and training topics. Try to attend as many as I can.
- Did not join until Jan 09'.

NCMS Chapter 26 Survey

- Became a member in 2009.
- While we all need JPAS training and agree Tanya Elliott is a SME, I would like to see other presenters to get a fresh perspective.
- I'd like to see more on DD254's and how the government utilizes them or their equivalent.
- Would love to have DISCO, DOHA or OPM present and then be able to answer questions that currently have no avenue for answers. These would need to be loooong sessions.
- I began membership in December 08/January 09, however, I work with individuals who shared information with me.
- TCP Plans; OPSEC plans.
- Information pertaining to ICD 705.
- I just joined in 2009.

4. Please rate your satisfaction with the Chapter web site.

- Was not a member in 2008, just joined organization March 2009.
- Great resource of information.
- It has been awhile since I have seen it but I last visited in mid-August 2008, it look like it had not been updated since Jan 08.
- Great job.
- It has so much helpful and useful information.
- Pretty well covered. I feel that if you receive valuable information, you post it on the site.
- I never visit the website.

5. Please rate your satisfaction with the weekly newsletter.

- Appreciate the crime stats but they tend to stay in the downtown Baltimore Area. I feel a lot of the security community resides outside this one area. Suggest Anne Arundel, Howard Co's. etc., that do have websites that publish their stats.
- I began membership in December 08/January 09, however, I work with individuals who shared information with me. I like reading the weekly newsletter.
- Plus.
- Weekly emails seems to take away the effect on inspiring interest. I suggest a bi-weekly schedule.
- It can be too lengthy at times and comes too frequently. I get the same data from many sources.
- Have not seen yet.
- The newsletter has a lot of information. Many of the training courses are for companies that are selling their training product. Are we giving them free advertising?
- Became a member in 3/9/2009 - haven't received any.
- Again, a great resource of information.
- Love the new format.
- It's too much. Overdone.
- Take off Leonard's picture, we all know what he looks like by now.

6. How frequently do you wish to receive the newsletter?

- Have not received yet.
- Ensure data is fresh and not re-hashed from other publications.
- Quarterly or Monthly.

- Weekly is great. I know it is a lot of work and could deal with biweekly.

7. How long would you like to see chapter meetings last?

- Other, depends on the agenda.
- 2-3 hours is fine as long as the information is valuable.
- I live an hour away so if the meetings could start at 9 am or 9:30 am, it would give me time to get to the meetings as well as get through traffic, etc.
- The length of the meeting should be determined by the topic. There are several areas that naturally take longer because of the detail required to have a complete understanding, and if you limit the time of the meeting this could limit the valuable information coming across.
- Two hours is good. Longer if needed to accommodate specific training.
- It's more important to me that topics are covered to the extent that the information can be absorbed.
- 1.5 hours is optimal, but a little longer is okay. Exceptions made for special sessions such as security awareness training at DSSA.
- At least 2 hours. Some people make a hefty drive and to make it worth their while, they need to be 2-4 hours at least.
- If we can accomplish the chapter goals in 2 hrs fine, but from past performance, 3 hrs should be sufficient.

8. Are the meeting locations convenient to the membership?

- The locations are good, however, the starting time is difficult to make. Starting at 9 a.m. or 9:30 a.m. would be great.
- I prefer the Johns Hopkins and DSS locations.
- I am located in the Southern MD area, and work at PAX NAS. I would like to participate and attend meetings, but it is impossible.
- I work in DC - but I understand that not everyone can be accommodated.
- Have not attended a meeting yet.

11. What specifically would you like to see the NCMS National Office do for our local chapter?

- I don't know what the National Office does for this chapter.
- I'm not sure.
- Nothing. Everything is okay.
- I think they do a good job now. I would however like to be asked why topics/speakers I would like to have for the National level seminar. Seems to be too many repeat topics year-to-year with no breaks.
- Doing a great job!
- Reciprocity of Position of Trust – DHS.
- ISP test prep course, in person.
- Support us when they can, keep us informed; acknowledge our contributions.
- Became a member in 2009.
- Risk Management or Business Continuity Planning/Lessons Learned.
- Supply support for the meetings in as much as possible funds for give-a-ways, or supply the give-a-ways for the meetings.
- I like the newly revised web page. There is a lot of reference material that I use from the national page. Please continue this important valued tool.
- n/a

- Not sure yet. I'm too new to organization to have an opinion.
- Award us the Chapter of the Year. The National Office needs to advertise about the Society. I grew up in the Intelligence Community and never heard of NCMS until I retired and joined private industry.
- Not sure.

12. Do you have any suggestions to share that may help us further increase our membership?

- Have a contest to see who can bring in the most members with some award going to the winner(s).
- Not sure. With the economy the way it is, some companies are cutting back on training, memberships, etc. I do like that the meetings and conferences are very reasonably priced.
- None.
- I recommend membership to all new FSOs I encounter. Hopefully all members are doing this.
- I think the group is doing great.
- None yet.
- I think you are doing a good job with this. DSS should do more on recommending NCMS to all new FSOs since you do such an excellent job with providing training material on the website.
- No.
- Not at this time.
- Reduce membership cost.
- Became a member in 2009.
- More activity, i.e., impromptu training sessions scattered through the area between quarterly meetings. Topics to be provided by and presented by members.
- I "talk you up" whenever I'm with peers. Other members should always spread the word.
- If there are funds available, giveaways (COOL FREE STUFF) are always good to get the name out.
- No.
- Might be helpful to sponsor a few new members (lottery).

13. Are there any other ideas you would like the chapter officers to consider that might benefit our chapter?

- No.
- Not at this time.
- I think the Chapter Officers are very dynamic and have done more to boost this Chapter than others in previous years.
- I would like to see our chapter help...or promote the fact that they help members get their ISP certificates. I know there is help out there with teleconferences, guides, and study groups, but it seems like I too often find things out haphazardly.
- No.
- Not yet.
- I'll have to think on this one.
- None.
- In the past, our local chapter sponsored joint seminars with the local ISACs. I would like to see our chapter involved with them. There are several ISACs in our chapter area.