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Strategic Realignment

The Society of American Military Engineers (SAME) Washington DC Post is strategically realigning its operations and mission initiatives to align with the:

- SAME Constitution
- SAME Bylaws
- SAME Strategic Plan
- SAME Streamers

The new Washington DC Post Bylaws will provide a framework for operations and missions that will be incorporated into the new Website Redesign and will drive the Washington DC Post's programs and initiatives.

In addition, the Washington DC Post is getting ready to launch its Website Redesign. The Website Redesign is a professional product that we hope our members, and our community, will be proud of. It offers a plethora of information that we hope will drive our communication initiative.

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This bold initiative entails the planning and coordination of the DC Post leadership team and a task force of dedicated individuals.

There are a number of initiatives underway that are being worked on and developed for:

- Operations & Missions
- Washington DC Post Bylaws
- Website Redesign

The DC Post leadership team is presently looking at how best to align its operations and mission initiatives with the goals and objectives of SAME. Once the initial review is complete, the leadership team will forward its recommendations to the Washington DC Post Bylaws Task Force for additional review.

The DC Post Bylaws Task Force, led by Col Anthony Maida, III, 1st Vice President of the Washington DC Post, will review the new SAME Post Bylaws template and will produce the 2004 SAME DC Post Bylaws within the next few months. The new Bylaws will be posted to our website and shared with our membership at large. Final review and approval of the new Bylaws are scheduled to take place in October.



This is a one-stop-shop, where the user will have the opportunity to quickly and efficiently navigate for optimum results. The Washington DC Post Website Redesign incorporates SAME recommended guidelines for Post websites, and uses the Post template as a launch pad for the design.

The Washington DC Post represents Our Nation's Capital! That's a tall order, but one we have always embraced and continue to support. We are steadfast, membership driven, and committed to making a difference. We are fulfilling the SAME vision, upholding the SAME values, delivering on the SAME goals and objectives - all in support of the SAME mission Support to National Defense. The Washington DC Post is **Forward Thinking**

**Membership Driven and
Strategically Responsive!**

Anna Ross, Washington DC Post
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Post President's Message Making A Difference



SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM EXPANSION

In July 2004, your Board of Directors approved a strategic plan to grow the Washington DC Post Scholarship Program to award \$12,000 in Scholarship awards in 2005, with an incremental growth in Scholarships each year thereafter to reach \$30,000 in Scholarships to be awarded in 2009. This is an ambitious yet very achievable plan, that will make a significant difference in the lives of many engineering and architecture students studying at local area universities. It is also a fantastic commitment to our industry and profession - one that is essential to ensure that there will be appropriate capability to provide the necessary engineering support for national security in the future. These students are the next generation of professionals. By awarding these deserving students with scholarships, we remind them that their hard work does make a difference. The growth in our Scholarship Program is part of the Washington DC Post's Education Outreach Initiative this year. Kudos to Al O'Konski, Julian Sabbatini, and Mike McDonald - the architects of our new Scholarship Strategic Plan!

YM PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

The Washington DC Post Young Members are busy planning programs for the rest of the year. Young Member programs at the Washington DC Post provide networking opportunities, venues for professional development, and a chance to contribute to the vitality of our community. The August program is no exception to this outstanding commitment! This program features an outing to the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. The evening will include a networking session, a construction tour, and "The Producers" musical! Please contact Tracy Allen for additional information and tickets to the show.

JOINT PROGRAMS INITIATIVE

We had a tremendous turnout for our Commissioning Seminar and Construction Management program and panel! These two outstanding programs were jointly held by the SAME Washington DC Post, the Construction Management Association of America (CMAA), and the National Capital Healthcare Engineering Society (NCHES).

MEMBERSHIP OUTREACH INITIATIVE

The Washington DC Post is growing! That's a familiar phrase that we've mentioned before. Now, we are in an exponential growth mode! This is a remarkable achievement!

Our success is due in no small measure to our Membership Outreach Initiative! This initiative aims to introduce those in our community to SAME, and showcase the many professional development, networking, and educational opportunities available to all at the Washington DC Post. Furthermore, our Membership Outreach Initiative further extends the SAME network into new organizations and supports the SAME mission to build relationships in the engineering community. Just recently, over 40 nonmembers attended our July program! Please encourage any nonmembers you met last month to come again. We welcome everyone in our community!

In addition, the Washington DC Post Membership Committee keeps in touch with our current members and has aligned an excellent Membership Drive - with a number of incentives, discount rates, and fabulous prizes!

Contact Theresa Pohlman or Dan Aide to find out more!

NATIONAL SECURITY INITIATIVE

As the nation continues to defend and fight in the war on terror, the Washington DC Post continues to support the SAME mission - Support To National Defense. The Post's National Security and Readiness Initiative is well underway! This month's program provides an update on the readiness and emergency management preparations in the Washington DC metropolitan area. The program features a distinguished member of our community - Calvin Smith. Calvin is the Director of Human Services, Planning, and Public Safety for the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG).

James Peck, PE, CCM
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Commissioning Seminar & Construction Management Program

On July 15, 2004, the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME) Washington DC Post, the Construction Management Association of America (CMAA), and the National Capital Healthcare Engineering Society (NCHES) jointly co-hosted an exceptional professional development Commissioning Seminar and an excellent Construction Management Program - brining together community leaders, top caliber speakers, Society members and many guests.

COMMISSIONING SEMINAR

Over 100 SAME members and participants from our community attended the Commissioning Seminar! Jim Coleman, Engineering Economics, Inc. (EEI), and Doug Wrenn, McDonough Bolyard Peck (MBP) presented this excellent Commissioning Seminar. These outstanding speakers provided an overview of the Commissioning process, gave examples of some effective project controls for

This professional Seminar gave attendees the opportunity to earn one Professional Development Hour (1.0 PDH). The Washington DC Post is committed to providing quality programs for our members with the opportunity to earn professional development hours.

PRESENTERS

Jim Coleman, Engineering Economics, Inc. (EEI): Headquartered in Denver, Colorado, with branch offices across the Unites States, EEI has commissioned in excess of 20 million square feet of space and the construction value on these projects is well above the \$4 billion mark.

Doug Wrenn, McDonough Bolyard Peck (MBP): Headquartered in Fairfax, Virginia, with branch offices throughout the South and Mid-Atlantic United States, MBP is an ENR Top 100 Construction Manager providing Program Management services (including Commissioning) to a wide variety of clients and project types. Doug's experience includes Commissioning projects for federal, healthcare, and higher education clients.

SEMINAR CO-HOSTS

Construction Management Association of America (CMAA) National Capital Area Chapter "To promote professionalism and excellence in the management of the construction process." "CMAA is North America's only organization dedicated exclusively to the interests of professional program and construction management."

National Capital Healthcare Engineering Society (NCHES) "NCHES is the area leader among professional associations for health care facilities management. Health care facilities management is defined as the diverse practice of managing the physical, technological, and support services of health care facilities."



*Commissioning Seminar Presenters
Doug Wrenn,
McDonough Bolyard Peck (MBP) and Jim
Coleman (EEI) with
James Peck (MBP),
Washington DC Post
President.*

completing Commissioning on time, and shared lessons learned from Commissioning efforts.

Owners seeking to ensure building systems are designed, installed, and perform as intended are embracing Commissioning throughout the construction industry. Implementation of this innovative approach, however, remains uncertain. Lack of understanding by owners, designers, construction managers, contractors and suppliers are some of the challenges facing Commissioning today.

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CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT (CM) PROGRAM

Over 140 community leaders, SAME members and participants from our community attended the Innovative Construction Management (CM) program! The panel of four (4) speakers focused on Construction Management in the Federal, Higher Education, and Healthcare markets.

The Construction Management presenters discussed both the opportunities available to and the challenges facing those in the construction management industry. Efficiency and cost are at the high end of an owner's continued challenges when designing and constructing quality facilities. Not far behind are the challenges of labor fluctuations due to reductions or turnover in staff, budget constraints, changing technology, inadequate training and lack of support from team members. It's not all downhill however, and there are plenty of opportunities for construction managers to innovate, reduce costs, and provide an excellent service to their clients.

The panel of speakers, who provided insight on the challenges, innovative approaches, and opportunities in construction management included:

Greg Stein: Construction Manager, Hospital Corporation of America (HCA). Mr. Stein is responsible for numerous projects in the Mid-Atlantic region for HCA's \$750 million annual construction program.

George Lea: Chief of Construction, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Baltimore District, with a construction program approaching \$1 billion under contract.

Carlo Colella: Director of Capital and Construction, University of Maryland-College Park. Mr. Colella has cradle to grave responsibility for the University's \$150 million annual capital program.

Lean Weiser: Project Executive, GSA National Capital Region. Mr. Weiser has been responsible for numerous large construction projects for the GSA National Capital Region's \$450 million annual construction program.

CONCLUSION

The Commissioning Seminar and the Construction Management program garnered tremendous turnouts and provided excellent networking and professional development opportunities. Representatives from the A/E industry, the construction industry, the military services, and from numerous federal agencies attended both programs.

These are the types of programs that bring together our community leaders and participants and expand our Outreach Initiative to introduce our fellow colleagues to the Society and the Washington DC Post, and give SAME members the opportunity to learn about other local organizations and build relationships. It's a win-win for everyone!

The Washington DC Post is committed to excellent Seminars, Programs, and Workshops that bring to the table professional development and networking opportunities to our SAME members and our community partners. Partnerships and building relationships are key areas of concentration for us this year. If you have a recommendation for an upcoming program or speaker, please contact our Post President, James Peck at jtpeck@mbpce.com or our Programs Committee Chair, Dennis Biddick at dennis.biddick@navy.mil.

We look forward to seeing you at future programs and hearing your ideas.

PROGRAM PRESENTATIONS

The Commissioning Seminar and Construction Management Program presentations are available by visiting our Washington DC Post Web Site:

www.sameDCpost.org



George Lea, Chief of Construction, USACE Baltimore District.



Christine Keville, President, Keville Enterprises, and National Capital Area CMAA President.



"The Producers", a new Mel Brooks musical, is Winner of 12 Tony Awards.



The Kennedy Center Welcomes the Washington DC Post

The SAME Washington DC Post Young Members Committee organized a phenomenal outing to The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.



"The Kennedy Center, located on the banks of the Potomac River near the Lincoln Memorial, opened to the public in September 1971. But its roots date back to 1958, when President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed bipartisan legislation creating a National Cultural Center. In honor of Eisenhower's vision for such a facility, one of the Kennedy Center's theaters was named for him."

Date: Thursday, 19 August 2004

Location: The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts

Parking: Visit the Kennedy Center Web Site for Directions, Maps, and Parking www.kennedy-center.org

Time: 4 - 5 PM **Kennedy Center Building Group Tour**
(Tour Desk, Level A) (Tour Attendees will receive 10% off on merchandise \$10 or more at the Kennedy Center Gift Shops.)

5 - 6 PM **Networking / Social Hour** (Roof Top Terrace Lounge)

6 - 7 PM **Millennium Stage Performance**, (Grand Foyer)
(Free - No Tickets Required) Bertell Knox Group, a jazz combo of piano, string bass, and saxophone, led by seasoned drummer Bertell Knox, performs a Tribute to the 100th Birthday of Count Basie.

7:30 - **Curtain "The Producers"**

Group tickets for this performance are sold out. If you would like to inquire about additional group or individual tickets, or have purchased a ticket but your are not able to attend, please contact Tracy Allen.



All Young Members, and our Young-At-Heart members and guests are welcome to attend this informative and entertaining evening. Don't Miss It! For additional information, please contact Tracy Allen, Young Members Committee Director (tallen@eclslimited.com).

READINESS AND COORDINATION IN THE WASHINGTON DC METROPOLITAN AREA

Calvin Smith, Director of Human Services, Planning and Public Safety for the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) will give a presentation on Readiness and explain how Coordination is playing a significant role in making the region better prepared.

Calvin's responsibilities include the management oversight for over fifty public safety committees including police, fire and correctional chiefs and their various subcommittees such as planning, technology, communication, Chaplin's, Urban Search and Rescue. He also provides management for COG's Regional Emergency Coordination Plan (RECP) and the Regional Incident Communications and Coordination System.

The Council of Governments (COG) is an association of 19 local governments in the Washington area, and provides a focus for action and develops sound regional response to such issues as the environment, affordable housing, economic development, health and family concerns, population growth, public safety, and transportation. Founded in 1957, COG is supported by financial contributions from its participating local governments, federal and state grants, and private sector funding.

We look forward to seeing all of you at this program.

REGISTRATION FORM

Please make your reservations for this event by Monday, 16 August
Cancel your reservation 48 hrs prior to the event without charge.

Date: Thursday, 19 August 2004

Location: Conference Center, Washington Navy Yard, Washington DC
(Please visit our Web Site for directions to the Navy Yard.
www.sameDCpost.org)

Cost: (Please circle one)
\$15 Young Member / Military / Gov't
\$35 Member
\$45 Non-Member

Time: 1130 - 1200 Registration
1200 - 1330 Luncheon and Program

TO REGISTER: Phone: 703-317-6275 or FAX: 703-960-9125

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Symposium On Building Security in an Age of Terrorism

Terrorist acts around the world have caused a heightened concern over building security. An integrated building design approach often involves testing and simulating the performance of components and systems. Test laboratories and government agencies, as well as individual manufacturers, have tested a variety of products and systems to ascertain forced entry, bomb blast, and ballistics performance. There are a plethora of security standards that are available to the design team. The objective of this symposium is to bring together researchers, designers, and specifiers in order to foster a dialogue among these groups, thereby providing each with an understanding of the current state of knowledge concerning building security. In addition, the symposium will focus attention on new security standards, testing, and software that can be utilized in the design process. Topics will include:

- Current research and testing related to building performance
- Issues pertaining to building security
- Testing programs
- New products designed to protect building occupants from injury
- Integrated building designs

The Symposium will be held in conjunction with standards development meetings of the ASTM Committee F 12 (the Symposium sponsor). The Symposium will be held on Sunday, 3 October 2004 at the Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington DC. For additional information, please visit the ASTM Web Site: www.astm.org - Symposia & Workshops

Washington DC Post Readiness Preparation and Coordination Program

Date: Thursday, August 19, 2004
Program: Readiness Preparation and Coordination in the Washington DC Area
Speaker: Calvin Smith, Director of Human Services, Planning and Public Safety
Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG)
Location: Conference Center, Washington Navy Yard
Time: Registration 11:30 AM - 12 Noon
Program and Lunch 12 Noon - 1:30 PM
DC Post POC: Eileen D'Andrea, eileen.dandrea@navy.mil

SAME Conferences

Ohio Valley/Great Lakes Region Conference
22-24 September
Pittsburgh Hilton, Pittsburgh PA
Host: Pittsburgh Post (<http://Posts.same.org/pittsburgh>)



North Atlantic Region Conference
11-13 October
Wyndham Baltimore Inner Harbor Hotel, Baltimore MD
Host: Baltimore Post (<http://www.same-balt.org>)



Missouri River / TEXOMA Region Conference & ISBE / TISP
(Fall Board Meeting, Fellows Investiture and SEG)
7-10 November
St. Louis, MO
Host: St. Louis Post (<http://www.meetmeinstlouis.org>)





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