



SOCIETY OF AMERICAN MILITARY ENGINEERS



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President's Corner

To The Portland SAME Post Team -

Welcome to the start of our 2011-2012 term! I hope you are enjoying this great Pacific Northwest summer. Your Board of Directors and Post leadership team are planning another informative and exciting year for the Post.

Before going any further, I would like to thank COL (Ret.) Steve Miles for his tremendous accomplishments as our Post President over the last two years. Under his leadership, the Post: increased the individual and sustaining membership; re-established the student chapter at Oregon State University; held the first "Meet the Chiefs" session in quite some time; sponsored several well attended Continuing Education seminars; and set a great foundation for the Post as it moves into a new term. Thank you COL Miles on your many years of service to our Nation and for your dedication and service to the Portland Post.



Brian S. Kamisato, P.E., PMP
President / Portland Post of SAME
Portland District
US Army Corps of Engineers

As your new Post President, I pledge my untiring efforts to continue to offer opportunities that support the SAME mission & vision: to unite architecture, engineering, construction (A/E/C), facility management and environmental entities and individuals in the public and private sectors to prepare for—and overcome—natural and manmade disasters, and to improve security at home and abroad. I have had the privilege of serving with a talented and dedicated leadership team and want to thank our Board of Directors and Post Leadership team for their commitment and leadership. You'll find a roster of our leadership team later this newsletter.

My personal focus area for the coming year will be to offer interesting and relevant speakers at our monthly luncheons; to continue to emphasize our support to scholarships and programs that encourage our youth to seek a career in engineering; and to continue to provide opportunities to build solid relationships between the public and private sector members.

I am excited to announce our September luncheon speaker, Mr. Mark Lasswell, President & General Manager of CH2MHill, Alaska Region. Mr. Lasswell will be presenting on the Panama Canal Expansion Program. This presentation will discuss the overall program, a 7-year, \$5.25 billion program that adds a third set of locks to the historic waterway. Please mark your calendars; this is going to be a great meeting.

Finally, I want to thank you – our members – for your continued support. Your participation and support is what makes this all possible. I am honored to serve you and hope to see you at our August 29th Golf Tournament at Tualatin Country Club and also at our September 7th luncheon.

Brian S. Kamisato, P.E., PMP
President, Portland Post
SAME

Next Post Meeting

Date: Wednesday, 7 September 2011
Time: 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM
Location: Governor Hotel/Jake's Catering, 614 S.W. 11th Street, 2nd floor
Cost: \$10 for students or young members (under 35) w/ reservation
\$20 for members w/ reservation
\$30 for non-members or members w/o reservation

RSVP: Please RSVP by the Wednesday before the meeting. **31 August 2011**
Katherine Robinette – SAME.PDX.RSVP@gmail.com
(503) 499-0393

Payment: Cash or check accepted only. Please make checks out to *SAME Portland Post*.

Cancellations: The Post is obligated to pay the restaurant for the number of people on the attendee list that is submitted. If you reserve a seat at the meeting and determine that you are unable to attend, please contact Katherine Robinette by the end of the day on Tuesday before the meeting date to cancel your reservation. Anyone that does not cancel their reservation or cancels their reservation after that time will be billed.

Vegetarian: If you would prefer a vegetarian meal, please indicate so when you sign in at the door.

Upcoming Post Events

August 2011: Golf Tournament
Date: Monday, 29 Aug 2011
Location: Tualatin Country Club

Wednesday, 7 Sept 2011: Post Meeting
Topic: Panama Canal Expansion Program
Speaker: Mark Lasswell, CH2M HILL
Spotlight: David Evans and Assts.

Wednesday, 5 October 2011: Post Meeting
Topic: NOAA Marine Operations Center-
Pacific Dock project (Newport, OR)
Speaker: Tim Shell, KPFF
Spotlight: TBD

Wednesday, 2 Nov 2011: Post Meeting
Topic: Contingency Engineering
Speaker: Capt. (Ret.) Matthew Cutts,
USACE
Spotlight: TBD

Wednesday, 7 Dec 2011: Post Meeting
Topic: Sellwood Bridge Project
Speaker: Mike Baker, David Evans and
Associates
Spotlight: TBD

Wednesday, 4 Jan 2012: Post Meeting
Topic: TBD
Speaker: TBD
Spotlight: TBD

Wednesday, 1 Feb 2012: Post Meeting
Topic: Green-Wyatt Federal Building
Renovation
Speaker: Pat Bruner
Spotlight: TBD

Wednesday, 7 Mar 2012: Post Meeting
Topic: TBD
Speaker: TBD
Spotlight: TBD

If you have a topic idea or would like to be a presenter, please contact Brian Kamisato, Brian.S.Kamisato@usace.army.mil or (503) 747-7789.

Panama Canal Expansion Program

CH2M HILL is the program manager for the Panama Canal expansion program, a 7-year, \$5.25 billion program to add a third set of locks to the historic waterway. CH2M Hill is assisting in the management of all contracts, interfacing with the design-build construction teams and numerous stakeholders. As the sole program management advisor, CH2M HILL provides expertise directly or through subcontracts with firms from around the world on various aspects of the program, with a primary focus on the \$3.2B Third Set of Locks Design-Build contract.

The Third Set of Locks will provide a new lane of traffic, doubling the canal's tonnage capacity and allowing the transit of much longer, wider Post-Panamax ships through the waterway. About 14,000 vessels currently pass through the canal annually, but more than 73 percent of the world's cargo fleet is too large to pass through the canal. Expansion will accommodate Post-Panamax vessels and increase canal capacity to approximately 16,000 vessels per year. Program completion is scheduled to coincide with the Panama Canal's 100th anniversary in 2014.

Mark A Lasswell, P.E. President and General Manager CH2M HILL Alaska Region



Mr. Mark Lasswell currently serves as President and General Manager of CH2M HILL's Alaska Region. The state of Alaska represents the highest concentration and diversity of business and people of any CH2M HILL geography. In this role he is responsible for successful project delivery, business operations, and client relations.

Prior to this role he served as the president of CH2MHILL's Transportation Business Group. A global business that provides planning, engineering, design and construction services for highway, ports, rail, and aviation clients around the world. In this role he was the sponsor for major global programs like the \$5.4 billion Panama Canal Expansion Program and the \$24 billion Crossrail Subway Expansion Program in London.

He previously served as President of the Civil Infrastructure Group, and President of CH2M HILL OMI, the utility and city operations and maintenance division of CH2M HILL.

Prior to Mr. Lasswell being named to OMI's top position in 2004, he served as Senior Vice President of Business Development and Technology for CH2M HILL's Water Business Group. There, he made substantial contributions to the firm's business growth and industry leadership as a preferred provider of engineering, construction, and related technical services for public water agencies and private organizations. He is skilled in wastewater, water, and stormwater facility planning, design, construction, and operation. Mr. Lasswell has won and managed numerous projects around the world during his 32-year career.

Mr. Lasswell holds a bachelor's degree in civil engineering and a master's degree in sanitary/environmental engineering from Oregon State University. He is a Registered Professional Engineer in Oregon, Washington, and Idaho.

Mr. Lasswell lives in Anchorage, Alaska.

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Post Website

The Portland Post of SAME maintains a website where members can view general Post activities and information.

Please visit our website at: <http://posts.same.org/portland/>

LinkedIn Group

Do you have an account on the professional networking site LinkedIn? The Portland Post of SAME has created a discussion group on LinkedIn to distribute information to the Post Membership. Please search for **Portland Post - Society of American Military Engineers** and join the group.

Member Profile (Record) Updates

All members can update their member profiles by visiting www.same.org/update. Keeping your member profile current ensures all Post and committee communications reach you. As always, you can contact the SAME HQ membership team for assistance with updates to your membership record. Your demographics are more valuable because of new Streamer requirements and statistics that provide us with a base of who are members are.

Engineering Day

The Portland Post would like to thank the following Sustaining Members for their support during Engineering Day:

Alcantar & Associates	AMEC
Berger / ABAM	Brown & Caldwell
Continental Mapping Consultants	Cooper Zietz Engineers
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Integrated Water Solutions	Mead & Hunt
OBEC Consulting Engineers	Pacific Geotechnical
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Thomas/Wright	Portland District of USACE

SAME Portland Post/USACE Portland District Golf Tournament

The SAME Portland Post/USACE Portland District Golf Tournament will be held on Monday, 29 August 2011 at the Tualatin Country Club. Please see the attached flier for more details.

Sustaining Member Spotlights!

The Portland Post of SAME is looking for more Sustaining Member Spotlights. The Spotlights are an excellent way to promote your firm, and to highlight your experience, skills, and qualifications. Spotlights should be about 10 minutes long, and will be presented just before the featured speaker. This opportunity is open to all Sustaining Member Firms. For more information and/or to sign up, please contact the Membership / Sustaining Member chairperson: Amber Schulz 503.253.5429; ambers@coopercm.com.

Oregon Arch Bridge Field Trip Report

By Jason Kelly, Jason Kelly, PE, OBEC Consulting Engineers



The OBEC Consulting Engineers hosted a tour of the Willamette River Bridge in Oregon City on the afternoon of Friday, 17 June.

ODOT has undertaken the comprehensive rehabilitation of the Willamette River Bridge in Oregon City (also known as

the Oregon City Arch). This is a historic Conde B. McCullough bridge and is actually a steel arch bridge clad in gunite to look like a concrete structure. Numerous technical challenges were overcome to ensure the economy and constructability of the project, including the removal of existing concrete cladding without damaging the steel structure underneath. Hydro-demolition proved to be the answer. Historic reproduced bridge



features are also a key element of the design and construction. Construction is currently underway. The Oregon City Arch is truly a one-of-a-kind bridge in the U.S. and possibly the world. Built in 1922, the bridge has connected the cities of Oregon City and West Linn for 88 years. What makes the bridge unique is the twin 350-foot arch ribs uniquely protected from nearby paper mills by the aforementioned gunite coating instead of a traditional paint system.

OBEC would like to thank the participants that attended the Oregon City Arch Bridge Tour. This is an exciting and challenging project and we were happy to share our knowledge with the group. We hope everyone enjoyed the historical and structural complexity of the project.

For historic photographs of the bridge, please see:

http://photos.oregonlive.com/4450/gallery/oregon_city_arch_bridge/index-2.html



Spring Professional Development Seminar Report

On May 12, the Portland Post offered its latest continuing education program in conjunction with the PSU Professional Development Center (PDC) and the United States Army Corp of Engineers (USACE). The topic was Fish Passage on the Columbia River and Willamette River and was attended by 24 participants. This level of participation provided the Portland Post with \$720 for its scholarship programs. Thank you to those who attended. An extra special thank you goes out to those from USACE that prepared and provided the seminar and that coordinated the team with the PSU PDC, including Mike Langeslay, Brad Eppard, Jeff Ament, Laurie Ebner, Robert Cordie, Mindy Simmons, Rich Piaskoswki, Dave Griffith, Jeff Ament, Liza Roy, Greg Taylor, Kyle McCune, and Brian Kamisato. There are probably others at USACE that are not listed by name here but that contributed to the materials and their review, and we thank them as well.

Planning for the fall seminar is underway and the Portland Post anticipates bringing you two half-day sessions in November. Stay tuned for more details after the summer break is over.

Michelle Peterson
Portland Post Vice President for Youth

Seattle Post Continuing Education Seminar

The Seattle Post of SAME is hosting a Continuing Education Seminar from the 12th to the 14th of October in Sea-Tec, WA. For details, please see the attached flier.

Sacramento Post California Water Conference

The Sacramento Post of SAME is hosting the 2011 California Water Conference from 3rd to the 6th of October in Sacramento, CA. Speakers include: BG John McMahon, Commander, Northwest Division, USACE; COL Michael Wehr, Commander, South Pacific Division, USACE; COL Bill Leady, Commander, Sacramento District, USACE; COL Mark Toy, Commander, Los Angeles District, USACE; and LTC Torrey DiCiro, Commander, San Francisco District USACE.

For details and registration information, please see the Sacramento Post website at: http://www.samesacramento.org/calendar_waterconference2011.shtml

Pictures from the June Meeting

Dwight Hardin introduces GRI to the group.



Honorary Directors Pat Keough and Bud Ossey



Amber Schulz being awarded the Regional Vice President Medal from RVP Capt. (ret) Bob Schlesinger



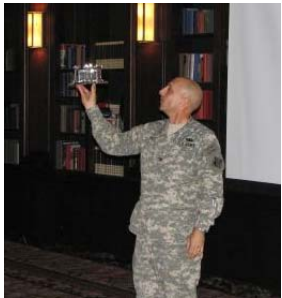
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Swearing in of the Portland Post Leadership for 2011-2012



Jeanette Fiess
USACE – Northwest Division



US Army Corps of Engineers, Portland District
Change of Command Ceremony



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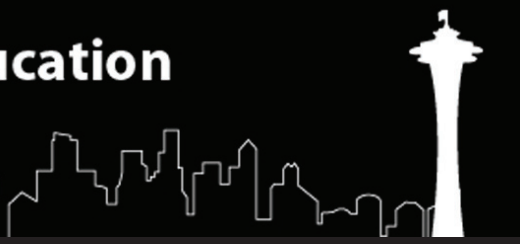
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Continuing Education Program

Seattle, Wash. • Oct. 12-14, 2011



SAME CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM (CEP) - SEATTLE, WA

October 12-14, 2011
Holiday Inn Sea-Tac Hotel

The SAME CEP is coming to Seattle. Sign up today for the last CEP of 2011. Registration is now open, visit www.same.org/continuinged.

Scheduled courses include:

One-day seminar to be held only in Seattle
Building Information Modeling for DOD Projects
Friday, October 14, 2011

Increasing Sustainability of Existing DOD Buildings
Wednesday, October 12, 2011 (1 day, 8 PDHs, USGBC Certified for 7.5 GBCI CE Hours)

LEED for DOD Projects
Thursday-Friday, October 13-14, 2011 (1.5 days, 12 PDHs, USGBC Certified for 10.5 GBCI CE credits)

Energy Management for DOD Installations
Thursday-Friday, October 13-14, 2011 (1.5 days, 12 PDHs)

Design Build for DOD Projects
Wednesday-Thursday, October 12-13, 2011 (2 days, 16 PDHs)

Best Value Source Selection for DOD Projects
Wednesday-Friday, October 12-14, 2011 (3 days, 24 PDHs)

Project Management for DOD Practitioners
Wednesday-Friday, October 12-14, 2011 (3 days, 24 PDHs)

CMAA Construction Management Standards of Practice Course
Wednesday-Friday, October 12-14, 2011 (3 days, 24 PDHs, CMAA Certified for 24 PDHs, 2.4 Continuing Education Units as well as AIA Learning Units)

(Courses are subject to cancellation if the minimum registrations are not achieved 15 days from the start of the event. All registration fees will be refunded in full in the event a course is cancelled.)

Questions?

Need more information or have questions about the CEP in Seattle? Contact registration@same.org.

SAME Cancellation and Refund Policy

Cancellations will be accepted prior to the start of all courses and must be received in writing to aismail@same.org. Tuition costs will be refunded in full minus a handling and processing charge of \$50 for individual registration. Refunds will not be issued after the posted deadline. You may also transfer your registration to a colleague if circumstances prevent you from attending the conference.



LODGING

Holiday Inn Sea-Tac Hotel

17332 International Boulevard
Seattle, WA 98188

SAME has reserved a block of rooms at the Holiday Inn Sea-Tac hotel at a special rate for CEP attendees.

To make your reservations call 877-573-2822 and ask for the SAME group code. The SAME rate is \$105 + tax.



Make the most of your trip to Seattle.

Sign up for multiple Continuing Education courses. One- and two-day courses are being offered to attendees so you can maximize your time away from the office and get the education that you are looking for.

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2011 S.A.M.E. PORTLAND POST
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Monday, August 29, 2011

0900 Shotgun

Tualatin Country Club

9145 SW Tualatin Road

Tualatin, OR 97062

Phone: 503-692-1122



Defending Champions

Bill Hagedorn & Rob Smith

**Hagedorn Surveying and
Engineering Inc**



FORMAT: 2-person scramble, with Calloway “computer” scoring.
 Your **ENTRY FEE** includes golf, cart, BBQ, range balls, and prizes.

Entry Fee Sponsor levels:

Par: \$200 (Sponsor recognition and 1 player)

Birdie: \$350 (Sponsor recognition and 2 players)

Eagle: \$500 (Sponsor recognition and 3 players)

ACE: \$600 (Sponsor recognition and 4 players)

We will pair up groups to make full foursomes as needed.

No private coolers allowed on the course. Beverage cart will be running (but not hosted). We'll be selling mulligans & free throws (which double as raffle tickets) and operating additional games at the course.

ENTRY DEADLINE: August 22, 2011 MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO Mike Roll

Complete the entry form below and return with fee to:

Mike Roll

9914 NE 103rd Circle

Vancouver, WA 98662

Phone: 360-896-2230 (home), 503-703-7265 (cell)

EMAIL: Michael_Roll@msn.com

We're not able to provide refunds, but substitutes are OK any time.

The tournament is being held in conjunction with the Portland District golf tourney

<u>Players</u>	<u>Contact information (phone & email)</u>