September Regular Meeting

Illinois Statewide Infrastructure Vulnerability Assessment and Climate Change Adaptation

The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) completed an All-Hazards Transportation Vulnerability Assessment in 2003. The study was spurred on by the events of September 11th, and as such, the study was focused on the potential impacts of terrorism. In 2014, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) released order 5520 requiring review of transportation infrastructure in response to increasing costs associated with damage from extreme weather events. IDOT set out to begin updating its previous study with inclusion of natural hazards and potential increases or decreases of those hazards under climate change scenarios. The study will be released in the fall of 2017, this presentation will summarize the efforts and findings of the assessment.

Our speaker, Bryan Cross has been in A/E consulting industry as an environmental biologist for over 15 years, and is currently the environmental manager for Prairie Engineers of Illinois out of their Springfield, Illinois office.

DATE: Thursday, September 14th, 2017
1130 Networking Period, 1200 Lunch and Speaker

SPEAKER: Bryan Cross, P.E.
Prairie Engineers of Illinois, P.C.

LOCATION: Quad Cities Botanical Center
2525 4th Avenue, Rock Island, IL 61201

COST: $10 for Public Sector and Retirees | $15 for Private Sector

CEU’s: 0.1 CEU (1 PDH) available for attendees

RESERVATIONS: Register by COB, Tuesday, September 12th at:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeXmRB2zNNh8fkmc277Z9ijNGHySap1Ok6F0cklvu5ZwHLSEA/viewform?usp=sf_link

For more information see: http://www.same.org/Get-Connected/Find-a-Post/Rock-Island
ANNUAL ENGINEERING TRAINING CONFERENCE
Friday, October 13, 2017
Rogalski Center @ St. Ambrose University, Davenport, Iowa

The Society of American Military Engineers (SAME), Rock Island Post and the Quad Cities Chapter of the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) are hosting the annual ASCE/SAME Engineering Training Conference. The attached program lists the training program. ASCE and SAME are also collaborating with RiverAction on their 2017 Upper Mississippi River Conference (UMRC) being held on October 11th-12th in Moline, Illinois. See http://www.riveraction.org if you are interested in attending the UMRC on Thursday, October 12th.


There will again be a site tour this year as well. We will be visiting "The Q" multimodal rail station in Moline, IL at the end of the day for all who are interested. http://qctimes.com/business/the-q-stems-ahead-in-downtown-moline/article_Occ418d0-ef53-568e-b2fd-9bf9c6b628e8.html

This is the biggest scholarship fundraiser each year for both ASCE, Quad Cities Chapter and SAME, Rock Island Post. We hope you can attend.

Registration Form (available online):
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd0SEhuyWsb0nQAQcY7JXcHYqqXtwvb-yuJQsCwZIEx1Tlg/viewform

The VIETNAM WAR Documentary

THE VIETNAM WAR is a ten-part, 18-hour documentary film series directed by Ken Burns and Lynn Novick that will air on WQPT beginning Monday, September 25 at 7:00 pm. The series will air each night for two weeks at 7:00 pm. Check out wqpt.org for episode descriptions and repeats.

The epic story of the Vietnam War features testimony from nearly 80 witnesses, including many Americans who fought in the war and others who opposed it, as well as Vietnamese combatants and civilians from both the winning and losing sides. Six years in the making, the series brings the war and the chaotic epoch to life. It includes rarely seen, archival footage, historic television broadcasts, evocative home movies, revelatory audio recordings from inside the Kennedy, Johnson and Nixon administrations and more than 100 iconic musical recordings by many of the greatest artists of the era.

The Rock Island Post is a proud Sponsor of this series.
Post Announcements:

- **2018 Officer Nominations:**
  The Post is soliciting nominations for the 2018 Post officers. Please email nominations to Mike Helms and Michael Tarpey by 30 September.

- **2018 Speaker suggestions:**
  If you have a presentation that you would like to present at a Post meeting in 2018, please contact Darren Forgy at dforgy@prairieengineers.com or (217) 605-0403.

- **Award nominations.** The Post is soliciting nomination for the following National awards and Rock Island Post Awards.
  - Rock Island Post 2017 Sustaining Member Firm of Year. Please email nominations to Mike Helms and Michael Tarpey by 30 September.
  - Rock Island Post 2017 Paul Norton Award. Please email nominations to Mike Helms and Michael Tarpey by 30 September.
  - 2018 SAME Fellow. Applications are available at http://wwwSAME.org/Become-Involved/Academy-of-Fellows/How-to-Nominate-a-Fellow-Form and are due on October 2.
  - Small Business Award: can be self-nominated and must be a SAME Sustaining Member Company in good standing prior to January 1, 2016, to be eligible for these awards. More information is at http://s3.goeshow.com/same/business/2017/sbawards.cfm
  - Large Business Award: can be self-nominated and must be a SAME Sustaining Member Company in good standing prior to January 1 2016, to be eligible for these awards. More information is at http://s3.goeshow.com/same/business/2017/sbawards.cfm
  - Industry Small Business Advocate Award: can be self nominated. The nominee must be a SAME Member in good standing and have been an SAME member prior to January 1, 2016. The nomination must be accompanied by endorsements from two or more SAME small business owners. More information is at http://s3.goeshow.com/same/business/2017/sbawards.cfm
  - Post Small Business Liaison Officer Award: can be self nominated. The nominee must be member of a Post Board of Direction as the named PSBLO or Post Officer to be eligible. The PSBLO Award is based on achieving specific criteria segmented into three focus areas: SAME Post Participation, Small Business Council Participation, and Small Business Advocacy Outside SAME. More information is at http://s3.goeshow.com/same/business/2017/sbawards.cfm.
HARVEY RELIEF: Taking Care of Our Own!

http://www.same.org/Become-Involved/SAME-Support-to-Houston

From: Joseph Schroedel <jschroedel@same.org>
Date: September 1, 2017 at 2:05:25 PM CDT
Subject: Harvey Relief: Taking Care of Our Own!

SAME Leaders,

On behalf of the National Leadership Team, please help in every way you can! Let’s get the word out!

As you all know well, many of our members have been impacted by Hurricane Harvey.

The Region (RVP – BG Patrice Melancon) and the Post (President Mike Fitzgerald) are working hard to identify the exact impact to members (see attached letter to members). They are also working with the Coastal Bend Post.

There are three ways in which you can help either as individuals or as a post or region:

1. donate as individuals to the post directly, no tax deduction*, all money goes directly to SAME members;
2. donate to a tax deductible organization - 3 recommendations from the Houston Post below; or
3. a post can donate post funds, provided the post board approves the donation; no issue with tax deduction – the post is 501 c (3)!

*It is important to note that individuals donating directly to the post MAY NOT CLAIM A TAX DEDUCTION. Legally, the IRS allowed (since 9/11) 501 c (3)’s to collect money from individuals to support disasters like this provided the money went only to “public purposes”. The caveat is that the 501 c (3) can donate money directly to members as long as the donor does not claim a tax break. The advantage of donating to the post … every cent goes to our members.

Some other points:

We (National Office) will provide accounting oversight.
The RVP (Patrice) will rally the region to form the disbursement committee (to ensure separation between recipients and disbursement decisions).
The Houston Post will report at the conclusion on funds received and disbursed as well as impact on members.

Donation Instructions:

1. Donations to the Houston Post: If Posts, or individuals want to donate directly to the Houston Post for the purposes of helping our local members who have been directly affected they can donate through PayPal using this email address: same.post.treasurer@gmail.com. We ask that they fill in the “NOTE” field: Harvey Relief, or similar so we can be sure we identify the intended purpose of the donation. Please note that in this instance, if an individual donates directly to the Houston Post, that donation is not tax deductible in the eyes of the IRS. Additionally, the Houston Post is in the process of assessing the number of affected members and the extent of the needs of those members. More information will be forthcoming as it is received. If the funds received by the Houston Post exceeds the level of need by those members affected, the remaining funds will be donated to one of the three relief organizations mentioned below, at the discretion of the Houston Post Board and the RVP of the Region.

2. Donations to local relief organizations: If Posts, or individuals prefer to donate to a relief organization, here is our list of the top 3 that the Houston Post Board recommends:
   c. JJ Watt Foundation: http://jjwfoundation.org/

This is your chance to help our members! As we’ve all said, what separates SAME from others – we CARE!!

Have a safe weekend and keep all affected in your prayers!!

Thanks!!

Deeds Not Words!

Best,
Joe
Joseph Schroedel
BG, P.E., F.SAME, USA (Ret)
Executive Director
Society of American Military Engineers
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<td>55th Annual QCESC Banquet, Putnam Museum &amp; Science Center</td>
<td>Register NOW for QCESC Banquet</td>
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<td>Saturday, April 1</td>
<td>Boy Scout Merit Badge Day “Soil and Water Conservation”</td>
<td>Contact: Ms. Robbin Dunn, (563) 327-5159 <a href="mailto:rrd@ci.davenport">rrd@ci.davenport</a>,ia.us</td>
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<td>Tuesday, June 6</td>
<td>District Engineers Briefing (Webinar) “Updates from (6) Regional</td>
<td>Contact: Laura Rozumalski, (608) 616-0128 <a href="mailto:irozumalski@freshwatereng.com">irozumalski@freshwatereng.com</a></td>
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<td>Speaker: Jim Gavin, RCDD, ESS – Principal Electrical Designer, Stanley Consultants</td>
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<td>Speaker: Sam Shea, Iowa DOT District Transportation Planner</td>
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<td>Golf Outing, Geneva Golf &amp; Country Club, Muscatine, Iowa</td>
<td>Contact: Heather Day, (563) 264-6779 <a href="mailto:DayHeather@stanleygroup.com">DayHeather@stanleygroup.com</a></td>
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<td>Contact: Anthony Heddeisten, (309) 794-5886 <a href="mailto:Anthony.D.Heddeisten@usace.army.mil">Anthony.D.Heddeisten@usace.army.mil</a></td>
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<td>Tour of John Deere Davenport Works Facility Davenport, Iowa</td>
<td>Contact: Roger Less, (515) 280-4958 <a href="mailto:Roger.less@hdrinc.com">Roger.less@hdrinc.com</a></td>
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<td>Contact: Darren Forgy, (217) 605-0403 <a href="mailto:dforge@prairieengineers.com">dforge@prairieengineers.com</a></td>
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To add events to the calendar, email Michael Tarpey at: Michael.J.Tarpey@usace.army.mil

If you would like to have your announcement, reminder, or photo included in the upcoming edition of the Post Notes please provide your submission to Morgan Mays at morganm@missman.com no later than the 25th of each month. Thanks!

Check out the SAME national website at www.same.org for other upcoming SAME events and opportunities.

Rock Island Post SAME Membership

If you, or someone you know is interested in joining SAME just use the link below to get registered: http://www.same.org/Get-Connected/Be-a-Member

Remember, individuals can be a member of 3 Posts. Sustaining members don’t forget to use all 6 of your memberships.