Communication is Key

In our collective business of delivering military engineering services to the people of the United States, we face many challenges. These can range from technical challenges on a specific project, to larger ones involving federal budgets and policies. Overcoming these challenges requires teamwork and good teamwork is built on communications. The Society of American Military Engineers was founded to bring the federal and industry teams together to foster good communications, improve relationships, and improve the services we deliver to the taxpayers. I encourage everyone who is interested in our collective business to attend our Post events, establish new contacts among the Post’s members, and bring in new membership.

It is my honor to serve as the President of SAME’s Louisiana Post. I look forward to leading the Post and representing you all in the coming months. I am always available to discuss the Post’s activities, or New Orleans District’s. None of us is as smart as all of us. I look forward to expanding my range of contacts and learning from each of you. As we communicate through SAME events we’ll all improve.

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COL Mike Clancy

HOST SUSTAINING MEMBER INFORMATION

Thank you to Tolunay-Wong Engineers, Inc. for hosting last month’s meeting.

We still have some luncheon meetings available for Sustaining Members to host. Hosting our monthly meetings is a great opportunity to put your firm in the limelight and showcase your firm’s experience and abilities. If your firm is interested in hosting one of these meetings, please contact Charlie Settoon at (504) 889-0182.

We would like to thank all the Sustaining Member Firms who have hosted a monthly meeting in the past. If it has been a while since your firm hosted a meeting, you are welcome to host another meeting. Let’s continue to show our support for the Louisiana Post through this great professional opportunity.
LOUISIANA POST MEETING
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2017

SOCIAL – 11:30 A.M.

POST LUNCHEON - 12:00 P.M.

LOCATION: JEFFERSON ORLEANS SOUTH
2536 EDENBORN AVE.
METAIRIE, LA 70002

GUEST SPEAKER: GARRET GRAVES, LOUISIANA CONGRESSMAN

TOPIC: UPDATE FROM WASHINGTON

MENU: SALAD, CHICKEN PARMESAN OVER ANGEL HAIR PASTA
PETIT POIS PEAS, DESSERT, ICED TEA & COFFEE

COST: $30.00 MEMBERS; $35.00 NON-MEMBERS; $5.00 STUDENTS

RESERVATIONS:
FOR RESERVATIONS VIA E-MAIL:
RICHARD.C.ENTWISLE@USACE.ARMY.MIL

YOU MAY ALSO CALL RICHARD AT (504) 862-1377

OR MAIL PAYMENT TO: SAME, LOUISIANA POST
5321 TOBY LANE
KENNER, LA 70065-2345

DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS 3:00 P.M. TUESDAY, AUGUST 15th

THIS WILL QUALIFY AS 1.0 PDH

DON'T FORGET THAT EVERY MONTH YOU CAN EARN 1.0 PDH (PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT HOUR) FOR ATTENDING S.A.M.E. LUNCHEON MEETINGS.
Congressman Garret Graves is a Republican Member of Congress representing Louisiana’s Sixth Congressional District – 13 parishes stretching north of Baton Rouge through the Capital Region down to Louisiana’s Bayou country. Graves sits on the House Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure and Natural Resources.

At the start of the 115th Congress, Garret was named Chairman of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, which oversees water resources development and regulatory programs administered by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), along with other agencies and water-related programs. As Chairman, Graves will play an expanded role in shaping legislation to limit the scope and economic damages of agency regulations, shorten the time it takes for projects to be completed and bring efficiency to how the government works.

In his position of leadership, Garret will play an important role translating the Trump Administration’s proposed Infrastructure Package into legislation in the coming years, particularly with respect to bridges, flood protection, ports, waterways and coastal restoration.

Graves, who recently finished his second year serving in the House of Representatives, has more than 20 years of experience working on energy, infrastructure, fisheries, maritime and water resources issues.

In addition to his policy expertise and years of private sector work, Graves served as Louisiana’s Chairman of the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority (CPRA) where he managed for the state one of America’s largest civil works programs in history and successfully streamlined government while boosting its productivity. Under Graves’ tenure, Louisiana constructed more flood protection infrastructure and restored more miles of coastline than at any other period of time in the State’s history.

Garret is a native of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, where he still resides with his wife Carissa and their three children.