Mukilteo Multimodal Project

Speaker: Charlie Torres, WSDOT

Program: This month’s program is on the Mukilteo Multimodal Project which replaces the existing terminal with a safe and efficient new facility 1/3 of a mile east of the existing facility. This will improve traffic by reducing queue lengths on SR 525, providing expanded holding area, and a new signalized intersection.

Presenter: Charlie was born New York City and graduated from Clarkson College of Technology with a degree in Civil & Environmental Engineering. He then served four honorable years in the United States Navy for the Civil Engineer Corps. After his Honorable discharge from the Navy, Charlie then served in Ecuador with the Peace Corps. Charlie’s career took another turn when he worked for the U. S. National Park Service at Yellowstone National Park. Charlie then pursued work in the Private industry working for Symonds Consulting, Parsons Brinkerhoff, and Richard Carothers Associates. Mr. Torres is currently working for Washington State Department of Transportation, Washington State Ferries in the Terminal Engineering Department.
Mount Tacoma continues to support Students by sending them to the Engineering Camps and awarding four Scholarships

The Mount Tacoma post has sent students to the National Camps for many years, this year was no different. This year’s camper Justin S. sent the following Thank you note with pictures from the camp:

“I wanted to thank you all for allowing me to participate in the United States Air Force Academy and Society for American Military Engineers’ summer stem camp! I had so much fun learning about how to come up with creative solutions to problems with a team! I don’t think I’ve ever learned so much in so little time, and I had fun doing so. During the week we did things like build canoes out of cardboard and duct tape, built water filtration systems, built actual dog houses, and even got to visit the Air Force academy for a number of tours! I’m so thankful you guys helped me get into the camp, I couldn’t have had any type of similar experience anywhere else! I actually got to be the project manager for the dog house construction, and that gave me a lot of lessons about leadership and getting people to work productively together. I really appreciate your guys’ help! I look forward to a career in the architecture field, and this experience only made me more motivated to achieve so! Here’s some photos from the camp”. - Justin S.

The Mount Tacoma post continually looks for ways to support the youth in their local communities. This year we were able to give out four $1,0000 scholarships to students at local schools. One of the recipients sent this thank you as her appreciation for our support:

“Dear Scholarship Committee, I am again truly honored and thrilled to be a continued recipient of the Mt. Tacoma Post SAME scholarship. I thank you for this generosity to my education and promise to work hard to honor your scholarship commitment.” - Jessica Z.
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The mission of the Society of American Military engineers is “To promote and facilitate engineering support for national security by developing and enhancing relationships and competencies among uniformed services, public and private sector engineers, and related professionals.” One key avenue for the society to accomplish that mission is to make the expertise and capabilities of our members readily available to government agencies responsible for response to natural and manmade disasters. To accomplish that end the Mt. Tacoma and Seattle Posts established an Emergency Preparedness and Infrastructure Resilience (EO&IR) committee.

Historically, large-scale response to emergencies has been a partnership between government and private industry. The full support potential of the A/E and construction industry in the Puget Sound area can only be reached when the Government’s emergency managers and the executives of the member companies are aware of each other’s requirements and capabilities.

EP&IR committee members reach out to local, State and Federal agencies to inform them of the capabilities of our sustaining members. The committee has prepared a tri-fold leaflet explaining the mission and purpose of SAME emergency preparedness. The leaflet contains a listing of member firms who have indicated a readiness to respond to emergencies and disasters.

The committee needs to know if you or your firm will be available to respond with your resources in the event of a disaster. The key questions are: (1) what capabilities do you offer to emergency managers in the early stages of disaster response and (2) how responsive can you be given that a regional event, such as an earthquake, may damage your facilities including employees’ homes. Any member firm that would like to participate as a listed available resource to government emergency management agencies should contact the Mt. Tacoma or Seattle Post Co-Chair of the Emergency Preparedness and Infrastructure Resilience Committee. In addition, any individual member who would like to work with the Committee is encouraged to contact one of the same committee co-chairs.

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