A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

As we approach the end of another year, it’s important to reflect on our accomplishments. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers of the Omaha Post. Your continued hard work and dedication is evident and very much appreciated. The Omaha Post continues to grow and be successful. This success would not be possible without you.

Several accomplishments of the Omaha Post since the last newsletter include the integration of the Black Hills Post as a Field Chapter, adding 23 individual and 4 sustaining member firms to our ranks! As your president, I pledge to make this union a success for all.

The Student Post represents another area of success thanks to our Young Members Committee and their leader, Cybil Boss of URS. The Young Members organized and hosted a kick-off meeting for college students at the Peter Kiewit Institute that raised awareness among several promising young students!

Most recently, the Awards and Recognition Committee hosted the first of what we hope to become an annual Holiday and Awards Event. A special thanks to David Packard with USACE, Jeanne Lebron with LandDesign, and Niki Strotman with HDR for putting this event together. Congratulations to all nominees and winners and good luck to those going on to National!

The Distinguished Post Committee, led by Curtis Miller of the USACE, is busy gathering information to prepare and submit the Omaha Post for the annual SAME National Streamer Awards. This is no small feat! Thank you Curtis!

I also want to thank our Readiness and Homeland Security Committee, led by Brian Wight of URS. This committee has worked diligently over the past few months to get the Post in compliance with SAME National Readiness Plan requirements. Your hard work and dedication are very much appreciated.

Wishing you a joyous holiday season!

Mary Erwin, Omaha Post President
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday, January 14, 2010
General Membership Meeting  
11:30 a.m.  
“Opportunities in Modeling and Simulation: Establishing a M&S Research Cluster at PKI Through Public-Private Partnerships”  
Dr. Mike McGinnis, PKI Director  
Location: Hilton Downtown*

February 2 – 3, 2010
Greater Kansas City Post  
“Industry Day Education and Training Workshop”  
For more information visit: www.samekc.org

February 16 – 18, 2010
2010 SAME Rocky Mountain Regional Conference  
“Building a Sustainable America”  
Location: Broadmoor Hotel, Colorado Springs

Thursday, February 18, 2010
E-week Banquet  
Location: Strategic Air and Space Museum

Thursday, March 11, 2010
General Membership Meeting  
11:30 a.m.  
“Key Sediment Control Project”  
Location: Hilton Downtown*

Thursday, April 27, 2010
Joint Meeting with NSPE  
Location: TBD

May 24 – 26, 2010
Omaha Post  
“2010 Industry Day and Golf Outing”  
Details coming soon: www.sameomaha.org

* Hilton Downtown is located at 1001 Cass Street

WELCOME BLACK HILLS FIELD CHAPTER

Submitted by: Mary Erwin

In October 2009, the Black Hills Post was integrated into a Field Chapter of the Omaha Post bringing with it 4 sustaining member firms, 14 sustaining member representatives, and 9 individual members.

Mr. Bryan Vulcan, P.E., U.S.A. (Ret), F.SAME, will serve as the Black Hills Field Chapter Director on the Omaha Post Board of Directors. In this capacity, Bryan will represent members of the Black Hills Field Chapter and work with the Omaha Board of Directors on how best we can serve members of the Field Chapter. New members include:

Sustaining Member Companies:
Burns & McDonnell  
Dean Kurtz Construction  
FourFront Design, Inc.  
USACE, Rapid City, SD Office

Sustaining Members:
Miss Jennifer Aldrich, USACE, Rapid City, SD Office  
Mr. Ken Anderson, Fourfront Design, Inc.  
Mr. Bruce Anderson, USACE, Rapids City, SD Office  
Mr. Garry Black, Fourfront Design, Inc.  
Mr. Bret Budd, USACE, Rapids City, SD Office  
Mr. Stephen Burgess, Dean Kurtz Construction  
Ms. Frances Corrigan, Fourfront Design, Inc.  
Mr. Paul Fischer, Burns & McDonnell  
Mr. Curtis Huus, Fourfront Design, Inc.  
Mr. Eric Kraus, Burns & McDonnell  
Mr. Bradley Kurtz, Dean Kurtz Construction  
Mr. Dwight Pochant, USACE, Rapids City, SD Office  
Ms. Rebecca Vandine, Rapids City, SD Office  
LTC Bryan Vulcan PE, USA (Ret.), F.SAME, Fourfront Design, Inc.

Individual Members:
Mr. Michael Albertson, PE, Albertson Engineering, Inc.  
Mr. Kevin Bliese, Indian Health Service  
Mr. Kevin Goyer  
Mr. Craig Grunenfelder, Indian Health Service  
Mr. Dayton Newbrough, Indian Health Service  
SMSgt Brian Nolan USAF, 5 CES  
LT Jody Page P.E., USCG, HDR  
Mr. Matthew Schulte, SD School of Mines and Technology  
CPT Robert Small

Happy Holidays!
FIRST ANNUAL OMAHA POST HOLIDAY AND AWARDS EVENT

Submitted by: Dave Packard

The First Annual Omaha Post Holiday and Awards Event was held on Thursday, December 10, 2009 at the Hilton Hotel. Despite cold temperatures and a major snowstorm that threatened cancellation, a group of approximately sixty members gathered to honor and recognize the achievements of their own and celebrate the holiday season. The event included a social hour with holiday music provided by harpist, Kim Meyer. Cocktails and hors d’oeuvres were served while members mingled. Thanks to event sponsors KBR, HDR, URS, and Kleinfelder, the cost of the event was very reasonable at $5/person.

Mary Erwin, Omaha Post President opened the program and introduced Matt Harvey, Past President of the Omaha Post and Dave Packard, Director for Awards and Recognition, who presented the program, announced 2009 nominees, and described all award and scholarship opportunities.

A new category, the Public Sector Partnering Award, was created by Omaha Post President Mary Erwin for an individual employed in the public sector who has made significant contributions to both his/her job and to the Omaha Post over the past year. The 2009 recipient is John Remus, Chief, Hydrologic Engineering Branch, Omaha District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. In addition to his busy work schedule, John has been a great supporter of the Omaha Post as a Director, chair of various Post committees, and was one of the original mentors in the Student Mentoring Program.

The Omaha Post recognized and is poised to nominate seven individuals to the National SAME Awards Program in the categories as noted:

Walter O. Bachus Gold Medal
Jeanne LeBron F, SAME/LandDesign

Goethals Medal
Todd Mack, P.E./DLR
Joe Shields, P.E./HDR
John Whisler, P.E., F. SAME /Leo A Daly

Urbahn Medal
Calvin Hinz, AIA, NCARB/CLH Architects

Tudor Medal
Jimmy Harding, P.E./National Park Service
Andrew Ohlman/Adesta

Although short of the membership eligibility requirements, the Post recognized the many contributions of Christie Murray as a worthy nominee for the SAME Young Member Medal. Christie participated in many Post activities prior to joining the Society, as well. Upon meeting the eligibility requirements, she will be formally nominated for this award.

Two Sustaining Member firms, HDR and Tetra Tech, will submit packages for the JW Morris Award.

All nominations will be forwarded to National at the appropriate time (January/February 2010) for consideration at that level. Congratulations and best of luck to ALL!

Many positive comments have been received on this event and we look forward to hosting a similar event next December. If you have suggestions or comments, please provide them to Dave Packard.
Bay West, Inc. Announces Opening of California Office

Bay West, Inc., an environmental, military munitions response, and industrial services company, announced that it has opened an office in Sacramento, CA. The office is managed by Tim Salane, PE, Sr. Project Manager, who has 7 years of experience with Bay West and 24 years of experience in the environmental industry. Mr. Salane will be working with Federal customers including the US Army Corps of Engineers, US Air Force, US Navy, and US EPA throughout the west coast, providing environmental and military munitions services.

Bay West has performed several long-term projects on the west coast, including military munitions work at Edwards AFB, CA, Former Stead AFB, NV, and Nellis AFB, NV. “Opening an office near the USACE Sacramento District, with whom we currently hold a multi-million-dollar environmental services contract, will enhance our ability to execute projects in the western U.S.,” said Lon Larson, President.

Celebrating its 35th year, Bay West serves customers nationally with offices in St. Paul, MN (HQ), Duluth, and Bemidji, MN, Seattle and Spokane, WA, Kalamazoo, MI, Kalsipell, MT, Goldsboro, NC, Eglin AFB, FL, Grand Island, NE, Cincinnati, OH, and Sacramento, CA.

Bay West Awarded $9.9M Munitions Response Single Award Task Order Contract (SATOC) for USACE Omaha District

Bay West, Inc., an environmental services company, announced that it has been awarded a Small Business SATOC to perform Military Munitions Response Program (MMRP) services at sites nationwide for the Omaha District US Army Corps of Engineers and its customers. Bay West has held similar contracts with the Omaha District and has performed more than $26M in MMRP investigation and remediation work in the last 5 years.

Associated with the contract win is a $1.3M task order to perform Comprehensive Site Evaluation (CSE) Phase I’s at 16 installations in the central and western US. CSE Phase I’s involve performing historical records reviews, interviews, and site inspections/visual surveys to determine the potential threat to human health and the environment associated with historical munitions activities.

Bay West provides environmental, military munitions and industrial services to Government customers nationwide. For more information on Bay West, log onto www.baywest.com.
UNO Student Chapter Kick-Off

Submitted by: Chris Langan

The Omaha Post Young Members hosted a kick-off event for the UNO Student Chapter on October 29, 2009 at the Peter Kiewit Institute. The event was designed to attract students to SAME and revitalize the UNO Student Post. Cybil Boss, Director for Young Members, briefed an introductory presentation highlighting SAME’s mission and benefits of student membership.

Young Member Andrew Barry delivered the feature presentation on the Corps of Engineers flood fighting measures initiated during the recent floods in North Dakota. Students had a chance to learn how hydrologic concepts learned in college translate into the work environment. Andrew also had a nice picture of the Corps Intern carrying all of the measurement equipment while he carried the single logbook!

The kick-off event was attended by 11 students, Omaha Post President Mary Erwin, Omaha Post Young Members, and other SAME supporters on campus. Mr. John Bonsell, our new Faculty Advisor to the UNO Student Post, was also introduced at the meeting.
URS Acquires ForeRunner Corporation

URS announces that the Company has acquired ForeRunner Corporation—a full-service engineering and design, project and construction management firm with more than 150 employees. Based in Denver, Colorado, ForeRunner provides services to oil and gas clients in the Rocky Mountain region and beyond.

“ForeRunner has earned an excellent reputation for its expertise delivering a wide range of services to its clients,” said David Balfour, Senior Vice President and Regional Business Unit Manager for the URS Division’s East Region 5. “By combining ForeRunner with URS, we expand our reach geographically, as well as enhance the services we can provide to the energy industry, particularly in the Rocky Mountain region.”

Since it was founded in 1996, ForeRunner has built a thriving business serving clients in the oil and gas industry by successfully managing and completing each project to its clients’ expectations. The company’s impressive project portfolio includes the development and expansion of an important gas storage project in California, the development of a coal-bedmethane field for BP, and building pipeline and processing facilities across the Rocky Mountain region from WY to OK.

At URS, we are committed to growing our energy business by expanding our pipeline and related facilities engineering capabilities and geographic reach in support of oil and gas clients. To meet this goal, the Company was looking to join forces with a well-established engineering company in the Rocky Mountain region, a dominant area for oil and gas exploration and development. With expertise in both pipeline and midstream markets, and strategically located offices, ForeRunner was the right choice.

ForeRunner’s ability to support the development of pipeline, processing, storage and gathering facilities adds a critical component to URS’ experience in the design and construction of multi-billion dollar midstream production and storage facilities, processing plants, refineries and transportation infrastructure. The combination of our companies will help us capture a larger share of the regional oil and gas market, while expanding our business across North America.

ForeRunner’s operations in the Denver area—a major hub for the oil and gas industry—and its additional offices in Durango and Rifle, Colorado, will become part of the URS Division’s Process & Energy Group. Together with our existing offices in Denver and Houston, we are strategically positioned in close proximity to some of the nation’s largest natural gas and oil fields.
**MEMBER SPOTLIGHT**

**GARY KRUPA**

**Position on the SAME Board?** Currently serving as 1st Vice President for the Omaha Post. Formally, the 1st VP oversees Readiness and Homeland Security for the Post; informally, the 1st VP is mentored on Post operations and groomed for future leadership. In other words, I do whatever the President needs done!

**What's your "day" job?** My official title is “Senior Electrical Engineer” for the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Office of Healthcare Engineering. In this virtual position, I’m assigned to our VA Central Office in Washington D.C., but continue to reside here in Omaha. I have nationwide responsibilities for a number of engineering programs (e.g. facility electrical studies) and provide technical consultations on electrical-related issues beyond the capabilities of the local VA Medical Center staff. Of course, this requires me to travel...making it difficult to attend our Post meetings at times!

In my weekend job, I am the Wing Inspector General for the 155th Air Refueling Wing, Nebraska Air National Guard. I assumed those duties this past July after serving as Commander, 155th Civil Engineer Squadron.

**Personal Information:** This year, I celebrated 20 years of marriage to my lovely wife Linda (nee Eipperle), also of Omaha. We have four children: Stephen, Paige, Joe and Izzie (ages ranging from 17 down to 9). We live in the “Polish Regency” area of northwest Bellevue (so nicknamed from the numerous South Omaha “expatriates” who have migrated south of the Sarpy county line).

Hobbies....Well, I haven’t had much time (between family and travel) to play ice hockey lately – not as much as I’d like to, in any case. Luckily, the invention of the “Traveler Guitar” allows me to keep playing guitar even when I’m on the road.

**How did you become involved with SAME?** With much encouragement, from my then supervisor, Russ Broich, of the Omaha District Corps of Engineers. Russ gave personal encouragement to me about the benefits of SAME – without his encouragement I doubt that I would have become an active member.

What has been personally fulfilling/beneficial from your work with SAME? I really enjoy the camaraderie and networking among Post members. We have great people in the Omaha Post and I really enjoy interacting with them – it’s often like seeing old friends (and sometimes is literally!).

What project/task/endavor have you been most excited/proud to work on in conjunction with SAME? I was so impressed by the Student Mentoring Program (SMP) at the National Conference (all those years ago) that I’ve been involved in some capacity ever since. Having watched the program grow under leadership of individuals such as Mike Baldino, Bill Gisman and Roy Singleton, it’s a great feeling watching the students at the competition each year. Besides, I always seem to learn something new from the students as well.

What are you looking forward to in the next year? 5 years? 15 years with SAME? In no specific time frame, the things I look forward to with SAME are, first, to increase our involvement with and service to local and state entities during times of crisis; we have a great deal of talent among our members which could prove a benefit if we can find ways to apply to our needs. Secondly, I really look forward to seeing more “fruits of our labor” in terms of more and more alumni of our SMP becoming practicing engineers, architects and related professionals. Heck, someone will need to take our places!

**What are the goals you hope to accomplish during your time in your position on the board?** First, in a general sense, I hope to continue to learn and understand the workings of the Post in order to provide continued leadership and service. More specifically, I believe increased community contacts is a realistic goal; members of the Readiness Committee have a good plan which, when executed, should make significant progress building those relationships.

**What benefits do you see for our community through SAME’s work?** The SMP is a great means of reaching out to students in our community and exposing them to the engineering profession in a very positive manner. I also believe that relationships being developed by the Readiness Committee, and by members at large, have a potential to provide technical resources to the community when needed.

**What would you say to an individual thinking about joining SAME?** Like so many other things, you get out of SAME in proportion to what you put in: the more involved you are, the more you will get back, both in professional growth and personal satisfaction.
SUPPORT THE TROOPS
Submitted by: Roger Roby

I would like to thank everyone who donated items and helped out getting the boxes ready for shipment to our employees in Iraq and Afghanistan. We ended up with a great turnout of donated items not only from the Omaha team but there were also donations from the UNL Bookstore, the Nebraska Bookstore, the Omaha Lancers, the Omaha Royals, the DoubleTree Hotel, and the Nebraska State Soccer Association.

24 boxes were filled to capacity with 531 pounds of great stuff that will make our employees feel a little closer to home this holiday season.

Thank you to the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME) Omaha Post for picking up the postage for all of the boxes.

Thank you Team Omaha!

“You Folks are the greatest. What a great surprise. There are a whole lot of people here at Bagram from all over the US of A that are real jealous. I can honestly say no matter after all my experiences, including New Orleans, the kids and folks in Omaha and the FANTASTIC Omaha District people are what make the Omaha District LIGHT YEARS above the rest in USACE. I can’t tell you how proud you make me feel.” Jude Hobza

CONTI FEDERAL SERVICES AWARDED ID/IQ MATOC

Conti Federal Services, Inc., of South Plainfield, NJ, was awarded on September 25, 2009, an Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity - Multiple Award Task Order Contract from the Department of the Air Force under the Worldwide Environmental Restoration and Construction 2009 (WERC09) contract, Full and Open Competition. The WERC09 acquisition will provide environmental restoration and environmental construction activities at sites located on DoD (primarily Air Force) installations worldwide, as well as any other sites for which the AFCEE customers have responsibility. Requirements will be primarily environmental restoration/remediation efforts that include completion of a conceptual design, construction, implementation, demolition, repair, and operation and maintenance of installed systems prior to delivery to the Government. Performance-Based Remediation (PBR) requirements are addressed in this contract. Traditional engineering and construction needs are a secondary requirement and include design, construction, demolition, repair, and operation and maintenance prior to delivery to the Government. The contract maximum value is $3,000,000,000 for all WERC09 awardees. The HQ AFCEE/ACV, Brooks City Base, TX, is the contracting activity (Solicitation Number FA8903-08-R-8348).
SCHMERMER GEOTECHNICAL / MATERIALS TESTING LABORATORY RECEIVES CERTIFICATION

The Schemmer Associates Inc. (Schemmer) is pleased to announce that its geotechnical and materials testing laboratory has met the Nebraska Department of Roads’ (NDOR) qualifications to perform testing services.

A thorough review by NDOR was completed in conjunction with NDOR’s Laboratory Qualifications Manual to confirm Schemmer’s commitment to equipment maintenance and calibration as well as certification of the firm’s technicians.

Schemmer’s formal Certificate of Laboratory Qualification/Acknowledgement of Testing Laboratory Review states that, “this laboratory has successfully completed the NDOR Laboratory Qualification Procedures for testing in the material disciplines.”

“We take our soil testing laboratory very seriously and, for that reason, we’ve achieved prestigious NDOR qualification,” said Loras Klostermann, P.E., Schemmer’s Manager of Field Services. “This certification affirms our commitment to quality, ongoing training, calibration of our equipment and employment of the proper procedures.”

Prior to his current position, Klostermann served as Schemmer’s Manager of Geotechnical Engineering. Working as a geotechnical engineer for 25 years, Klostermann earned his bachelor’s degree in civil engineering and his master’s degree in geotechnical engineering from Iowa State University. He is a registered professional engineer in Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas and Illinois.

“Our team’s individual experiences and training, in addition to our lab’s NDOR certification, underscores the fact that we are experts in soil conditions in this area,” Klostermann said.

In addition to NDOR certification, the Board of County Commissioners for Douglas County, Nebraska, has approved Schemmer’s testing laboratory services. Schemmer is one of only nine Nebraska firms receiving this endorsement for 2009.

The geotechnical engineering and geosciences branch of the Department of the Army has also added Schemmer’s geotechnical lab to its list of commercial laboratories qualified to conduct material tests for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

And although the State of Iowa takes a somewhat different approach to certification, Klostermann said that Schemmer’s laboratory is prequalified by the Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) for geotechnical and materials testing services. To maintain certification, IDOT requires ongoing geotechnical and materials testing courses for technicians administrating these types of services.

“What gives Schemmer an advantage is that we can provide services for all facets of a project, and most projects begin with geotechnical and materials testing,” Klostermann said. “Our professionals have proven time and again that their knowledge and expertise result in the absolute best geotechnical solutions for our clients. Our depth of experience allows us to assess the situation, quickly make recommendations, navigate obstacles, develop plans for owner review, build stakeholder ownership, and obtain necessary approvals to advance the project. As a result, we’ve helped our clients save valuable time and money.”

Klostermann concluded by saying, “Schemmer is committed to extensive continuing education to maintain our geotechnical and materials testing laboratory certifications. Our focused approach ensures that our clients have access to the ‘best of the best’ practices within our industry. We wouldn’t think of providing anything less.”
SUSTAINING MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Submitted by: Jim Wathen

The Spotlight program has been designed to provide benefit to Sustaining Member Firms. Is your company taking advantage of this opportunity? We can provide you with a PowerPoint template for guidance. It helps you to present items that will be of most interest to the post membership, DoD, federal and public. Also, you may, at your option, set up a tabletop display near the check in table with information about your firm, agency or group if you so desire.

The remaining spots are: 2 slots on March 11, and 2 slots at the joint meeting with Nebraska Society of Professional Engineers on April 27, 2010. Please consider contacting me, Jim Wathen, at jwathen@eaest.com or 402-440-5618. Don’t delay – these slots will fill quickly!

POST CONtributes TO THE NEBRASKA FOOD BANK NETWORK

Submitted by: Mary Erwin

The Omaha Post collected money at our November and December general membership meetings in support of the Nebraska Food Bank Network. A total of $338 was received and with the Post matching that amount, we were able to send a check in the amount of $676.

The Nebraska Food Bank Network reaches over 350 hunger-relief agencies across 77 counties in Nebraska and 16 counties in Western Iowa. Food distributed through The Food Bank touched over 300,000 lives this past year. For each dollar donated to The Food Bank, $14 of food and household products can be distributed.

Thank you to everyone who graciously contributed.
Lamp Rynearson Celebrates 50th Anniversary

Lamp, Rynearson & Associates is celebrating its 50th anniversary. Started in 1959 by Don Lamp and Bill Rynearson, the firm specializes in civil engineering, urban planning, surveying, aviation and transportation. Today Lamp Rynearson employs nearly 100 professionals in Omaha and Northern Colorado. Lamp Rynearson's involvement in community-changing projects has enhanced the Omaha landscape with projects such as the Qwest Center, riverfront improvements, Midtown Crossing at Turner Park, and many commercial and residential developments. Lamp Rynearson keeps its purpose statement, "to leave a legacy of enduring improvements" at the forefront of its work, and looks forward to the next 50 years of serving its clients and communities.

Celebrating 50 Years of “Leaving a Legacy to Our Community...”


Todd Cochran Named Iowa Roadway Manager

Schemmer recently named Todd Cochran, P.E., as Manager of Iowa Roadway within the firm’s Council Bluffs, Iowa, office. Joining the firm in 1997, Cochran previously served as a roadway designer and project manager in the firm’s Lincoln, Nebraska, office. In his new position, Cochran’s key responsibility will be to serve as project manager and ensure that his clients receive the highest value in professional engineering as quantified by quality of service, on-time delivery, and within budget.

“I plan to effectively communicate the many multidisciplined services that Schemmer can provide to Council Bluffs and area communities that have engineering needs. Schemmer has the proven ability to serve as a seamless extension of the clients we work for. My main goal now is to focus on developing and cultivating relationships to ensure Schemmer is available to assist clients when needed and help them meet their objectives,” Cochran said, adding, “I try to think from a client’s perspective and about what I would want and expect from a consultant.”

During the last 12 years, Cochran has worked directly with state and local municipalities on a wide range of projects, including urban and rural roadways, storm, wastewater, water mains and trails. A registered engineer in Iowa and Nebraska, Cochran has served as lead designer for a number of signature urban roadway design projects, including Council Bluffs’ current Broadway Viaduct. In 2008, he became an associate of the firm and also graduated from Schemmer’s Leadership Academy. In 2009, Cochran became a member of the Council Bluffs Chamber of Commerce’s Leadership XXII Class.

“I plan to contribute something substantial to this community that I live and work in. I am enjoying learning about the rich history of Council Bluffs. There is a lot of transportation history right here involving the railroads, Lewis and Clark, and the Missouri River,” Cochran said.

Cochran is a Certified Program Manager by The National Bridge Inspection Standards. He holds a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering from the University of Nebraska at Lincoln, and is a member of LOCATE (Lincoln, Omaha, Council Bluffs Association of Transportation Engineers). A U.S. Air Force veteran, Cochran is also actively involved in ACEC E-Week activities and MathCounts.
STUDENT MENTORING PROGRAM
Submitted by: Roy Singleton

The Student mentoring Program (SMP), in its 16th year, is under way and going strong thanks to the great support of our Sustaining Members and local professional firms. We have a total of 20 High school Teams and 17 Middle School Teams, or roughly speaking about 400 students!

We started the year with our annual Orientation session held at HDR’s Westroads Office on October 15. A total of 23 mentors and 13 teachers attended. A second make-up orientation session was held November 17 with 8 mentors and 2 teachers attending.

The teams have made their 1st submittals, due November 19, and this information is posted to our web site http://www.pki.nebraska.edu/studentinfo/simp under “2009-2010 High/Middle School Teams and Project Synopses”. Mentor information and company links are also posted with this information. There are many great project ideas this year, so check them out and come listen to the teams’ presentations on April 21 at the Scott Conference Center. The Keynote speaker will be Mr. Michael Kelly of the Omaha World Herald.

Our annual half-day Workshop will be held Saturday January 9, 2010. We have 3 educational paths in each Division in which select students learn about; 3D Modeling, Building Codes & Cost Estimating, Model Secrets, Presentation & Graphic Materials, Sustainability, and Writing Reports. These classes are taught by volunteers. Anyone wanting to volunteer to help with the Workshop should contact Roy Singleton at 554-2098. Additional information is posted to our web site under “Program Information” below Workshop.

Although we have 64 mentors, we still need an additional 5 assistant mentors, one each at: Duchesne Academy High School, and the following Middle Schools; King Science Center, McMillan Magnet, and St Pius X/St Leo Teams 1 & 2. If interested please contact Roy Singleton at 554-2098.

BAY WEST AWARDED ENVIRONMENTAL OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE TASK ORDER AT LACKLAND AFB, TX

Bay West, Inc., an environmental services company, announced that it has been awarded a task order under the Tulsa District US Army Corps of Engineers to perform Long Term Management (LTM) and Remedial Action Operations (RA-O) services at Lackland Air Force Base, located near San Antonio, Texas. Total value of the base task order and pending options is $2.15M. Bay West and its team member, Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC), were awarded this competitively bid project under its Environmental Remediation Services Contract (ERSC) for the Tulsa District.

Bay West will be performing RA-O, executing the groundwater monitoring wells maintenance program, and maintaining landfill caps/cover systems and providing period compliance inspections for 13 landfills at the Base.
MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to the following members who have reached their 25-, 15-, 10- or 5-year membership anniversaries! SAME Membership pins reflecting these anniversaries are available. If you would like a pin, please contact Dave Packard at david.a.packard@usace.army.mil. Thank you for your continued support of SAME and the Omaha Post!

25 Years (25-49 Year Members)

Curt Betts, P.E. - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Jay Brady, P.E. - Stanley Consultants Inc.
Jimmy Brasch, P.E. - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Leo Daly, III - Leo A. Daly Associates
Richard Donovan, P.E., F.SAME
Benjamin Fennelly - PBSJ
Terry Flanagan, P.E., F.SAME - HNTB
Paul Galda
Randy Graham - PBS&J
John Gregory, Jr., P.E.
David Henney, P.E., F.SAME
Dave Huelskamp, F.SAME - Merrick & Company
John Jacobsen, P.E., USN (Ret.) - NDOR
W.L. Jacobsen, F.SAME - The Schemmer Associates
J. Neil Jednoralski, P.E., NSPE (Ret.)
Wayne Jensen, P.E., COL, USA (Ret.) - University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Charles Johnson, P.E.
Kenneth Johnson, P.E. - 319 Civil Engineer Squadron
Paul Johnston - US Army CE Northwestern Div
James Keyser, P.E.
Dale Kittelson, Jr.
Douglas Larsen, P.E.
Eugene Liu, P.E.
S. Edward Mead, P.E.
Randal Petersen, P.E.
Tod Ringenberg, F.SAME - DLR Group
James Roubal, P.E. - Dana, Larson, Roubal & Associates
Alan Ruff, P.E. - Corps of Engineers
Frank Tierney
William Todsen, P.E.
Roger Wozny, P.E., F.SAME - The Schemmer Associates

Ed Conrath, P.E. - Protection Engineering Consultants
Joel Cross, USA
Ricky Cunningham, R.A., F.SAME - Eye Popping Promotions, LLC
Gary Eddy, P.E. - US Strategic Command
Kirk Engelbart, P.E. - USA, Omaha District
Christopher Findall - Weston Solutions, Inc.
William Gaube, P.E.
Ronald Geary, P.E.
Christine N.L. Hake
Kelly Harshbarger, P.E., USAF
Matthew Harvey, P.E., F.SAME - HDR
Dennis Hirschbrunner, P.E. - HDR
Darlene Hoffman - Kelly Klosure Systems
Ronald Hughbanks, F.SAME - HDR
Dennis Hughes, P.E., USAF (Ret.)
C. Dale Jacobson, P.E. - Jacobson Satchell Consultants
Melissa Johnson
Quay Jones, USA - USA, Omaha District
Catherine Knudsen, F.SAME - PLANTECO Environmental Consulting, LLC
Gary Krupa, P.E., USA - Department of Veterans Affairs
Daniel Kurmel, R.A.
John LaRandeau
Elwin Larson - HDR
Daniel Miller, P.E., F.SAME - Stanley Consultants Inc.
Gary Norenberg - USA, Omaha District
Craig Olson, P.E. - HDR
John Remus, II, P.E. - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Thomas Rietkerk, P.E., USAF - USSTRATCOM/J421
Mary Roth, P.E. - USA, Northwestern Division
Robert Roumph, P.E., F.SAME
Philip Schreier - Farris Engineering Inc.
Rodney Schwartz, P.E., USA
James Scott, P.E. - SEH
Sina Seyedian, P.E. - The Shaw Group Inc.
Johnette Shockley - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Roy Singleton, P.E. - SAME Student Mentoring Program
Daniel Sommer, P.E. - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Clifford Thompson
Kurt Ubbelohde, EIT, USA (Ret.), F.SAME - LEO A DALY
Jeff Voelker - URS Corporation
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