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NOVEMBER 2006 SAME/MSPE LUNCHEON

TOPIC: PROJECT DEVELOPMENT STUDY FOR THE UPPER PENINSULA GATEWAY DISCOVERY CENTER

SPONSOR: DLZ

(Earn 1 Professional Development Hour)

SPEAKERS: Mr. Anthony A. Bair and Mr. Stephen G. Metzger, DLZ

DLZ is preparing a master plan and investigation of the feasibility of constructing an Upper Peninsula Gateway Discovery Center on I-75 northeast of the Mackinac Bridge. . The desire to incorporate the natural terrain, native building materials, and provide views to the Mackinac Bridge and Straits of Mackinac were vital to make it a landmark and year-round destination for travelers. A number of important aspects of the project were particularly challenging. The desire to minimize clearing of the mostly wooded site and keep the existing Welcome Center open throughout much of the construction of the new facility severely constrained traffic circulation options. See the attached newsletter for a biographical summary of the speakers.

DATE: November 8, 2006, Wednesday

TIME: 11:30 am until 1:00 pm

PLACE: Detroit Club, 712 Cass Ave, Detroit, MI

MENU: Broiled Whitefish – brushed with a lemon wine butter sauce, vegetable of the day, rice, dinner rolls, coffee and tea.

PRICE: \$22.50

RESERVATIONS: E-mail Pam.Horner@usace.army.mil by noon November 6, 2006

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING: Will be held at 10:30 a.m. at the Detroit Club

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DETROIT POST S.A.M.E. NEWSLETTER
NOVEMBER 2006

DETROIT POST WEB SITE: Information about the Detroit Post S.A.M.E., including monthly newsletters, is available on our web site: <http://posts.same.org/detroit>. Please pass this newsletter on to your fellow members, potential members, and interested visitors.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT: *I am glad to be back from my Air Force Reserve TDY in the Pacific and am looking forward to learning about the recent Great Lakes and Ohio River Division Regional Conference. Our November presentation on Building Information Modeling (BIM) will provide some great insight on this leading edge technology which the USACE is implementing nationwide. I recently made contact with my former commander and friend at TACOM and they are working on an exciting program for us. I look forward to seeing everyone at our next meeting.*

SMALL BUSINESS MEEETING: Please see the following information for the 2006 USACE Small Business Conference on November 13-15, 2006:

2006 USACE Small Business Conference
November 13-15, 2006
Renaissance Grand Hotel
St. Louis, MO
Web site: <http://www.usacesbconf.org/>

MEMBERSHIP: It is very important that you keep your membership contact information current. Without current contact information for our members, the Detroit Post and SAME HQ are unable to send out important membership information such as membership cards, certificates, magazines and invoices. Additionally, if SAME HQ does not have current information on members, the membership Post Roster reports will reflect outdated information and result in members not being contacted with important information. Currently, SAME HQ receives quite a bit of return mail and e-mail each month for incorrect addresses and/or no forwarding address. The U.S. Post Office charges a fee for returned mail and SAME HQ would prefer to put this money to better use.

You can update your contact information by using the change of address card found in every issue of *The Military Engineer* magazine, by mailing, faxing or e-mailing their change of address information to SAME HQ, or by going online to www.same.org/memberupdate. Keeping your contact information current benefits you and the entire Society.

Please be advised that presently the SAME Web site requires two different logins depending on the Web activity. For all members who wish to view "Member's Only" areas such as Society, Regional and Post Operations, and Member Benefits must use their last name and six-digit numeric member ID. Individual members, who wish to update their contact information, must use the e-mail address we currently have on file for them and a unique password. If they do not know their password or have forgotten it, they can e-mail the membership department at member@same.org. Sustaining Members must use their last name, member ID and e-mail address in order to update their contact information using the web. If there is no e-mail on file in your membership records, you need to call SAME HQ membership department and have then input your e-mail.

Much effort is required to address undeliverable mail and we greatly appreciate your assistance in updating your contact information to make this job easier.

COMMITTEES: Cathy Misko, chairperson of the Readiness Committee is looking for volunteer committee members. If you have an interested in Readiness and Homeland Security, please volunteer for this committee. There are new requirements from National for this committee and it will require active participation throughout the year. If interested in learning more about this position, or volunteering, please contact Pam Horner, Post Secretary at 313-226-6748.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT: The Detroit Post offers Professional Development Hour (PDH) credits for attendance at designated SAME events. The Professional Development Committee will maintain records and track PDH credits earned by attendees at Post events. At the end of the program year, credits will be documented. If you need a copy of your credits, please contact the chairperson, Mr. Scott Bell. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Mr. Bell at (734) 332-1200 or by e-mail at sbell@limno.com.

CONFERENCE INFORMATION: Restore America's Estuaries is pleased to invite you to...

The 3rd National Conference on Coastal and Estuarine Habitat Restoration - Forging the National Imperative

Online registration is now open! You can register for the Conference online at: www.estuaries.org/conference. Send payment on or before October 17th and receive the early bird discount!

The Conference will be held at the Hilton Riverside Hotel in New Orleans, LA from December 9-13, 2006. This Conference will bring timely national attention to the challenges and opportunities to comprehensive coastal ecosystem restoration throughout the United States, and will emphasize the challenges ahead in strengthening a national commitment to coastal restoration.

For further information regarding registration, please contact Mindy Quinnette at (703) 536-4992.

For further information regarding the Conference, please contact Kristin Hoelting at (206) 624-9100, ext. 3# or conference@estuaries.org

AFFILIATE SOCIETY: See the following announcements sponsored by the Engineering Society of Detroit:

PLEASE VISIT THE ESD CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR SCHEDULED EVENTS (www.esd.org)

SPEAKER BIO: Mr. Bair has been with DLZ Michigan, Inc. for 6 years where he is responsible for overseeing the design and production of work from project planning through construction documents and bidding stages and through the construction process to ensure meeting schedule and budget limitations as well as the quality and completeness of the work. He maintains close client contact throughout the development of each project and serves as the liaison between Architecture and other departments.

Mr. Bair's 33 years of experience includes project management, feasibility studies, audits and reports, building code reviews, project design, quality control, preparation of construction documents and cost estimates for various renovation and new construction projects. Mr. Bair has conducted site audits and prepared reports, design, contract documents and cost estimates for facility improvements to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

Mr. Bair's experience with military clients includes numerous projects with USPFO, DMVA, Battle Creek Air National Guard Base, Selfridge Air National Guard Base, Fort Custer training Facility, and Camp Grayling. Mr. Bair has a Master of Architecture from the University of Michigan in 1973, a Bachelors of Architecture from the University of Michigan in 1973, and is a Registered Architect in Michigan, Ohio, and Indiana.

Mr. Metzger has been with DLZ Michigan, Inc. for 8 years and is responsible for overseeing a variety of environmental and transportation planning projects. He has diverse experience and has managed a number of multi-discipline projects and studies.

Mr. Metzger has over 15 years of experience in project management, feasibility and NEPA studies, wetland delineations and permitting, land use planning and zoning, wetland mitigation design and monitoring, quality control, preparation of construction documents and cost estimates, and public involvement.

Mr. Metzger's experience with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers includes a number of various sea lamprey barrier studies in Michigan and Wisconsin and a number of WRDA Section 206 and 1135 PRPs. Mr. Metzger has a Bachelors of Science from Central Michigan University in 1986, is a Certified Planner by the American Institute of Certified Planners, and has a Professional Wetland Scientist certification from the Society of Wetland Scientists.

SUSTAINING MEMBER NEWS

Hello SAME Sustaining Members,

I am sending an invitation for one of our members to sponsor the monthly luncheon. The cost is \$200.00 which will pay for the room and equipment rental. You will also be given a 5 minute spotlight to present an overview of your company. I will be periodically sending a list of speakers and the topics to facilitate sponsorships ahead of time, so we can give your company the recognition in the newsletter. Please contact me at 419.944.4591 (cell) with any questions or sponsorship commitment.

Anne Parker, Chairperson
Sustaining Member Committee