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FEBRUARY 2007 SAME

TOPIC: Building Information Management
Sponsor: Duro-Last Roofing
(Earn 1 Professional Development Hour)

SPEAKER: Mr. Phillip Colletti, Bentley Systems, will be discussing building information managements systems. Bentley's Building Information Modeling (BIM) approach to Integrated Practice enables architects and engineers to integrate project information, better collaborate, increase productivity, add value and meet today's demands of client project deliverables. A short biographical summary is included in the attached newsletter.

DATE: Wednesday, February 14, 2007

TIME: 11:30 am until 1:00 pm

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

MENU: Broiled Lake Superior Whitefish, brushed with a lemon wine butter sauce, served with vegetables, rice, rolls and butter, coffee or tea, cookies and brownies for dessert.

PRICE: \$22.50

RESERVATIONS: E-mail Pam.Horner@usace.army.mil by noon February 12, 2007.

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

SUSTAINING MEMBERS

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

SMALL BUSINESS WORKSHOP 2007: Please note the next Small Business Workshop is being held on Thursday, April 26, 2007 at Selfridge ANG. The function will be held at the Selfridge Dining Hall. Please visit our web page for further details: <http://posts.same.org/detroit/07smallbus.htm>. Registration will open on March 1, 2007. For Sustaining Members, we are offering sponsorship opportunities – please read the Sustaining Member News below for further details.

2007 SAME JOINT ENGINEER EDUCATION AND TRAINING CONFERENCE & EXPO: This year's national event is hosted by the SAME Philadelphia Post, in the city of Philadelphia, PA. - an area resplendent in history. The event is scheduled for May 1-4, 2007. Five educational tracks lay the foundation for this year's event, supported by exciting technical tours, an informational Exhibit Hall and worthwhile networking and social events. If you're looking to build partnerships, expand your visibility, or earn PDH credits for continuing education, the **SAME 2007 Joint Engineer Education and Training Conference & Expo** is the right conference for you. Please visit their web site for the most recent information on the conference and registration: <http://www.phillysame2007.org/>

USACE Infrastructure Systems Conference 2007: Join more than 700 engineering and construction professionals at the USACE Infrastructure Systems Conference, where today's leaders will address tomorrow's issues. The theme for this event is: **ENGINEERING IN AN INCREASINGLY COMPLEX WORLD: WHAT DOES THE FUTURE HOLD?** The event is scheduled for June 25-29, 2007, in Detroit, Michigan. Please visit their web site for further information and registration links: <http://www.usaceisconf.org/>. The Society of American Military Engineers is co-hosting this event.

SAME 2007 OHIO VALLEY AND GREAT LAKES REGIONAL CONFERENCE: The next regional conference for the Ohio Valley and Great Lakes Region is being held in Buffalo, NY on August 15-17, 2007. The conference theme is "Watershed Restoration and Development".

ANNOUNCING MEMBERSHIP DRIVE: Anne Parker, Chairperson of the Membership Committee, is pleased to announce that the Membership Committee is hosting a GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE MEMBERSHIP DRIVE.

The Detroit Post is interested in increasing membership of metro Detroit government employees, including the Corps of Engineers, TACOM, and Selfridge ANG to allow government entities to interact and participate with our organization. Therefore, we are hosting a membership drive at reduced rates to government employees through December 2007. The Detroit Post SAME invites government employees to a reduced 1 year membership rate of \$25.00.

The Detroit Post is planning to meet occasionally throughout the year at TACOM and Selfridge ANG bases to give those government employees the opportunity to interact with Post activities on a regular basis. The regular luncheon meetings will continue to be held in downtown Detroit.

In addition to a reduced membership rate, the Detroit Post is also offering government employees a reduced luncheon cost of \$10.00 through December 2007. Government employees who are not SAME Members are welcome to the SAME Luncheon reduced rate once per calendar year. Additional luncheon attendance will require full payment (unless you become a SAME Member).

There are many benefits being a SAME member, including the following:

- Promote and facilitate engineering support for national security
- Build and enhance relationships and competencies among uniformed services, public and private sector engineers and related professionals
- Stay on top of developments in the AE field including contracting, design, environment and emerging technologies
- Participate with other organizations such as ESD, MSPE, ACE
- Earn continuing education credits at monthly luncheons and annual meetings
- Participate in activities that support our Education Award Fund
- Mentor Young Members

If you are interested in joining during our government employee membership drive, please contact Pam Horner, Post Secretary, for further details (pam.horner@usace.army.mil).

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.

HIGH SCHOOL GRANT: A High School Club Research Grant will be awarded for science and engineering clubs at the high school level in the metro Detroit school districts. The purpose of this grant program is to award a \$1500 grant to high school clubs that conduct research. Last year, the award went to the Stream Team of Southgate Anderson High School where they purchased equipment to conduct stream monitoring and they will report out to us at the end of the school year. Typically, members of high school clubs have to fund their research out of their own pockets and it is financially hard on the students and the teacher. So, this program helps ease their need for research funding. Help us get the word out to local high schools. The scholarship committee will make contact with local schools to apply for the grant. Applications for the grant are due by the end of January 2007. Any questions should be directed to Connie Boris, Scholarship Chairperson, at 313-881-2240.

LEFEVRE EDUCATION AWARD: The LeFevre education award will be presented at the February meeting.

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.

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

SPEAKER BIO: Mr. Phillip Colletti joined Bentley Systems in 1999, bringing with him 20 years of architectural, engineering and technology experience. Mr. Colletti's has worked in several capacities at Bentley; from Bentley Software Strategic Consulting, to director of Discrete Manufacturing marketing and now as an Account Manager in sales. As an Account Manager he currently manages many of the large automotive accounts, their supply chain, and A/E's in the Midwest. Prior to joining Bentley he previously worked for a year and a half for Bidcom in the Internet project collaboration market. His

role was to provide Owners, GC's, and A/E's with the knowledge of how the Internet could improve their processes during the course of a construction process to reduce construction cycle time. Before that he worked 15 years with Albert Kahn Associates in Detroit, Michigan. In the late 80's, and after several years as a structural production coordinator, he became heavily involved in the initial office-wide transformation from manual drafting techniques to automated CAD processes, and engineering programming. Both internal and external clients began to note his exceptional work. In recognition of his work, Mr. Colletti was promoted to AKA's full-time technology coordinator in 1995 and was named an Associate of the firm in February of 1996. As technology coordinator his duties included: leading the Technology Implementation Staff, marketing web technology to clients, providing technology solutions to clients, and identifying steps for improving efficiency.

SUSTAINING MEMBER NEWS

Hello SAME Sustaining Members,

Monthly Sponsors - 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.

Small Business Conference - It is that time of year again, when we are getting ready to host our 4th Annual S.A.M.E./USACE/SBA Workshop. The event has grown in popularity and success each year and has consistently met its objective of networking area small businesses with Federal, state and local business opportunities. I would like to extend an invitation to your firm to participate in the upcoming 2007 Workshop scheduled for Thursday, April 26th at Selfridge ANG Base at the new Dining Hall Facility. As chairperson for the Workshop, the committee members and event organizers truly appreciate your support in past years. Your continued support would be greatly appreciated. I am looking for firms to sponsor the event this year. All of the proceeds will assist in paying for the event and provide funds for scholarship. If your company would like to sponsor the event please contact myself. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call me at 419.944.4591 (cell).

Anne Parker, Chairperson
Sustaining Member Committee