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### **MAY 2008 SAME MEETING**

**TOPIC:** Construction Program at the Tank Automotive Command, Detroit Arsenal  
(Earn 1 Professional Development Hour)

**OPTIONAL TOUR:** An optional tour is scheduled of the HUMMV facility at TACOM, following the luncheon at 1:30 p.m.

**SPEAKER:** Mr. Bob Erwin, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, will discuss upcoming construction work at TACOM. A short biographical summary is included in the attached newsletter.

**DATE:** Wednesday, May 14, 2008

**TIME:** 11:00 am until 12:30 pm Luncheon/Luncheon Speaker  
12:30 p.m. – Check – In at TACOM Security Gate  
1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. – Tour of HUMMV Facility

**PLACE:** Juliano's Restaurant, 27380 Van Dyke, Warren, MI

**MENU:** Luncheon Buffet – Includes salad, relish tray, mostaccioli, vegetable, potato, garlic bread, chicken cacciatore, lasagna, and a dessert trio: cannoli, éclairs, cream puffs, coffee, tea, and soft drinks.

**PRICE:** \$20.00

**RESERVATIONS:** E-mail [Pam.Horner@usace.army.mil](mailto:Pam.Horner@usace.army.mil) by noon May 7, 2008. If attending the tour, I will need the following information: Name, driver's license, citizenship.

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING:** Will be held after the luncheon/tour at designated location.

#### **SUSTAINING MEMBERS**

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**UPDATE - DETROIT POST WEB SITE:** Please note that the Detroit Post web site is: [www.same-detroit.org](http://www.same-detroit.org). You can find out about current meetings, and past meeting information. Sponsored by FutureNet Group.

**2008 GOLF OUTING:** The annual Golf Fundraiser will be held on July 15th at Selfridge ANGB. We will be looking for hole sponsors and donations for prizes at the outing. Please look for registration details in future newsletters.

**2008 SAME JOINT ENGINEER EDUCATION AND TRAINING CONFERENCE & EXPO:** This year's national event is co-hosted by the Minneapolis-Saint Paul Post and the Rock Island Post. The event is scheduled for May 20-23, 2008. 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 2008 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.same-2008.org>.

**SAME 2008 OHIO VALLEY AND GREAT LAKES REGIONAL CONFERENCE:** The next regional conference for the Ohio Valley and Great Lakes Region is being held in Huntington, WV on August 26-28, 2008. The conference theme is "Managing Risk". Conference details and registration is available on: <http://www.samehuntington.com/2008regionalconference/>.

**LOCAL ELECTION:** Attached is a ballot for the 2008-2009 session of the Detroit Post Board. Voting will take place at the May 14, 2008 meeting. If you will not be attending the meeting, please e-mail your ballot by May 12, 2008.

**SMALL BUSINESS WORKSHOP 2008:** Over 370 participants came out to the 2008 Small Business Workshop to hear about contracting opportunities from the US Army Corps of Engineers, Air Force Materiel Command, Naval Facilities, as well as other Federal, State, and local Government agencies. Mr. Robert Nardelli, Chairman and CEO of Chrysler LLC delivered the keynote speech. Mr. Nardelli spoke about Chrysler's commitment to engineering and new car design and has dedicated the month of May to our Military. Chrysler has several programs to assist family members and soldiers while deployed. The proceeds from this year's workshop continues to grow due to the commitment of our sponsors. Information from the workshop will be posted on our web page, please visit our web page for further details: <http://www.same-detroit.org/2008smallbus.html>. Thank you to our sponsors for your support in the event.

**MIDWEST LEVEE CONFERENCE:** The Saint Louis Post, in conjunction with the ASCE St. Louis Section, is hosting the Midwest Levee Conference focusing on design, methodology, and operational practices for flood protection systems. The conference is being held June 2-5, 2008, in St. Louis, Missouri. Please visit the web site for additional details: [www.midwestleveeconference.com](http://www.midwestleveeconference.com)

**ANNOUNCING MEMBERSHIP DRIVE:** The Detroit Post continues to host 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 2008. 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 2008. 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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto: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:**

**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. PDH certificates will be provided at the monthly luncheons meetings.

**AFFILIATE SOCIETY:** PLEASE VISIT THE ESD CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR SCHEDULED EVENTS ([www.esd.org](http://www.esd.org))

**SPEAKER BIO:** Bob is currently working as a Civil Engineer in the Engineering, Design and Construction Office, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Detroit District. Bob is tasked with a variety of duties to include the District Value Engineering Officer, Contracting Officer Representative for the district's Architect-Engineering contracts, and as the district's representative to the Great Lakes and Ohio Rivers Division Regional Acquisition Strategy Board. Bob has recently been assigned as the BRAC Coordinator for the large construction program at the Tank Automotive Command, Detroit Arsenal.

Bob received a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering from Wayne Sate University, and came to the Detroit District in 1978. He has served in a variety of positions throughout the district, both in the construction and engineering. Some of the positions held are, Resident Engineer, Lake Erie Resident Office, Detroit District Superfund Coordinator, and Project Engineer, TACOM Project Office. He also served a 5-year tour in Germany as a staff engineer for the 5<sup>th</sup> Signal Command and as Chief, Engineering and Resource Management Division for the Worms Military Community.

Bob is a life long resident of the Detroit area. He enjoys playing golf, bowling, spending time with his family and watching baseball and football.

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**SUSTAINING MEMBER NEWS**  
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Hello SAME Sustaining Members,

Monthly Sponsors - I am sending an invitation for one of our members to sponsor the monthly luncheon. The cost is \$275.00, 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

## SLATE OF NOMINEES FOR THE DETROIT POST 2008-2009 SESSION

A formal election will be conducted at the May 14, 2008, general meeting. Those wishing to vote, but not attending the meeting, can indicate their choice on this form and mail it for inclusion in the official Post poll. This should be mailed to the Post Secretary by May 12, 2008.

### SLATE OF NOMINEES

#### **OFFICER POSITIONS (1 year terms)**

POSITION	NAME	AFFILIATION	VOTE (check)
President	Connie Boris	Legacy Environmental	[ ]
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#### **DIRECTORS (2 positions open - 3 year terms)**

POSITION	NAME	AFFILIATION	VOTE (check two)
Director	Dianne Peck	A&H Contractors	[ ]
Director	Drew Lonergan	CTI Associates	[ ]
Director	Neal Gehring	NTH Consultants	[ ]
Director	Damien Wetzel	Stantec	[ ]

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