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FEBRUARY 2010 SAME MEETING

TOPIC: U.S. COAST GUARD EMERGENCY RESPONSE ON THE GREAT LAKES

(Earn 1 Professional Development Hour)

SPONSOR: STANTEC

SPEAKER: CDR Travers will provide a quick overview of the Coast Guard's emergency response operations on the Great Lakes to include a short video of helicopter rescue operations. The Ninth Coast Guard District is responsible for coverage of the Great Lakes Region from the extreme Northwest border of Minnesota to Massena, New York, on the St. Lawrence Seaway. This area is governed by two nations, eight states, three provinces, numerous tribal nations and hundreds of communities. The Coast Guard employs over 6,900 regular, reserve, auxiliary and civilian men and women, four sectors, one sector field office, two air stations, two air facilities, four marine safety units, nine cutters, 47 small boat stations, and five aids to navigation teams throughout the district. Coast Guard personnel provide maritime security over 6,700 miles of shoreline and 1,500 miles of international border and expertly deliver the world's premier multi-mission services in search and rescue, maritime safety, environmental protection, maritime law enforcement, aids to navigation and icebreaking to the region's citizens. A short biographical sketch of the presenter is included in the newsletter.

DATE: Wed, February 10, 2010

TIME: 11:30 am until 1:00 pm Luncheon/Luncheon Speaker

PLACE: Doubletree Guest Suites Fort Shelby, 525 W. Lafayette Blvd., Detroit, MI
(Fort Lernoult Conference Room – located on the second floor of the Doubletree)

MENU: CITRUS CHICKEN – served with artichokes, leeks and capers in lemon
buerre blanc sauce, includes house salad, chef's choice of vegetable and potatoes,
rolls and butter, freshly brewed coffee, decaffeinated coffee, iced tea and a dessert.
NOTE: Vegetarian meals are available only with advance registration.

PRICE: \$25.00

RESERVATIONS: E-mail Pam.Horner@usace.army.mil by noon February 8, 2010.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING: Will be held at the Doubletree Fort Shelby, 10:30 a.m. Second Floor Conf. Rm., adjacent to the Fort Lernoult Conference Room.

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DETROIT POST S.A.M.E. NEWSLETTER
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DETROIT POST WEB SITE: Please note that the Detroit Post web site is: www.same-detroit.org. You can find out about current meetings, and past meeting information.

STUDENT CHAPTER – University of Michigan ROTC – The student chapter will continue to meet monthly in the new year. LTC Jan Malaikal will be looking for speakers at future meeting dates, so if you have any suggested meeting topics that would be of interest, please let the Post Secretary know and we will pass it on to the student chapter.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE - LOCAL ELECTION: The Nominating Committee is preparing a Slate of Officers and Directors for the Post's 2010-2011 Session. Two Director positions (3-year terms) and all of the Post's officer positions (1 year term) will need to be filled. Any individual interested in one of the vacant positions should contact Ms. Horner at (313) 226-6748 (Post Secretary). Director positions, which provide an excellent opportunity to assist in the Post's management, have been historically filled with representatives from the Post's Sustaining Member firms. It is also the Nominating Committee's goal to fill at least one of the offices of President, Vice-President, or 2nd-Vice President from a Sustaining Member firm.

READINESS COMMITTEE: The Readiness Committee has updated the Readiness Plan. If you are a new Sustaining Member to SAME – Detroit Post, please submit your capability for Readiness to Drew Lonergan so he can include your firm in our current plan. Drew can be reached at (248) 264-4015. If you conduct any coordination with local/Federal emergency teams, please let Drew know so that we can include the effort in our activities.

EDUCATION/TRAINING: The Detroit post encourages members and sustaining members to submit articles to The Military Engineer or other professional journals. Please let us know when you submit articles so that we can include it in our Education/Training Streamer submittal for the Detroit Post, by e-mailing the Post Secretary at pam.horner@usace.army.mil.

LEFEVRE EDUCATION AWARD: The LeFevre Education Award nominations are due by the end of January 2010. The award will be given at the February 20, 2010 meeting.

WELSH EDUCATION AWARD: Nominations are being accepted for the 2010 Welsh Education Award. Local and regional universities will be contacted for both ROTC and civilian nominations and are due by the end of February. The amount of the award is \$2,000 for each award: two ROTC awards, and one civilian award. The awards will be given at the March luncheon on March 10, 2010 at the Doubletree Forth/Shelby. The nomination forms can be obtained from our web site: www.same-detroit.org.

ENGINEERING CAMPS: Following is a summary of the application deadlines for the engineering camps that are available to High School students. Please visit the web site noted below for details. The camps are co-sponsored by Headquarters and the Post, so there will be minimal cost to the student.

March 19, 2010—Deadline for Posts to submit applications to Army Engineering and Construction Camp in Vicksburg, Mississippi

April 23, 2010—Deadline for Posts to submit applications to USAFA Engineering and Construction Camp at the US Air Force Academy in Colorado

May 21, 2010—Deadline for Posts to submit applications to Seabee Engineering and Construction Camp at Port Hueneme, California

Visit <http://posts.same.org/camps/> for more information on all the SAME camps.

2010 SAME JOINT ENGINEER EDUCATION AND TRAINING CONFERENCE & EXPO: This year's national event is hosted by SAME National and the Atlanta Post. The event is scheduled for May 4-7, 2008 in

Atlanta, GA. Six 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 Joint Engineer Training Conference & Expo 2010** is the right conference for you. Please visit their web site for the most recent information on the conference and registration: <http://www.same.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageID=5048>

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:

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)

SPEAKER BIO: Commander Dan Travers is a native of Marlboro, Massachusetts, and graduated from the U. S. Coast Guard Academy in 1990 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering with High Honors. After serving as a Summer Ensign at the Aviation Training Center in Mobile, AL, he reported aboard the USCGC FIR (WLM 212) in Seattle, WA, as Operations Officer cross-decking to the USCGC MARIPOSA (WLB 397) in October 1991. He received his wings in November 1993 and earned the Daughters of the American Revolution Achievement Award for being the top Coast Guard graduate. His first aviation assignment was at Air Station Cape Cod where he flew the HH-60J and was assigned as the Rotary Wing Engineering Officer in April 1998 after completing the Aircraft Maintenance Officer Training Program. In 1999, he attended Purdue University's Krannert Graduate School of Management where he received his Masters of Science in Industrial Administration with a concentration in Finance and earned the Krannert Scholar Award for graduating in the top 5% of his class. After graduating in 2000, he was assigned to the Office of Aeronautical Engineering at Coast Guard Headquarters as the Fund Manager of a \$209 million dollar budget and also as the HH-60J Systems Manager responsible for all aspects of integrated logistics support for the Coast Guard's fleet of 42 aircraft including designing the HH-60J avionics upgrade project. In 2003, he was assigned as the Engineering Officer at Air Station Sitka where he again flew the HH-60J and led 60 personnel

in completing maintenance and providing logistics support for three aircraft. In 2006, he was assigned as the Industrial Operations Division Chief at the Aircraft Repair and Supply Center (ARSC) where he led 238 personnel and oversaw 14 industrial shops in providing industrial production and logistical support for four aircraft product lines. During this assignment, he was designated as an MH-60J/T Flight Examiner and was also the team leader responsible for developing a reorganization plan to transform ARSC to the Aviation Logistics Center.

Commander Travers assumed his current position as the Commanding Officer of U. S. Coast Guard Air Station Detroit on June 20, 2008. He leads an active-duty compliment of 25 officers, 73 enlisted and four civilian personnel and employs five Eurocopter HH-65C Dolphin Helicopter used to maintain a 24-hour Search and Rescue (SAR) and Law Enforcement (LE) alert at the Air Station located on Selfridge Air National Guard Base, Michigan, and at a seasonal Air Facility located in Muskegon, Michigan. He is currently an Aircraft Commander in the HH-65C with over 3,450 mishap free flight hours of which over 1,300 are as Aircraft Commander/Flight Examiner. He will be departing Air Station Detroit in summer 2010 to attend the National War College in Washington, DC.

Commander Travers' military awards include two Meritorious Service Medals, two Coast Guard Commendation Medals, the Coast Guard Achievement Medal, three Commandant's Letters of Commendation Ribbons and numerous other awards.

SUSTAINING MEMBER NEWS

Hello SAME Sustaining Members,

Monthly Sponsors – The Detroit Post invites one of our members to sponsor the monthly luncheon. The cost is \$300.00, 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. Please contact Pam Horner is interested in sponsoring a monthly luncheon at pam.horner@usace.army.mil.