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MARCH 2010 SAME MEETING

TOPIC: USACE WORKLOAD

(Earn 1 Professional Development Hour)

SPONSOR: Still need sponsor for March meeting

SPEAKER: LTC James Davis, Commander, Detroit District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will discuss the Corps of Engineers workload. A short biographical sketch of the presenter is included in the newsletter.

DATE: **Wed, March 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: **WHITEFISH** – 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 March 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 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.

SMALL BUSINESS WORKSHOP: The annual Small Business Workshop is being held on April 14-15, 2010 and is being expanded to two days, Day 1 – Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Workshop, and Day 2 – Annual Small Business workshop. See flyer on our web site for more details: www.same-detroit.com/2010smallbus.html. The location of the workshop has been moved to the MotorCity Casino Hotel in Downtown Detroit. The registration will be up and running in the next week or so, so check the website for further details on agendas, registration details, sponsoring opportunities, etc. Any general questions on the workshop can be directed to Anne Parker at 419-944-4591. Registration questions can be directed to Pam Horner at pam.horner@usace.army.mil.

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) 560-0715. 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.

WELSH EDUCATION AWARD: The Welsh Education Award nominations are due by the end of February 2010. The award will be given at the March 2010 meeting.

LEFEVRE EDUCATION AWARD: The LeFevre Education Award was given at the February meeting to Tiffany T. Neubig who is earning a B.S. degree in Civil Engineering at Lawrence Technological University. Ms. Neubig is earning her degree during the evening while working full time at Stantec and balancing raising a family. A check for \$2,000 was presented to Ms. Neubig at the meeting. Two members of Mary LeFevres family was in attendance for the award presentation.

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: Lieutenant Colonel James B. Davis assumed command of U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Detroit District July 11, 2008 after serving as the Brigade Operations Officer, 18th Engineer Brigade, Heidelberg, Germany. Davis also recently returned from Afghanistan where he served with the 130th Engineer Brigade.

Davis, born and raised in Keene, N.H., graduated from Norwich University with a Bachelor in Science in Civil Engineering in 1987 and was commissioned into the United States Army as an Engineer Officer. Davis received a Masters of Science degree in Engineering Management from the University of Missouri-Rolla in 1992.

Prior assignments include Plans Officer, Global Rebasing and Restructuring, GR2, Division, HQ U.S. Army Europe and 7th Army, Chief of Construction Management, 18th Engineer Brigade Heidelberg, Germany; Battalion Operations Officer and Executive Officer, 94th Engineer Battalion, Combat Heavy, Vilseck, Germany, Environmental Engineer, Defense Threat Reduction Agency, Field Test Division, Albuquerque, N.M.; Company Team Commander, 1st Battalion 4th Cavalry Fort Knox, Ky.; Company Commander 40th Engineer Battalion, Mechanized, 2nd Brigade Command Team 1st Armored Division, Baumholder, Germany; Executive Officer and Assist. Operations Officer, 5th Engineer Battalion, Combat, Fort Leonard Wood Mo.; Co. Executive Officer, 31st Engineer Battalion, Platoon Leader 802nd Engineer Battalion, Combat Heavy, Korea.

Prior combat and operational deployments include Operation Desert Storm & Desert Shield, Implementation Force, IFOR, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom and Pakistan Humanitarian Earthquake Relief Efforts.

Military training includes US Army Ranger School, Sapper Leader Course, Airborne School and US Army Command and General Staff College.

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.