



# North Winds

## VOICE OF THE ANCHORAGE POST

June 2008 Edition

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The Society of American Military Engineers  
(SAME) Meeting  
No meeting in June

Executive Board Meeting  
27 June 2008, 0630  
Country Kitchen  
346 E. Fifth Avenue  
(Next to the Sheraton between Fifth and Sixth.)



### Monthly Meeting

There will be no monthly meeting in June.

### SAME Golf Tournament

The 19th Annual S.A.M.E. Scholarship Golf Tournament is finally here! Sign-in starts at 12:30pm Friday June 20, 2008 at Elmendorf's Eagle Glenn golf course. Box lunch is provided for all tournament participants and the Shotgun Start is at 1:30pm

Forgot to sign-up? Call Ev Mabry ASAP! Ev can be contacted at 230-0652 or 696-7541 (home) and his email is [Mabry@mtaonline.net](mailto:Mabry@mtaonline.net)

The tournament is still looking for sponsors- all sponsorships directly benefit the Talley Scholarship fund-if your company would like to be a golf tournament sponsor please contact Ev Mabry, [Mabry@mtaonline.net](mailto:Mabry@mtaonline.net)

### President's Column

Another golf tournament is fast approaching, but we all need to take a minute to thank Ev Mabry who's been the tournament director for the last 19 years. As I'm sure you all know, Ev recently retired from Shaw and as he sets out to enjoy his retirement, he's going to hand the tournament responsibilities over to Dan Sterley. The service and dedication Ev's shown to the Post has been incredible and he's literally raised tens of thousands of dollars to support the Talley Fund and student scholarships. Beyond the tournament, Ev has also been a loyal supporter of the Post, from serving in various leadership positions and on the Board of Directors, to swearing in new officers each year at the banquet. I hope Ev continues to stay involved in the Post and will join us when he can, but please wish Ev and his wife well on their retirement and thank him for all he's done for the Post.

You don't have to volunteer to be the director to support the golf tournament. In fact you don't even have to golf. There are still plenty of sponsorships, all of which will go to the Talley Fund and are tax deductible. Please see the Post website if you're interested – it's never too late for a sponsorship and as this is the Post's only significant fund raiser for the year, it's important to us all.

Finally, we've had several inquiries lately about sending job announcements to Post members. The Board discussed this a few months ago and decided that placing the announcements on the Post website would fill a need for both sustaining and individual members. If you have a job opening or are looking for a position please go to the link below.

[http://www.sameanchorage.org/h\\_other/job\\_centra1.html](http://www.sameanchorage.org/h_other/job_centra1.html)

## **Board of Directors (BOD) Meeting Minutes SAME, Anchorage Post**

**Date/Time:** 30 May 2008/0630

**Location:** Country Kitchen Restaurant

**Attendees:** Ms. Kathy Jacobson, Mr. Skip Koch, Mr. Kevin Thomas, Maj Bryan Erickson, Mr. Alan Quesnel, Mr. Tim Gallagher, Mr. John Costello, Mr. John Magee, Ms. Vivian Tokar, Mr. Robert Wrentmore, Mr. Ted Trueblood

**Not Present:** Ms Kathy Gardner, Mr. Steve Schwicht, Mr. Bruce Steely, Mr. Tad Dean, , Col Kevin Wilson, Capt Matthew Anderson, Capt Matthew Albers, Mr. George Herr, Mr. Andy Larson, Mr. Everett Mabry, Ms. Karen Padgett, Mr. Jamie Spell, Ms. Andrea Soland, , Mr. Chris Turletes, Lt Col James Hodges, Maj Erik Sell, Capt Greg Mayer, Mr. Bill Kontess

### **Proceedings:**

- Mr. Kevin Thomas, Post President, opened the BOD meeting at 0635.
- President Report:
- The Board has approved the 2008 Goals and action plan. The Board will now begin implementing and tracking the Goals.
- Treasurer: Kathy Jacobson
- A summary of the budget was provided. The only large item currently being tracked is the deposit from National for member dues. The deposit generally occurs around this time of year.
- Readiness: Capt Anderson
- No report.
- Programs: Alan Quesnel
- With the golf tournament in June there will be no speaker/membership meeting. However, Alan has three speakers lined up and is trying to arrange what months they'll speak.

### **Other:**

- PDHs for Monthly Meetings
- Skip Koch has completed his research. In order to provide PDHs for attendance at the monthly membership meeting a PE must sign off on the attendance sheet to certify the presentation was technical in nature and satisfied the requirements of the licensing board. With many PEs normally in attendance this shouldn't be a problem. Starting with the July meeting we'll revise the attendance

sheet to include a summary of the program and a location for a PE to certify the PDHs.

### **National Conference**

- Ted Trueblood provided some feed back on the recent National Conference in Minneapolis. Ted and others said it was a great conference and probably the best SAME National Conference they've attended. They had a very good slate of speakers/topics and the awards ceremony where the Post received the Top Post award and Steve Bettis received the Urbahn Medal were outstanding and well attended.
- Tim Gallagher volunteered to contact the Anchorage Convention and Visitors Bureau to start them thinking about submitting a package to host the 2014 convention. The submittal is due in January 2009. Several attendees to the Minneapolis convention remarked about Dr Wolf asking when Anchorage would host a National.

### **Golf Tournament**

- The Golf Tournament is on track for June 20 at Eagle Glenn. There was much discussion about Sustaining Members support for sponsorships and the number of golfers signed up for the tournament. In the end it was decided that at least one more reminder e-mail would be sent to the post membership as traditionally most of the signups and sponsorships occur in the last two weeks.

### **Newsletter**

- The newsletter is looking for sponsors for July and future months. We'll ask the web page maintainer to post the newsletters when they're distributed.

### **Banquet**

- Vivian Tokar received a call from the Egan Center about reserving a date for the 2009 banquet. Vivian reserved January 24, 2009 which is a Saturday. The Board approved the date as well as a suggestion to seek Fran Ulmer as the speaker.

### **Seminar**

- Tim Gallagher, John Magee and Ted Trueblood have been discussing ideas for a Fall 2008 seminar. One idea brought forward is a seminar put on by the National Highway Institute and another on Force Protection. The Board stated that both ideas were appropriate topics for SAME members. The suggestion was also made to look for a Sustaining Firm to host the seminar and help with the arrangements. Other seminars in the past have been organized this way.

- Mr. Kevin Thomas, Post President, closed the BOD meeting at 0725
- Next month's events:
- General Membership Meeting: 20 June Golf Tournament (Eagle Glenn)
- BOD meeting: 27 June @ 0630 (Country Kitchen)

### **Newsletter Sponsorship**

**Sponsorship opportunities are available for the North Winds monthly newsletter. All sponsors will have their name and logo on the front page of the Newsletter and up to a two page flyer attached to the North Winds. New for 2008 all sponsors will be given five minutes at the monthly luncheon to pitch their firm.**

**The North Winds Newsletter welcomes articles of interest and photos for the Newsletter. Please submit articles and photos with captions concerning SAME activities to the editor by the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month.**

All members should check the web page to verify your email address is correct at:

[www.same.org/custom/postrosters](http://www.same.org/custom/postrosters)

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