



North Winds

VOICE OF THE ANCHORAGE POST

March 2009 Edition

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The Society of American Military Engineers
(SAME) Meeting
26 March, 2009
Anchorage Moose Lodge
BOD Meeting
27 March, 2009
0630 @ Country Kitchen Restaurant

This month's sponsor is:

AERO-METRIC, inc.
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Monthly Meeting

Society of American Military Engineers February Monthly Meeting will be Thursday, March 26, 1130 to 1300 at the Anchorage Moose Lodge. Please RSVP no later than Tuesday, March 24 to Andy Larson at: and al Larson@northwind-inc.com.

Guest Speaker

This month's guest speaker will be Irene Turletes of the UAA Architecture and Engineering (AE) Club. Ms. Turletes will discuss the clubs work with Habitat for Humanity.

President's Column

I hope this newsletter finds you well and active in the many pursuits that our association engages in. Since our last newsletter, I have taken the time to review our 2008 post goals and our bylaws. For purposes of this column, I

would like to refresh our members' familiarity with our post goals and then use next month's column to address our bylaws. The aim is to solicit your input on these goals, discuss them with our board, and then finalize and publish 2009 goals within the next month. 2008 post goals are as follows. Each goal has action items (*not included here*) already identified to make them a reality and are consistent with those from years past.

Goal 1: Education and Training.

Enhance and reinforce the professional and technical competence of members of the Anchorage Post through training and continuing education programs throughout the year.

Goal 2: Relationships.

Foster inter-disciplinary, inter-agency, inter-service, and public/private sector sharing of information, technology, and business practices. Maintain relationships with other posts in the Pacific and Northwest regions achieved by the 2007 regional training conference.

Goal 3: Relevance.

Develop and conduct high-interest programs that inspire membership growth and active involvement of Society members at Post, Region, and National levels. Pull in national, regional and local expertise and talent for Post programs.

Goal 4: National Security Programs.

Support national security engineering related priorities and programs. Ensure these are integrated throughout the year in presentations and in articles in the monthly newsletter.

Goal 5: Recognition.

Recognize internal and external accomplishments of Anchorage Post members.

Should you like to comment, please pass on your thoughts to our secretary, Jaci Mellot, at jaci.mellot@hdrinc.com

Thanks for all you do for our post.

Tim Gallagher

Post President

Proceedings:

- Ms. Nicole Knox, Junior Vice President, opened the meeting at 0645.
- The following were in attendance: Ms. Kathy Jacobson, Mr. Tom Fenoseff, Ms. Nicole Knox, Mr. John Magee, Mr. Chris Turletes, Mr. Alan Quesnell, Ms. Jaci Mellott, Mr. Ted Trueblood, Mr. Chris Mercer, Mr. Kevin Bingley, Mr. Bob Wrenmore, and Mr. Stephen Schwicht.
- Treasurer: Kathy Jacobson
 - Northwind needs help with the Newsletter, sponsorship is light.
 - Budgets are up-to-date.
 - AE Club Presentation. Motioned for a check with \$1,000 (already reserved for March Meeting) to go to the AE Presentation. Ted Trueblood motioned, John Magee seconded.
 - Member Checks from National are coming in.
 - Alan Quesnell is available to transfer funds to the bank.
- Newsletter
 - SAME needs to contact sustaining members to drum up support for the rest of the year.
- Programs: Allen Quesnel
 - AE club to present at the next SAME Meeting.
- Seminars: No new items.
- Membership: No update
- Banquet: Chris Mercer
 - o Approximately \$11,500 was spent.
 - o 225 people attended. Down from 250 in 2008.
 - o SAME incurred a loss of approximately \$2,500. Reasons for losses were discussed, which included:
 - Egan increased the food priced 2 weeks before the banquet. Food prices were not locked into the contract SAME signed with the Egan.

- Mr. Ted Trueblood mentioned that SAME is sponsoring too many meals for award recipients and other guests. Funds to support this are coming directly from the general fund. He mentioned that it is very rare for individuals to sponsor dinners. SAME needs to see if sustaining members will sponsor more. Ms. Kathy Jacobson suggests an action item for committee to address this issue. Alan Quesnell to address by June/July of 2009. Mr. Chris Turletes wants a defined number allowed for sponsors. Committee will figure out how to address who receives the sponsored meals. Ms. Kathy Jacobson to get numbers of sponsored meals to Mr. Chris Turletes.
- Mr. Ted Trueblood mentioned scholarship fund could cover meals of award recipients.
- o No additional updates until Fall 2009.
- o Talley Fund:
 - Currently have \$144,000 as of 3/20/09.
 - 4 seats in the Talley Fund are filled.
 - Mr. John Magee
 - Mr. Kevin Murphy
 - Mr. Ted Trueblood
 - Mr. Skip Koch
- o Golf Tournament:
 - Mr. Ev Mabry will set up the golf tournament. He will be at the March Board meeting and let us know how we fared. He is trying for a Thursday afternoon near the solstice. Ms. Nicole Knox volunteered to help with this item.
- After Action:
 - Engineer E-Week Captain Billy Allen attended the banquet. The SAME table was full. SAME table attendees need to be counted better in the future.
- o Awards
 - Mr. Stephen Schwicht mentioned Board should offer awards for

less recognized roles, yet very important roles. USACE Engineers, etc.

- Other:
 - Mr. Kevin Bingley is a guest at today's meeting. He works for the Indian Health Service.
 - Mr. Bingley needs approval from the SAME Board President to receive funds from SAME.
 - Mr. Chris Turletes to sign a draft letter for Mr. Tim Gallagher to sign. Mr. Ted Trueblood motioned, Mr. Alan Quesnell seconded.
 - \$3,000 is allotted for camp members. To date SAME has never used total allotted fund. \$1,000 is left in the discretionary fund to help provide support to SAME camp. Mr. Alan Quesnell motioned and Mr. Ted Trueblood seconded the motion for SAME to donate \$800, with additional funds, if they are available to Mr. Kevin Bingley. After discussion with the Board, Mr. John Magee motioned and Mr. Alan Quesnell seconded the action to donate a check for \$1,000 of support to Mr. Kevin Bingley.

- Ms. Nicole Knox, Junior Vice President, closed the BOD meeting at 0740

WANTED

Adventurous High School Student (s) for a week during a summer they will never forget.

The Anchorage Post is proud to be sponsoring, for our 7th year, an opportunity for a qualified student to attend one of three SAME Engineering and Construction Summer Camps. This year the Camps are offered at US Army Engineers in Vicksburg, Mississippi 14-20 June 2009; at the USAF Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado 26 June – 2 July 2009; and at the Navy's Pacific homeport for the Seabees Port Heuneme, CA 19-25 July 2009. The Anchorage Post has sent nine campers to the SAME Camps: Kamron Gastineau from Dimond in 2003, Jon Herr from Chugiak in 2004, Justin Hickel from Grace Christian in 2005, Alex Kontess from Eagle River in 2006 all

attended the AF Academy Camp. In 2005 Brock Olson from Dimond attended the Seabee Camp at Port Heuneme, CA as did Daniel Dellinger from Service in 2006 and Grace Amundsen from Service in 2007. In 2008 we sent Joseph Brown from Dimond to the AF academy Camp and Michael Larson from Service to the Seabee Camp.

The Anchorage Post is looking to pay the tuition for up to 2 High School students who have completed their sophomore or junior year to attend the SAME Engineer and Construction Camp at one of the three camps in 2009. It's not too early to think about your summer adventures.

Keep an eye on the SAME web site for details of the SAME summer Engineer and Construction Camps for 2009: <http://posts.same.org/camps/2009/>

The post will sponsor the student(s) by paying the **full** Camp tuition \$550 and a small stipend for transportation assistance, the attendee is responsible for transportation to and from the camp. If you are, or know of a student that is interested please **call and talk to one of us.**

Chris Turletes can be reached at (907) 244-8063 or Pat Coullahan can be reached (907) 223-7807. In order to be considered for the Post Sponsorship students must fill out the nomination packet on the website listed above and submit it to Chris Turletes at ancmt2@uaa.alaska.edu or Pat Coullahan at Patrick.M.Coullahan@usace.army.mil by 5 PM on **10 April, 2009.**

The successful candidate must have an interest in science and engineering, a connection to the Society of American Military Engineers and a strong desire to have an adventurous week at one of the camps and meet the criteria on the application form. Family or friends of the Post, Sustaining and Individual Members are strongly encouraged to participate.

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. For 2009, we will continue our practice of allowing sponsors 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 10th of each month.

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