



# North Winds

## VOICE OF THE ANCHORAGE POST

November 2009 Edition

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The Society of American Military Engineers  
(SAME) Meeting 19 November, 2009  
Anchorage Moose Lodge  
BOD Meeting 20 November 2009  
0630 @ Country Kitchen Restaurant

ALL NEWSLETTER ARTICLES ARE DUE TO THE EDITOR BY THE 10<sup>TH</sup> OF EACH MONTH

Please note we are in need of sponsors for 2010.

This month's sponsor is:



#### This Month's Speaker:

This month's speaker is Andy Larson, Anchorage Office Manager for North Wind. Mr. Larson will be discussing North Wind's work at the Haines Fuel Terminal under their performance based contract with the U.S. Army Garrison Alaska. The presentation will focus on source reduction activities completed during the 2009 field season.

Mr. Larson has a Bachelor of Science in Geology from Kansas State University (1994) and a Master of Science in Environmental Systems Engineering from Clemson University (1996). Mr. Larson oversees North Wind's Alaska operations and staff. He is a long time Anchorage Post board of directors member, does publicity for the Post, and is involved with the newsletter. In his "free time" Mr. Larson plays dad to two wonderful children and trains a team of sled dogs.

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

#### PROCEEDINGS:

The following were present:

Mr. Tim Gallagher, Mr. Tom Fenoseff, Ms. Kathy Jacobson, Mr. John K. Magee, Ms. Vivian Tokar, Ms. Nicole Knox, Mr. Pat Coullahan, Mr. Bill Kontess, Ms. Jaci Mellott, Mr. Alan Quesnell

Mr. Tim Gallagher –President opened the meeting at 0645.

- Treasurer: Ms. Kathy Jacobson
  - The deposit for the spring seminar is paid.
  - Banquet is to be paid next
  - BOD expenditures coming out in December for E-Week, AE Club, Etc. Normal donations for the beginning of 2010
  - 2010 budget will be completed soon
- Newsletter: Mr. Andy Larson
  - No update
- Programs:
  - No update
- Publications:
  - No update
- Seminars:
  - No update
- Awards:
  - No update

- Scholarships:
  - No update
- Membership:
  - Mr. Pat Coullahan asked how membership dues were doing
  - Ms. Kathy Jacobson has been unable to track dues with the new system from national
  - BOD members have noticed a consistent drop in membership—unsure of individual or large sustainers dropping
  - Mr. Tim Gallagher questioned if national could provide membership status. Mr. Alan Quesnell will speak with Major Sell to request a membership report
- Banquet:
  - Banquet is set for January 23, 2010—SEE ATTACHED FLYER FOR DETAILS
  - Banquet is moving forward
  - BOD set ticket price at \$45 military; \$55 civilian
  - Ms. Vivian Tokar requested the BOD to increase the wounded warrior donation from \$500 to \$1,000. Mr. Pat Coullahan approved the action and Mr. John Magee seconded the action. BOD approved
  - Additional information on the wounded warrior project is located here:  
[www.woundedwarriorproject.org](http://www.woundedwarriorproject.org)
  - Mr. Tim Gallagher suggested offering a wounded warrior booth opportunity. Mr. Alan Quesnell will inquire with Marc Hoffmeister
- Talley Fund:
  - Mr. Tim Gould is the new chair of the Talley Fund
  - The next quarterly meeting will be in November
  - Mr. Alan Quesnell mentioned that a scholarship amount needs to be determined. The current amount is set at \$10,000

- Streamers:
  - Mr. Tom Fenoseff requested clarification of BOD with goals and requirements of streamers
  - BOD is meeting requirements for education and training
  - Mr. Tom Fenoseff is in need of published articles
  - In regards to Professional Engineering or Certification updates:  
Mr. Tim Gallagher mentioned Brian McMillan, architect at HDR received his architectural license
  - BOD is meeting award PDHs
- After Action:
  - No update
- Other:
  - No update
- Goals:
  - No update
- Mr. Tim Gallagher, President, closed the BOD meeting at 0800.

#### CONTRIBUTING TO THE MISSION

The Anchorage Post distributes an average of \$22,000 annually for scholarship and donations through the efforts of our sustaining and individual members. These donations foster and support the education of our young engineers and scientists. The Anchorage Post would like to thank Weston Solutions for their generous donation in September to the Benjamin B. Talley Fund and to our annual scholarship award program. Weston's donation joins other sustaining members and individuals who have consistently supported this program. The Anchorage Post Board of Directors extends our most sincere appreciation and thanks to Weston Solutions and the SAME, Anchorage Post membership.

The annual banquet is fast approaching, and announcements and reservation fliers will soon be appearing in the *North Winds* newsletter, as well as in your email inbox. If you would like to join or continue in the scholarship donation effort, please

contact either Kathy Gardner (gardnerk@alyeska-pipeline.com) or Kathy Jacobson (kjacobson@akmaa.com).

### CPM Schedule Training

The Anchorage Post is sponsoring Critical Path Method (CPM) Construction Schedule Training on February 19 at the Captain Cook Hotel. Cost for this training course is \$125 for non-military and \$50 for military personnel. The goal is to demystify CPM scheduling. After this course you will have a higher proficiency reviewing schedules; will be able to use schedules as a management tool and increase project success; and reduce or eliminate delay claims. This course is currently being taught to the US Army Corps of Engineers, Alaska District.

### Students—Need a little extra \$money\$ to help you through the year?

SAME Anchorage Post offers approximately \$12K in scholarships annually. The awards are made in January at the annual banquet. Several awards are made from \$1K up to \$3K. Applications are due 15 Dec 2009. It's **easy** here are the criteria:

Requirements for Application:

- Resident of Alaska, attending college in Alaska, or an active duty or dependent of an active duty military member stationed in Alaska.
- Member of Anchorage SAME Post (**SAME membership for students is free** at [www.same.org/membership](http://www.same.org/membership) or <https://www.same.org/i4a/forms/form.cfm?id=72> or the post website [www.sameanchorage.org/h\\_about/meminfo.html](http://www.sameanchorage.org/h_about/meminfo.html)).
- Sophomore, junior, or senior student of engineering, architecture, construction or project management, natural, physical, or applied science, or mathematics at an accredited college or university.
- Citizen of the United States of America.
- G.P.A. of 2.5 or greater.
- If you are on a full (tuition, room and board, books) scholarship to the college/university you

are attending, you are not eligible for this scholarship.

- **Submit application with signature on or before 15 December 2009.**
- Additionally, we intend to offer one scholarship to a Masters student enrolled in a degree program listed above.

Requests for exemption to these eligibility requirements must be submitted in writing to the scholarship committee and mailed along with your application to the address below.

To be considered for a scholarship, you must complete the online application [www.sameanchorage.org](http://www.sameanchorage.org) look for the Talley Scholarship link and send it to:

SAME LTC (R) Chris Turletes  
Anchorage Post  
**or:**  
3010 Admiralty Bay Drive  
P.O. Box 149  
Anchorage, Alaska 99515  
Elmendorf AFB, Alaska 995  
Phone: (907) 244-8063

Email: [cturletes@gci.net](mailto:cturletes@gci.net)

Good Luck! The return on your investment could be substantial.

### Newsletter Sponsorship

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**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 10<sup>th</sup> of each month.**

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