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DECEMBER MEETING: Construction Management – Today and Tomorrow

Our guest speaker will be Bruce D’Agostino, CAE, and president of the Construction Management Association of America.

CMAA’s more than 4,600 members include both Construction and Program Management service providers and owner organizations in both public and private sectors. Membership embraces every practice setting from sole proprietorships to the largest corporations and government agencies.

CMAA’s mission is "to promote and enhance leadership, professionalism, and excellence in managing the development and construction of projects and programs."

The Construction Manager Certification Institute, an independent administrative body within CMAA, operates a national credentialing program that has, through the end of 2007, identified nearly 1,000 professionals as "Certified Construction Managers."

CCM is the only professional certification program in the construction industry to be accredited by the American National Standards Institute.

At our December meeting, Bruce will brief members & guests on how the CCM program operates and how it can benefit engineering & construction professionals. He will also describe major trends shaping the industry, and how the professional CM and PM functions in the context of both familiar project delivery systems (such as Design-Build) and some that are less widely known.

Bruce will also describe how SAME members can take advantage of a wide variety of Professional Development programs from CMAA, including a new wave of self-paced online educational modules.

MEETING DATE: Thursday, December 13, 2007

LOCATION: The Quad Cities Botanical Center
2525 4th Ave.
Rock Island, IL 61201

AGENDA:
11:00 Board Meeting
11:30 Social Hour
12:00 Lunch & Program

MENU:
Roast Breast of Turkey
Mashed Potatoes and Gravy
Italian Mixed Vegetables
Assorted salads, Dinner rolls, and Beverages

COST: \$10 per person

RESERVATIONS: Contact Scott Bullock at scott.a.bullock@usace.army.mil or 309.794.5579.

Cost is \$10 and is payable at the door. Please sign up by COB

Tuesday, December 11.

BUSINESS BRIEF: Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc. (SEH)

November Meeting Summary – National Security Meeting

At the November meeting, Ms. Joyce Flinn, Operations Officer with the Readiness and Response Bureau for the Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency, shared valuable information about the organization and gave an overview of how Iowa responds to disaster events. Joyce, we appreciate sharing with us your experience at the Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency.

David Svoboda, the 2007 Rock Island Post's selectee for the SAME Seabee Engineering and Construction Camp, spoke at the November meeting. He shared some of his experience about the camp with a short talk and picture show that held the audience in awe. Also in attendance was his father, Lt. Commander Scott Svoboda. David was one of the two people that the Rock Island Post sent to the camp. Other students who represented the Rock Island Post at the Seabee and Air Force camps were Martin Hoppe and Bryan McCarthy respectively. Applications for the 2008 Seabee and Air Force Summer Engineering and Construction Camps for freshmen and seniors in the region are due by March 31, 2008.



Picture 1: David Svoboda, Seabee Summer Camp Attendee

After the November National Security luncheon meeting, the National Security Committee convened to discuss the purpose and integration of our Post and its capabilities into disaster planning, response, and recovery at all levels of government. If you are interested in knowing more about the National Security Committee, please contact Dean Cerny at dean.r.cerny@usace.army.mil.

2008 NOMINATIONS OF OFFICERS

The following is a list of the officers nominated for 2008. Nominations are closed. The election will be held during the meeting. Refer any questions to S.K. Nanda at S.K.Nanda@usace.army.mil.

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SAME 2008 National Conference Update

Sustaining Member firms in the Minneapolis-Saint Paul Post and the Rock Island Post can now make reservations for Exhibit Booths. Registration flyers are available for downloading at the 2008 Conference Website:

http://www.same-2008.org/_sponsors/sponsors.htm

If you want to get a booth or sponsorship while you still have choices, please follow the link above, or contact Heather Cross at CrossHeather@stanleygroup.com.

Volunteers are needed to help execute the 2008 conference. Please look ahead and prepare to help pull off this event. Post members who are willing to help, please send your contact information to Chuck Spitzack at charles.p.spitzack@mvr02.usace.army.mil. Also, tell Chuck if you have a particular type of activity for which you want to volunteer. If you are available to help wherever needed, just tell Chuck to put you down as a general volunteer looking for an assignment.

Awards Information

Each year, the Society presents 35 awards to individuals and organizations from the uniformed services and the private sector to recognize their achievements in support of The Society's Strategic Plan, the engineering profession and the nation's national security objectives.

Nominations are due annually to SAME HQ by January 31 unless otherwise noted on the SAME HQ website. If you have any questions regarding the awards and the nomination process, please contact Kim Rupkalvis, SAME Executive Assistant, at 703-549-3800, ext. 111 or, you may contact S.K. Nanda, Rock Island Post Relationships and Recognition – Awards, at 309-794-5310. For more information please visit the SAME HQ's Awards Committee website at <http://www.same.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageid=3393>.

Membership Update

As stated in The Military Engineer, September – October 2007 magazine, the transition to a new Association Management System (AMS) for Individual Members is up and running. By now, every Individual Member should have received a new SAME Member ID Number. Please log in to verify your login username and password works correctly, and renew or update your member profile. If you have trouble logging in, please contact Individual Member Specialist Christine Gruskowski at christine@same.org, 703-549-3800, ext. 123, or Membership Support Specialist Heather Alexander at halexander@same.org, or 703-549-3800, ext. 122.

SAME has converted all Sustaining Members to its new Association Management System (AMS) and is now doing a final quality assurance check on the data. We appreciate our members' patience through this challenging process.

With this conversion, the new Sustaining Membership dues structure is now in place. The new Sustaining Membership application is available online at www.same.org/join. Additionally, due to the delay in transitioning to the new AMS, we have extended the August Sustaining Members renewal date to Sept. 30, 2007.

If you have any questions, please contact Sustaining Member Specialist Jackie Porter at jporter@same.org, or 703-549-3800, ext.121. You may also e-mail your comments or concerns to the SAME membership department at member@same.org.

Mentoring Update

Mentors' and Mentees' - Please mark on your calendar the Formal Graduation Dinner will be held in conjunction with the Installation of Officers dinner January 18th, 2008. More to follow...

46th Annual National Engineers Week Banquet – Leonardo Da Vinci

Pat Barnes, QCESC President sent an email to all QCESC Member Society Presidents regarding Leonardo Da Vinci, Putnam Museum and this years E-Week Banquet. Below is a copy of the email.

As hopefully you have heard and was discussed at the recent President's Reception, the Putnam Museum in Davenport has worked out arrangements to show the Leonardo Da Vinci exhibition: "Leonardo Da Vinci: Man - Inventor - Genius" from November 9, 2007 thru February 23, 2008. The amazing part is that exhibit has only been in two other US cities (Chicago and Seattle) along with 3 cities in Europe and Asia. With the connection to innovation, engineering and science, the QCESC is partnering with the Putnam in several activities that I wanted you to be aware of:

1. Discount for QCESC Member Societies and Immediate Family Members:

As outlined in the attachment link, a discount is available to QCESC Member Societies including yours and their immediate family members with proof of society membership.

<http://www.qcesc.org/Da%20Vinci%20Discount%20-%20QCESC.pdf>

2. Special Meeting This Wednesday, Nov. 28 at 5:00 PM at Putnam

The Putnam Museum and the Quad City Engineering & Science Council (QCESC) are partnering to setup 2-3 workshops at the Putnam in the January - February timeframe for local students. Attached is a link to the meeting notice and agenda.

http://www.qcesc.org/28Nov07_Putnam%20Meeting.pdf

At the meeting Wednesday, the desire outcome is to come up with 2-3 solid concepts for workshops that we can proceed with. Your societies input and participation at the meeting Wednesday would be greatly appreciated. If you have any suggestions for the workshops ahead of the meeting you would like to share or discuss, please let me know.

Please let me know if someone from your society can attend the meeting.

3. 46th Annual National Engineers Week Banquet - Feb. 21, 2008

With the Da Vinci Exhibit open through the end of National Engineers Week (February 17 - 23, 2008) - we have setup the 46th National Engineers Week Banquet for Thursday, February 21, 2008 at the Putnam Museum. I would request that you make this your February society meeting. Further details will be released in the near future. It should be a great event and great way to wrap-up the exhibit.

Further information on the Da Vinci Exhibit is available on the QCESC website at:

<http://www.qcesc.org/Da%20Vinci.htm>

If you have any questions or suggestions, please let me know.

Thanks for your support.

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LEONARDO DA VINCI

SPECIAL DISCOUNT DURING INTERNATIONAL DA VINCI EXHIBITION AT THE PUTNAM!

As a Quad City Engineering and Science Council Member Society, you and your immediate family are entitled to receive a special discount on admission to the Putnam Museum in Davenport. Simply show your QCESC respective Member Society ID and the regular museum admission fee will be waived. You can see the world-class exhibit **Leonardo Da Vinci: Man | Inventor | Genius** AND the rest of the exhibit halls for the price of the Da Vinci exhibit alone. Adults pay \$12 rather than \$18. Seniors ages 60+ and college students pay \$10 rather than \$15. And youth ages 3-12 pay \$6 rather than \$10. The Putnam Museum is located at 12th and Division streets. Museum hours are 10am - 5pm Monday through Thursday; 10am - 7pm Friday and Saturday; and noon - 5pm Sunday. *(Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas Day and New Year's Day.)*

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Upcoming SAME Events:

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Date	Post Event Description	Event Information
December 13 th , 2007	Construction Management Association of America	Perry Hubert, Ph. 309-794-5480 email: perry.a.hubert@usace.army.mil
January 18 th , 2008	Installation of Officers	Chris Trefry, Ph 309-794-5790 Email: Christopher.M.Trefry@usace.army.mil
February 14 th , 2008	Joint Meeting with Illini Post – Peoria, IL	TBD
February 21 st , 2008	QCESC Dinner	www.qcesc.org
March 13 th , 2008	Joint Meeting with ASCE	TBD
April TBD, 2008	Commander Briefings / Small Business	Scott Bullock, Ph. 309-794-5579 email: scott.a.bullock@usace.army.mil
May 8 th , 2008	Regular Meeting	Dean Cerny, Ph. 563-386-0572 email: Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil
June 12 th , 2008	Regular Meeting	Dean Cerny, Ph. 563-386-0572 email: Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil
July 10 th , 2008	Regular Meeting	Dean Cerny, Ph. 563-386-0572 email: Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil
August 14 th , 2008	Regular Meeting	Dean Cerny, Ph. 563-386-0572 email: Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil
August xx, 2008	X-Stream River Clean-up	TBD
September xx, 2008	Scholarship Golf Outing	TBD
October 15 th , 2008	Engineering and Project Management Conference	Mike Ryan, Ph 319-841-4391 Email: mryan@hrgreen.com
November 13 th , 2008	National Security Meeting	Dean Cerny, Ph. 563-386-0572 email: Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil
December 11 th , 2008	Regular Meeting	Dean Cerny, Ph. 563-386-0572 email: Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil

Date	Other Events	Event Information
February 21, 2008	QCESC Dinner, Putnam Museum, Thursday, February 21 st	www.qcesc.org
May 20-23, 2008	Joint Engineer Education and Training Conference and Expo, Minneapolis, MN	www.same-2008.org
TBD, 2008	Ohio Valley / Great Lakes Joint Regional Conference	

