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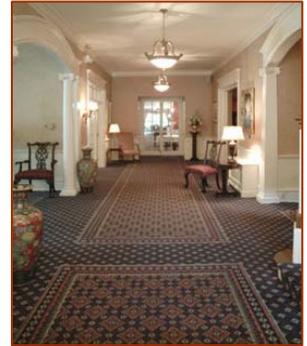
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**JANUARY MEETING: Spouse Night, Awards & Installation of New Officers**

Please join us on Friday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, for a special evening meeting at the Outing Club in Davenport, Iowa. This meeting is an opportunity to thank and recognize those who have served over the past year and to welcome the new officers. Members are encouraged to bring their spouse/friends to this special event. The evening will feature a "Change of Command" ceremony. Awards will be given to recognize exceptional contributions to the Post, followed by remarks by the outgoing Post President COL. Robert Sinkler. Installation of the 2009 Post Officers and Directors will be conducted and incoming Post President Matthew Clark will end the evening by sharing his vision for the Post in 2009. All past Paul Norton Award winners will be recognized for their past contributions to the Post's success and are encouraged to attend. Please invite your spouse or significant other. There will be a joint board meeting for incoming and outgoing officers at 5:00 pm. **Space will be limited to the first 80 reservations. Individuals will be responsible for the cost of the evening if reservations are made and are unable to attend.**



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- MEETING DATE:** Friday, January 16, 2009
- LOCATION:** **The Outing Club**  
2109 North Brady Street  
Davenport, IA 52803
- AGENDA:** 5:00 Board Meeting  
5:30 Social Hour w/ Cash Bar  
6:30 Dinner  
7:30 Awards & Installment of New Officers
- DRESS:** Military: Dress Blues w/four-in-hand tie or Class A w/four-in-hand tie  
Civilian: Business Formal  
Fellows: neckpieces
- MENU:** Sit down meal with your choice of 1) **Roast Prime Au Jus with Horseradish Sauce;** 2) **Salmon with Dill Sauce;** All meals also include Roasted Redskin Potatoes, Medley of Vegetables, Assorted Rolls, Drinks, and Dessert: Raspberry Sherbet. Special requests can be accommodated.
- COST:** \$20 per person, payable at the door.
- RESERVATIONS:** Contact Cory Haberman at [Cory.J.Haberman@usace.army.mil](mailto:Cory.J.Haberman@usace.army.mil) Or 309.794.5129. Please sign up by COB, Monday, 2009 January 12<sup>th</sup>.  
Please try to make reservations as soon as possible!  
Indicate your entrée selection when making your reservations.

## **DECEMBER MEETING: Legal Problems When Levees Do Not Protect: A Challenge to the Engineering Profession**

Our Featured speaker, Edward A. Thomas Esq., who specializes in liability for failed dams and levees; and the Constitutional and legal aspects of Floodplain Regulations discussed the Legal implications of how Engineering Professionals navigate the treacherous path of levee certification and contribute to the solution of the difficult challenges we face as a society as we re-build, re-map, and reconsider the risks involved in attempting to protect areas from the consequences of floods.

## **Rock Island Post Nomination of Officers for 2009**

Elected at the December meeting, the Rock Island Post officers will be:

### **Rock Island Post**

#### **2009 Officers**

President	Dr. Mathew Clark- Baird
First Vice President	Bob Ivarson- HNTB
Jr. Vice President	Bryan Snook – USACE
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#### **Board Of Directors**

Immediate Past President	Col. Robert Sinkler- USACE
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Director 1 Years	Joan Freitag- Hanson-Inc
Director (Young Member)	Cory Haberman- USACE
Director (NCO)	Dominic Kempson- Norris & Assoc

#### **Appointed Directors**

Director Emeritus	S. K. Nanda- USACE
Director Emeritus	Dudley Hanson – GASAI
Director Emeritus	Lynn Pruitt- Stanley Consultants

## **Planning for Boy Scout Engineering Day**

As part of our program planning for 2009, we will be hosting an event with the local Boy Scout troop to support their efforts in obtaining an engineering badge. The event has been scheduled for April 4, 2009, (Saturday) at a location to be determined. We need 3-4 volunteers to support planning and 10-15 volunteers to host the event (working with the Scouts at different activity stations). If any members were an eagle scout, feel obligated to volunteer. Please contact Sarah Babcock, [BabcockS@AyresAssociates.com](mailto:BabcockS@AyresAssociates.com), if you are interested in volunteering, have an idea about a possible venue, or know of a simple engineering exercise/activity (like bridge contest) that teaches engineering values.

## **Quad City Engineering and Science Council (QCESC) Banquet**

For information nominating an engineer for the QCESC awards banquet, our February meeting, please visit <http://www.qcesc.org/>.

## **Quad Cities Battle of the Bridges Planning Committee**

The Quad City Engineering and Science Council (QCESC) with support from Putnam/IMAX Museum, American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) and Society of American Military Engineers (SAME), will host the 2nd Annual Battle of the Bridges scheduled for Saturday February 7th, 2009 at the Putnam/IMAX Museum. The 1st annual event had a phenomenal turnout and the contest was a huge success!

The 2nd Annual Battle of the Bridges is on track for another successful event as ASCE and SAME have agreed to support the contest. So far SAME has donated towards bridge supplies and ASCE is searching their contact list for bridge/structural experts interested in helping out and sending out announcements to their member society asking for volunteers.

As we prepare for the 2nd Annual Battle of the Bridges contest, if you have any would like to help, have questions, and/or comments, feel free to email [scott.a.bullock@usace.army.mil](mailto:scott.a.bullock@usace.army.mil) or call his cell phone at (309) 269-0586.

## **Nomination of National Awards, Streamers, Etc, Continued**

All members are encouraged to look over the National award criteria ([www.same.org](http://www.same.org)) and fill out nomination packages either for themselves or for someone else.

If anyone has inputs for the 2008 streamers, please give that information to Mr. Dean Cerny. This includes any professional articles, newspaper recognition, SAME News, etc.

## **A small cornucopia of Pieces of Information about the Installation of Officers event**

- Sustaining Members, we are in need of wine sponsors. The sponsor amount is dependant on the total number of sponsors.

## **Young Members Corner**

One hot area for Young Members is social media. SAME is looking for ways to maximize current professional and social networks such as LinkedIn, Flickr, Twitter, Facebook and Wikipedia to connect SAME members, promote professional development, and develop mentor/protégée relationships. Suggestions are always welcome...please send recommendations to Capt. Tim Scheffler, USAF, YM Council Secretary.

## **To the Future and Beyond**

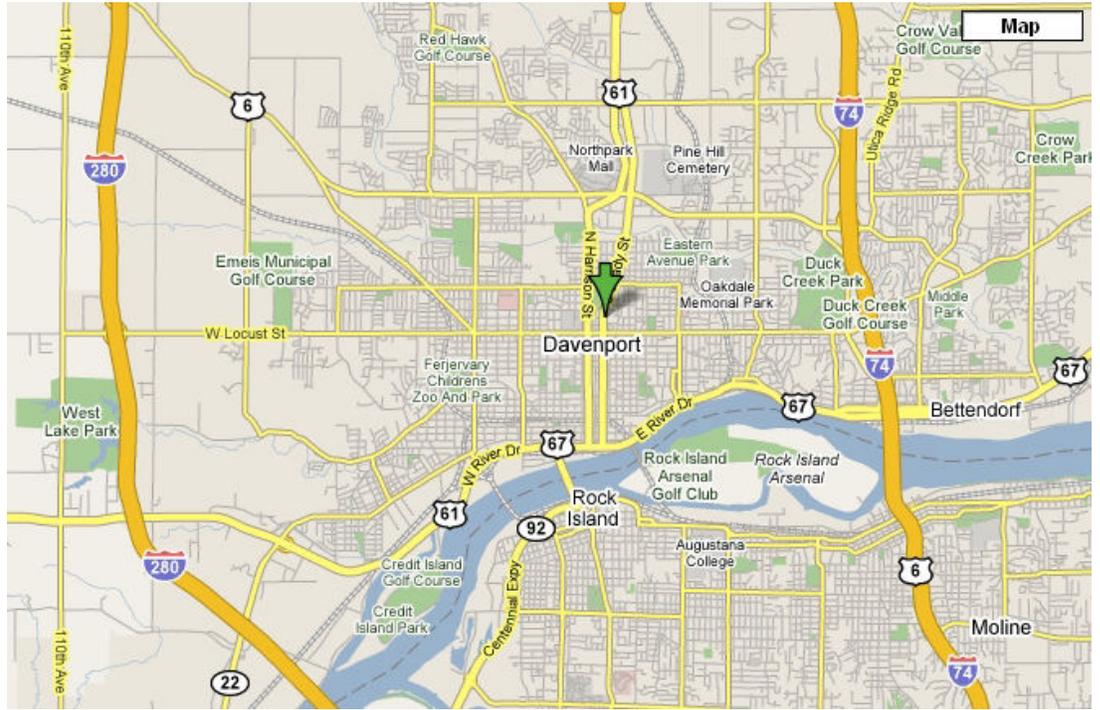
Business Briefs are available for next year for March, April, June, July, September, November, and December. Please speak with Dean Cerny at 563-386-0572 or [Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil](mailto:Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil)

The Small Business and Commanders Conference is expanding this year. More information will be coming soon, but please block off May 6-8th, 2009 on your calendars.

## **Upcoming SAME Training:**

LEED for DOD Projects Workshop, Honolulu Hawaii, Feb 24, 2009, <http://www.same.org/LEED>  
Design Build Workshop, Ft. Walton Beach, FL, Jan 21-23, 2009, <http://www.same.org/designbuild>

**Meeting Location**  
**The Outing Club**  
 2109 N Brady Street  
 Davenport, IA 52803



**Upcoming SAME Events:**

To add events to the calendar, email Dean Cerny at [Dean.R.Cerny@USACE.army.mil](mailto:Dean.R.Cerny@USACE.army.mil)

Date	Post Event Description	Event Information
January 16 (Fri), 2009	Installation of Officers	Chris Trefry, Ph.309-794-5790 email: <a href="mailto:Christopher.M.Trefry@usace.army.mil">Christopher.M.Trefry@usace.army.mil</a>
February 12, 2009	QCESC Dinner	Dean Cerny, Ph. 563-386-0572 email: <a href="mailto:Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil">Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil</a>
March 12, 2009	Regular Meeting	Dean Cerny, Ph. 563-386-0572 email: <a href="mailto:Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil">Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil</a>
April 4, 2009	Boy Scout Merit Badge Day	Sarah Babcock, Ph. 608-443-1228 email: <a href="mailto:BabcockS@AyresAssociates.com">BabcockS@AyresAssociates.com</a>
April 9, 2009	Joint Meeting with ASCE	Dean Cerny, Ph. 563-386-0572 email: <a href="mailto:Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil">Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil</a>
May 6-8, 2009	Commanders /Small Business Conference	Dean Cerny, Ph. 563-386-0572 email: <a href="mailto:Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil">Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil</a>
May 12-15, 2009	National Conference	Dean Cerny, Ph. 563-386-0572 email: <a href="mailto:Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil">Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil</a>
June 10 (Wed), 2009	Regular Meeting	Dean Cerny, Ph. 563-386-0572 email: <a href="mailto:Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil">Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil</a>
July 9, 2009	Regular Meeting	Dean Cerny, Ph. 563-386-0572 email: <a href="mailto:Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil">Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil</a>
August 2009	Scholarship Golf Outing	Heather Cross, Ph. 563-264-6779 email: <a href="mailto:CrossHeather@stanleygroup.com">CrossHeather@stanleygroup.com</a>
August 2009	X-Stream River Clean Up Event with ASCE	David Bequeaith, Ph. 309-794-5270 email: <a href="mailto:David.A.Bequeaith@usace.army.mil">David.A.Bequeaith@usace.army.mil</a>
September 10, 2009	Regular Meeting	Dean Cerny, Ph. 563-386-0572 email: <a href="mailto:Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil">Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil</a>
October 21, 2009	Training Conference	Mike Ryan, Ph. 319-841-4391 email: <a href="mailto:mryan@hrgreen.com">mryan@hrgreen.com</a>
November 12, 2009	National Security Meeting	Dean Cerny, Ph. 563-386-0572 email: <a href="mailto:Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil">Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil</a>
December 17, 2009	Regular Meeting	Dean Cerny, Ph. 563-386-0572 email: <a href="mailto:Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil">Dean.R.Cerny@usace.army.mil</a>