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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is hard to believe we are already in mid-December. As usually is the case, the year raced by and 2019 is right around the corner. Earlier this month, the Post celebrated the Holiday season with its members at our Holiday Mixer. About 100 SAME members and supporters came out to the Firehouse Restaurant in Old Sacramento. It was a great event that included networking, competitive games, and a great door prize drawing. It was nice to see so many faces. As with several events this year, we had an overwhelming response to this event and we were "busting at the seams". I think this added to the festiveness of the event. I hope everyone had just as great a time as I did.

As part of the Holiday Mixer, I touched on the great successes the Post had in 2018. This included distributing over \$33,000 in college scholarships, supporting a thriving Student Post at Sacramento State, a successful golf tournament, and a "sold out" Sustaining Members Forum in August. It was a great year for the Sacramento Post!

Of course, the Post successes couldn't have happened without the support of our members and Sustaining Member Firms and Agencies. For that, I thank you. I also want to personally acknowledge the Post Board of Directors, Committee Chairs and members, and other volunteers who are the backbone of this organization. Your tireless efforts (sometimes at all hours of the day) and commitment to the success of the Post do not go unnoticed and are truly appreciated. I lastly want to thank my family for their support over the past 2½ years as I serve as the leader of this great organization.

In 2019, the Sacramento Post will be celebrating its 75th anniversary. To commemorate this milestone, we are planning a more robust selection of programs this coming year ("no rest for the weary" is our motto). We will kick off the year with a discussion and tour

the setback levees in West Sacramento (registration is now open – go to www.samesacramento.org for information). Other upcoming events that are in the planning stages include a Water Infrastructure Conference in the spring, our Annual Golf Tournament in early summer, and our annual Sustaining Member's Forum/Conference in late summer. In addition, our annual College Scholarship Program kicks off in January. Whether it be through your individual involvement by leading/serving on a Post Committee or through your company/agency sponsorship of our programs and events, I look forward to your involvement with the Sacramento Post in 2019.

Lastly, I am always looking for feedback from our members on the Programs and Events we put together and the charitable events we support. If you have ideas on how we can better serve our members and or just want to become more involved in the Sacramento Post, I invite you to reach out to me at steven.herrera@northwindgrp.com.

I wish everyone a happy, joyous and restful Holiday season!

Cheers!

Steven Herrera
North Wind Group
President, SAME Sacramento Post





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2019 EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

All of us at the SAME Sacramento Post look forward to hosting another incredible year of events. An overview of what is coming includes:

UPCOMING EVENT TOPICS

***RD900/WSAFCA Southport EIP Levee System Geomorphic Evaluation and Tour**

- Member Appreciation Evening
- The Railyards: History and Upcoming Opportunities
- Water Infrastructure Conference
- Annual Golf Tournament
- Sustaining Member's Forum Conference
- Beale AFB Meeting

Keep up to date on upcoming events and programs by checking out the Sacramento Post's website. Details and more information can be found at: <http://www.samesacramento.org/calendar.shtml>

***RD900/WSAFCA SOUTHPORT EIP LEVEE SYSTEM GEOMORPHIC EVALUATION AND TOUR | THURSDAY, JANUARY 24, 2018**

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Southport Levee, West Sacramento

Please join us to hear an overview of the geomorphic evaluation and restoration design for the newly constructed Southport EIP levee system in West Sacramento, California. The presentation will focus on overarching civil design elements and how the introduction of a major levee setback like this can affect water surface elevations and sediment dynamics in the Sacramento River and the exposed floodplain. It will also cover how the exposed setback floodplain will be rehabilitated to provide valuable aquatic and terrestrial habitats.

You can register on the SAME Sacramento website - or click on this link: <http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=wiqunv6ab&oeidk=a07efwwfeikeb65ea55>



SAME SACRAMENTO POST PRESENTS

RD900 WSAFCA SOUTHPORT EIP GEOMORPHIC EVALUATION AND SITE VISIT

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TOPIC:

Geomorphic Evaluation

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The group will eat lunch and enjoy the presentation between 11am-12pm. We will then travel by bus to the nearby project site. We will complete a walking tour along the newly constructed levee and arrive back at Club Pheasant by 2pm.

Please bring walking shoes to traverse a gravel path and wear weather-appropriate clothing.

SPEAKERS:

Dr. Chris Bowles and Mr. Sam Diaz with cbec eco-engineering.

LOCATION:

- Club Pheasant (2525 Jefferson Blvd in West Sacramento)
- Southport EIP New Setback Levee (following lunch, group will travel together to levee site by bus)

LUNCH PROVIDED:

Lunch options provided by Club Pheasant:

- ½ Garlic Steak Sandwich with steak fries
- ½ Chicken Sandwich with steak fries
- Spring Mix Salad (spring mix lettuce, grilled chicken, pears, dried cranberries, crumbled bleu cheese, poppy seed dressing, and garlic bread) *Vegan/Vegetarian available upon request*

COST:

Free—Student Members, Active Duty Enlisted/Company Grade Officers & Speakers

\$25—Government, Field Grade Officer Military & Retired

\$40—Industry Members

\$50—Non-members & Late Registration

“Please note that all no-shows will be charged without exception.”

REGISTRATION:

Registration is available by using our [online registration link](#). **Regular registration ends on Sunday, January 20 at 11:59 PM.** The late registration/walk in registration period starts Monday, January 21 at 12:00AM. Late and walk-in registrations are welcome and will be accommodated to the best of our ability, but food, handouts (if any), seating, etc. cannot be guaranteed as our setup is based on the number of regular registrations. There are contacts and information on the registration pages if you need additional information.

QUESTIONS:

Event Information: Nathan Rockwood, Mead & Hunt, Post Programs Chair – 916.971.3961 (nathan.rockwood@meadhunt.com)

Event Registration: Dave Cook, GENTERRA Consultants Inc – 530.588.5697 (dcook@genterra.com)

Event Registration: Steven Herrera, Post President – 916.817.4964 (sherrera@nlineenergy.com)

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SAME PROGRAM SPONSORSHIPS

2019 will mark an exciting year as the Society of American Military Engineers moves towards the association's Run to 2020! Each and every program and event provides all of us with an opportunity to support SAME's Mission and Goals. Your participation in and sponsorships of these events and programs provides opportunities for the Sacramento Chapter to award grants to high school and college students; educate middle school students about career paths through STARbase and STEM programs; assist well deserving homeowners by helping around their homes with Rebuilding Together Sacramento; and donating to multiple local charities and programs.

All of our upcoming events and programs depend on sponsors. We have a whole year ahead of us - let's make it an awesome one!!!

COMMUNICATIONS AND REGISTRATIONS

The SAME Sacramento Post is working to improve the communications and registration processes for our events. You will be noticing changes as we find the appropriate systems and information detail. The communications group will be, as in the past, maintaining the website updates, and our events will continue to be promoted with a flyer that can be printed and posted in the office. But we believe most members prefer email communication to get the information needed. An increasing focus will be given to email communications over the next several months including implementing new communication software. Registration links are changing to provide you with a cleaner, easier and mobile-device friendly format.

This process should be a two-way street. Let us know what you like and don't like. Please "opt-in" to continue communications. And if needed, please update your e-mail or "opt-out" if you wish. Thank you for your support of the SAME Sacramento Post. Comments may be directed to Dave Cook, Cook Consulting, cook931@me.com.



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2019 SAME CAMP APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

Each year, SAME and a diverse range of partners host a variety of camps designed to inspire high school students to consider and pursue a career in STEM. The application process is now open for students to apply to attend the 2019 SAME Engineering & Construction Camps, which are hosted with each of the military services. Prospective campers can visit www.same.org/stemcamps for more information and to complete the online application form. The deadline to apply is March 1, 2019. The 2019 Engineering & Construction Camps dates and locations include:

DATE & LOCATION CAMP

June 9-15 Vicksburg, MS	SAME/U.S. Army Camp
June 23-29 Port Hueneme, CA	SAME/U.S. Marine Corps Camp
June 23-30 Camp Lejeune, NC	SAME/U.S. Army Camp
June 26 - July 2 Colorado Springs, CO	SAME/U.S. Air Force Academy Camp
July 15-20 Scott AFB, IL	SAME/U.S. Air Force Camp

HAVE YOU BEEN TO STARBASE YET???

More than 30 members of the Sacramento Post have spoken to the students this year. Every one of them has reported it as a very rewarding experience, even those who professed to have a fear of public speaking. From one presenter: "The students were all well-behaved and very attentive". And another presenter said "It always energizes me to be with the students; they are so interested and are full of questions".

STARBASE is a program to encourage the students to consider a career in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math). It targets fifth-graders because once they enter middle school, they will begin making choices about which classes to take, and the STARBASE program opens their eyes to some possibilities they hadn't considered. During the five days of the program they will learn a little CADD, print a 3D object, build and program a Lego robot, operate a flight simulator, and build a launch a model rocket. Our speakers spend a mere twenty minutes with them, giving them a perspective of how we apply STEM in our lives and careers. If this sounds like something you could do, now is your chance. The upcoming dates are always posted at our website. To volunteer, contact Mike Herman at mike.herman@meadhunt.com.

2018 SMALL BUSINESS CONFERENCE | NEW ORLEANS

Over a dozen members of the Sacramento Post attended the SAME Small Business Conference (SBC) in New Orleans at the end of October. SAME combined forces with the Veterans Administration (VA) National Small Business Forum, with the result that there were more than 4,500 attendees and almost 500 vendors. Attendees heard from the top levels of the Department of Defense and the VA; attended a variety of educational and round table sessions; and networked extensively with their fellow attendees. New this year was the opportunity to schedule one-on-one sessions with procurement officials from both government organizations. And of course, the opportunity to spend Halloween night in the French Quarter of this beautiful city was not to be missed. Attendees were also able to schedule a variety of local tours, including a tour of the levee improvements completed following the destruction of Hurricane Katrina. Plan now to attend next year's conference!

SAME'S ANNUAL HOLIDAY MIXER
DECEMBER 11, 2018
THE FIREHOUSE



WOW—that was fun...all the forces of holiday spirit, festivity, and joy were abound on Tuesday, December 11th—at The Firehouse in Old Sacramento.



Our Master of Ceremony, Mike Conrad, introduced our speakers, lead the Trivia game and stationary treasure hunt—and orchestrated our door prize extravaganza!



More than 100 members and guests joined in on the festivities and made this event one of our best attended.



Proceeds from this annual event—along with our other yearly events and programs—support many causes that are near and dear to SAME's goals and mission.



Our sincere thank you to all who attended and brought and shared your festive and joyful holiday spirit with us!



*Happy Holidays and New Year from
SAME Sacramento!!!!*

