

December 2006

DECEMBER Holiday Awards Luncheon

When:

THURS, December 7, 2006

Time:

11:30 am – 1:30 pm

Where:

Sheraton Denver Tech Center Hotel
I-25 and Dry Creek Exit
7007 S Clinton St
Greenwood Village, CO 80112

Price:

\$25 (SAME Members)
\$30 (Non-members)

RSVP: By Monday, December 4,
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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT – Geoffrey McKenzie

Letter from the President, Geoff McKenzie

I would like to thank **Neal Parker**, Young Member's Chair and **Jon Holbrook**, Education and Training Chair for organizing last month's meeting. Also, many thanks to **Jennifer Edwards**, a young member from Kleinfelder, for running the meeting and allowing me to be a spectator. The success of the technical workshops was due to the innovative and interesting projects presented by our guest speakers. Topics included the award-winning sustainable design and construction of the Zion National Park Visitor Center; and a number of case studies on virtual design and construction using building information modeling enhanced through 3D, 4D, and 5D modeling, including the Denver Art Museum project.

Those who attended were all enthusiastic about these exciting projects, which showed us the cutting edge of the design and construction industries. The day ended with a tour of several NREL facilities, including the Science and Technology facility, the Solar Energy Research Facility, the Photovoltaic Outdoor Test Facility, and the Thermal Test Facility.

Prior to the main meeting, the National Security Committee sponsored a training session on the roles and capabilities of the ARNG 8th Civil Support Team in the area of weapons of mass destruction. This was another interesting presentation. Those who attended all of the day's training sessions earned five professional development hours (PDHs) towards your licensing requirements! You can find the list of PDHs for all of our 2006 meetings on our website at www.same.org/denver.

As you plan your holiday celebrations for December, please include our holiday meeting on your calendar. The meeting will consist of a celebration of the many things we have accomplished this year and recognize the efforts of our members through an awards program. It will be held on **December 7th at the Sheraton Denver Tech Center Hotel**. Nominations received from Post members will be used to

select winners of the Post awards. These awards will also be used to nominate Post members for National awards. See the sidebar on this page for more information on the meeting and join us to celebrate another successful year!

At the December meeting we will also vote on the slate of officer's for next year's board. The elected officer's will be installed during our January meeting. Please help support these individuals as we embark on another exciting year for the Denver Metro Post!

We are now planning programs to start the new year, and would like to solicit your ideas for programs or other activities for the 2007. Also, if you are interested in getting involved or have ideas for how we can better serve you, please contact me at mckenziegm@cdm.com.

Finally, all of us at the Denver Metro Post wish you a wonderful holiday season!

Geoff McKenzie
President, Denver Metro Post

Holiday Awards Luncheon Scheduled for December 7

The DMP December luncheon is scheduled for December 7 at the Sheraton Denver Tech Center (Dry Creek and I-25). A special awards luncheon will honor the great 2006 events and successes to thank all the DMP volunteers that made it happen. RSVP: Cyndi_Lincicome@URSCorp.com

Small Business Holiday Luncheon Planned

The Rocky Mountain Small and Disadvantaged Business Opportunity Council (SADBOC) 2006 Annual Holiday Luncheon will be held Thursday, December 14th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the PPA Event Center, 2105 Decatur Street, Denver, CO 80211.

The Keynote Speaker is Karen Kennedy Foxworth speaking on "Contacts to Contracts: Capitalizing on Professional Relationships". The cost of the lunch is \$35.00 with reservations by December 11th. For additional information contact program co-chair Nancy Gardner at 303-384-7335. To register, go to <http://www.acteva.com/go/sadboc>

2006 SAME Pikes Peak Post General Membership Holiday Meeting on Dec 12

Buckley AFB will present the 38' Custom Mobile Emergency Operations Center (MEOC) and there will be a special performance by Harmony in Motion at the December 12 Pikes Peak Post luncheon. Everyone from the Denver Metro Post is invited.

The MEOC will be on display in the parking lot of the Clarion Hotel, 314 West Bijou in Colorado Springs starting at 10:30 am. Come early to preview this amazing command/control communications center. Guest speaker, Armando Argiz, from Buckley AFB will give a short presentation of the MEOC unit before we begin the PPP monthly meeting at noon. In addition, you'll hear an awesome performance by Ft. Carson's own Harmony in Motion. RSVP to: Cyndi_Lincicome@URSCorp.com

2007 Scholarship program in Full Swing – Due Date February 9

The Denver Metro Post is kicking off its 2007 Scholarship Program. Scholarships are open to high school seniors and college freshmen, sophomores, and juniors. Requirements and applications can be found at the SAME Denver Post website at www.same.org/Denver

Last year the Denver Metro Post awarded five scholarships worth \$1,000 each. Applications are due by February 9, 2007 and winners will be announced by March 19, 2006. Scholarship awards will be paid to the educational institution and applied to the 2007-2008 academic year.

Contact Barbara Lowry at Tetra Tech EC, Inc by telephone (303) 980-3511 or via e-mail barbara.lowry@tteci.com to obtain an application if you do not have access to the SAME website.

USACE Omaha Post Doug Plack Memorial Scholarship

The Omaha Post has established a scholarship in memory of Mr. Doug Plack, Chief of the Omaha District's Military Programs Branch, and former Chief of the District's Environmental Remediation Branch. As a committed volunteer to the Omaha Post of SAME, Doug will be missed. In honor of his exemplary support of the SAME organization, the Omaha Post has established a scholarship fund. Each year a family member of a SAME Omaha Post member will be provided a scholarship to the college/university of their choice -- with the first scholarship awards be given to Doug's children, Adam and Whitney. If you would like to contribute to this fund, please contact: OMAHA POST-S.A.M.E; PO Box 24804; OMAHA, NE 68124-0804.

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