

August 2007

## Aug 2007 Monthly Meeting Information

### Speaker:

Armando Argiz,  
NSCEC of Buckley  
Air Force Base

### Date/Time:

Thursday, Aug 16,  
2007; 11:30 am –  
1:30 pm

### Where:

Buckley AFB - Bldg  
606 Auditorium  
(see last page for  
directions and details)

### Price:

\$20-SAME Members;  
\$25-Non-members;  
\$10-Military, Gov't  
Agencies

### RSVP:

By Fri, Aug 10, 2007  
[MonteraJG@cdm.com](mailto:MonteraJG@cdm.com)

**No shows will be billed.**

## DMP President's Letter – Anita Larson

Dear SAME Members and Friends,  
Be sure to mark you calendar for our August general meeting on Thursday, August 16<sup>th</sup>. Our speaker is Armando Argiz, NSCEC of Buckley Air Force Base. The meeting will be held at Buckley so please do yourself a favor and plan to arrive at the meeting early – as much as we plan for smooth access onto the Base, it always seems to take longer than anticipated.

For those of you who missed the joint meeting with the Pike's Peak Post (PPP) at the Engineering Camp at the Air Force Academy on July 10, 2007, you missed an amazing event. Sharing the noon hour with the Camp Participants and Mentors was very rewarding – it was exciting to meet our future engineers and leaders and to share in their enthusiasm. The opportunity to listen to – and provide feedback to -- the Commander and Division Engineer of the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers Northwest Division was a rare opportunity, indeed.

A huge congratulations and thank you is in order to **John Mullans**, Denver Metro Post (DMP) Engineering Camp Representative, and **Scott Prosuch**, PPP Engineering Camp Representative and Camp Director, for another successful program (the 8<sup>th</sup> year, by the way).

Without the personal dedication and commitment of these two individuals, this camp would not happen. Watch for the article in the SAME monthly magazine – but in the meantime, if you wish to see some of the “goings on” at the camp, a video was posted on YouTube by one of the campers – the link to this video is on the [DMP website](#) (so you can look at the movie after you register for the August luncheon via [PayPal](#)). It is my understanding that additional footage will be posted over time.

As I mentioned last month, one of the activities the Board initiates this time of year, is planning for next year. If any of you are remotely thinking about increasing your participation in the Post, now is the time – it is time for us to recruit new event volunteers, committee members, committee chairs, and officers. Please let me, **Geoff McKenzie**, the Nominating Committee Chairperson, or one of the **Board members** know if you are interested in helping out or in bringing us your great ideas.

Looking forward to seeing you at our next meeting,

Anita Larson  
Denver Metro SAME Post

## IMPORTANT DATES:

**10 August** - SAME Frontier Post First Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament; F.E. Warren Air Force Base, WY;  
[Hector De La Cruz at 719-594-9699](tel:719-594-9699)

**16 August** – Denver Metro Post monthly meeting; Buckley AFB;  
[MonteraJG@cdm.com](mailto:MonteraJG@cdm.com)

**21 August** – Join SAME members at the Rockies vs Pittsburgh game;  
[ParkerNM@cdm.com](mailto:ParkerNM@cdm.com)

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## Neal Parker Selected by SAME National for Post Leader Workshop

**Neal Parker** was one of six Young Members selected nationally to be sponsored to attend the Post Leader Workshop to be held in Minneapolis, MN, this August. Neal, an employee of CDM, is the DMP's Young Member Committee Chairperson and has been instrumental to the success of the DMP Young Member program including our November Training Workshops.

The Post Leadership Workshops are held twice a year for new Post leaders. These workshops are designed to provide new Post leaders with information on best practices, and for everyone to share ideas about how to achieve the goals set forth in the SAME Strategic Plan. The SAME Education & Mentoring Fund is sponsoring the selected six Young Members to attend this workshop. Neal's registration fee, hotel room, and airfare (up to \$400) are paid for by SAME HQ. **Congratulations, Neal, and thank you for all that you do for the Post!**

## 2007 SAME/USAFA Engineering and Construction Camp

The 2007 Society of American Military Engineers/United States Air Force Academy Engineering and Construction Camp was held from 5 -11 July. This was the eight annual SAME/USAFA Engineering and Construction Camp. For SAME, the camps are jointly sponsored by the SAME Engineering and Construction (E&C) Camp Committee, the DMP and the PPP. This is one of three E&C camps sponsored by SAME. The other camps are co-sponsored by the Army at Vicksburg, MS and the Navy Seabees at Port Heuneme, CA.

The Camp mission is to provide information and encourage high school students to pursue a career in engineering.

Also the camp encourages a career in military engineering and attendance at a military academy or in the Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) at an engineering university.

As one of the two local sponsoring posts, the DMP has five camper allocations. The DMP solicits campers from area high schools and works with the Colorado Association of Black Professional Engineers and the Rocky Mountain Section of the Society of Women Engineers to enroll campers. John Coats and George Rasmussen of Pacific Western Technologies are the DMP recruitment managers.

For the eighth year, Merrick and Company sponsored the concrete beam event. Chris

Tippett, Taylor Rohde and Daniel Harrington were the Merrick instructors this year. Chris is pictured here with campers pouring their beam.



Stan Rader with the PPP coordinates

engineering office visits in Colorado Springs where the campers learn what engineers do at work. Matrix Design Group, URS Corporation, CH2M HILL, DLR Group, Merrick & Company and Kleinfelder hosted office visits. Stan is pictured here with a group of campers at the Matrix Design Group's Office.





The Air Force Academy Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering co-sponsor the camp with SAME. Major Hugh Cronin, USA and Captain Peter Crispell, USAF provided the overall leadership for the camp and led the six Air Force Academy cadet Flight Leaders in direct supervision of the camp activities. Scott Prosuch led the SAME effort as SAME Camp Director. Kurt Ubbelohde served as Chief Mentor and led a team of twelve SAME young member mentors who assisted the Flight Leaders in running the camp.

Campers were given a tour of the Air Force Academy and were also given an introductory look at six engineering laboratories at the Academy. The six labs visited were the Civil Engineering Materials Lab, the Environmental Lab, the Mechanical Engineering Lab, the Electrical and Computer Engineering Lab, the Astronautical Engineering Lab and the Aeronautical Engineering Laboratory. The picture above shows a group of campers building a shed as one of the camp events.



BG Martin is Commander and Division Engineer of the US Army Corps of Engineers, Northwestern

Division. He is pictured here speaking to the campers on 9 July.

BG Martin was also the speaker at the DMP and PPP Joint Luncheon Meeting at the camp on 10 July.

Captain Beary, the Chief of the Engineering Division (J42) of the North American Aerospace Defense Command and United States Northern Command and a Pikes Peak Post member, gave the graduation speech to the campers. He is pictured below with Major Hugh Cronin, the Camp Officer-in-Charge awarding certificates to the graduating campers.



Information on camp applications and the three SAME E&C Camps is on the [SAME website](#). Detailed information on the SAME/USAF E&C camp is available on the camp website at [www.samecoloradocamp.org](http://www.samecoloradocamp.org)

A series of videos is being prepared on the activities at this year's camp. The first of these short videos is available on [You-Tube](#).

Campers ended the week of camp by taking down the tents which had been their homes for the week and took with them a better understanding of the engineering career field and the opportunities of a military academy education.



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## Rockies vs. Pittsburgh – Join SAME members at the game

Join us at the Rockies vs. Pittsburgh Pirates game on Tuesday, August 21 at 7 pm. Ticket prices are \$15/person. Please RSVP [ParkerNM@cdm.com](mailto:ParkerNM@cdm.com) for a great night with your fellow SAME members: 720-264-1161 to speak with Neal Parker direct.

## SAVE the DATE: Sept 18 Networking Happy Hour

SAME DMP will host a networking event on Tuesday, September 18, 4:30 pm – 7:30 pm at the CH2M HILL corporate campus in Douglas County. All members and guests are welcome to attend. Plans are in the works for a great speaker, appetizers, wine and beer. Weather permitting, members will have access to the courtyard to enjoy a wonderful fall afternoon. Tours of CH2M HILL's green-built campus will be available. Contact [MonteraJG@cdm.com](mailto:MonteraJG@cdm.com) for more information.



## Directions to Buckley AFB Bldg 606 Auditorium

Aug 16 SAME DMP Monthly Meeting will be held at Buckley AFB, Bldg 606, Auditorium. Please RSVP to [MonteraJG@cdm.com](mailto:MonteraJG@cdm.com) by Friday, Aug 10 with your name, driver's license number and state of issue for a base pass.

### Directions:

Go through the 6th Avenue gate. Go south on Aspen St. until you reach A Basin Ave (past all the radomes). Turn right (West). Turn right (north) into first parking lot. This is Building 606. Enter main doors and walk either left or right. Auditorium is looked behind the wall that you see when you first enter the building.