

SEPTEMBER 2007

SEPTEMBER 2007 Monthly Meeting Information

Speaker:
Ms. Sally Corey,
Outsourcing Marketing

Date/Time:
Tuesday, Sept 18,
5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Where:
[CH2M HILL](#)
[9191 So. Jamaica St](#)
[Englewood, CO 80112](#)
(click for directions)

Price:
\$25-SAME Members; \$30-
Non-members; \$5-Military,
Gov't Agencies

RSVP:
[PayPal RSVP](#) by Fri, Sept
14, 2007. or contact
MonteraJG@cdm.com

No shows will be billed.

DMP President's Letter – Anita Larson

Dear SAME Members and Friends,

A big thank you goes out to the National Defense Committee and last month's speaker, Armando Argiz, NSCEC of Buckley Air Force Base, for an informative program. In spite of the difficulties most of us encountered getting onto the Base, over fifty members and guests were in attendance.

As the days grow shorter in length and we move into Fall, so goes the transition from our Post's Summer activities to our traditional Fall programs. However, in September, we are breaking a number of Denver Metro Post traditions – first, **we are holding our monthly meeting on a Tuesday** (September 18); secondly, **we are holding our monthly meeting in the evening**; and lastly, we are deviating from our typical meeting format. As noted in this newsletter and your email announcements, **Ms. Sally Corey of Outsourcing Marketing**, will be teaching us all – young and old – how to become better at networking. The entire evening is structured so that we can use our newly-learned skills and enjoy some social time with our business associates and friends.

Also joining us at this event will be local members of Engineers Without Borders as well as the Executive Director of Engineers Without Borders, Ms. Cathy Leslie. Be sure to take advantage of our [PayPay registration](#) on the DMP website so that you can "zip" through registration and join the fun right away.

As you will read through the rest of this newsletter, you will see that we have a great line up of events for the rest of this year. Please watch your email for further details of how to register for those events.

Hoping that you are reading this after a nice Labor Day holiday weekend,

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IMPORTANT DATES:

Tuesday, Sept 11th - SAME PPP General Membership Meeting on Housing Privatization
Peterson Officers Club, Peterson Air Force Base; RSVP to Kristi.James@parsons.com

Tuesday, Sept 18 – Fall Networking Event at CH2M HILL; 5:00 pm- 7:00 pm; RSVP through [PAYPAL](#)

Thursday, Oct 18 – SAME DMP Monthly meeting; STRATCOM briefing; More info to come

Thursday, Nov15 – SAME DMP Annual Technical Forum
(see article below)

Sept 18 Networking Happy Hour for SAME Members and Guests

SAME DMP will host a networking event on Tuesday, September 18, 5:00 pm – 7:00 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. RSVP through [PayPal](#) on the [SAME DMP website](#).

Bayji, Iraq School Supply Fundraiser

September is the month the DMP is requesting cash and school supplies donations for three deserving schools near Bayji, Iraq.

The school supplies are being collected by Major Tony Jimenez who is an Army Reservist from Lakewood currently



assigned to the US Army Corps of Engineers Gulf Regional Division. We will be collecting spiral notebooks, solar pocket calculators, soccer balls, metric rulers, book bags, backpacks, pens, pencils, markers and of course cash during the September and October luncheons. The Denver Post Board of Direction has donated \$200 in seed money plus proceeds from the September and October's raffle. Dig deep and give as much as you can. The Iraqi kids don't have much and can use all the help they can get rebuilding their lives. Please bring your checks and school supplies to the next Denver Post meeting or contact **Derek Ulehla** at **303-383-2336** or email at ulehladj@cdm.com. Your contributions are appreciated.

Neal Parker Attends SAME Leadership Conference

On August 24 and 25 Neal Parker attended the SAME National Leadership Workshop in Minneapolis, MN. This workshop gave Presidents

and Board members from many of the SAME posts throughout the country a chance to network and see what has worked and lessons learned from their colleagues. The workshop was led by Executive Director Dr. Robert Wolff and attended on the first morning by SAME National President Major General Eulberg. SAME National provided an overview of all the SAME Programs and what the organizations goals and strategies are for the future. One of the most effective portions of the workshop was when participants shared their ideas on what has ideas they have implemented at their Posts that have been successful (or not). Upon completion of the workshop, participants returned to their posts armed with new information and renewed commitments to SAME's mission and goals. Send **Neal** your comments: ParkerNM@cdm.com

DMP Annual Technical Forum Scheduled for Nov 15

The second annual SAME DMP Technical Forum will be held at the Holiday Inn located at I-70 and Chambers on 15 November 2007. It is expected to be a huge success as it is packed with several exciting technical sessions, followed by a tour of a very innovative construction project in Aurora. Here is a general rundown of the planned activities:

Homeland Security Session

The Forum will kick off with a one-hour segment focused on Homeland Security. We are finalizing commitments from three to four panelists who will be available to discuss and present their views on a number of homeland security issues including: corporate disaster preparedness, the Incident Command System, Colorado's Critical Infrastructure Protection, securing and protecting Federal offices, and/or the role of the ARNG 8th Civil Support Team. There will be breakfast snacks, coffee, juice, and water available during this morning session.

Global Warming Session

Next will be a segment titled "Future Look at Global Warming" that focuses on our environment. Our speaker, David Wegner, is an environmental scientist who worked for Secretary of Interior Bruce Babbitt, and more recently has been a guest speaker on the Al Gore "Inconvenient Truth" tour regarding the effects of Global Warming. Dave plans to share with us his views on many of the environmental issues facing us both now and in the foreseeable future.

Design-Build Lunch Session

The following segment will be presented over the lunch hour, provided by the Holiday Inn. This session will cover Design-Build, with specific focus on the new way of conducting business by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Bert Matya, project manager for the Omaha District USACE, has offered to share with us why the USACE has gone to the design-build contracting vehicle on many of its recent procurements, pointing out both the pros and cons of this new way of doing business. Along with Bert, the Mortenson Company design-build team that was successful in winning both the Company Operations Facilities and Tactical Equipment Maintenance Facilities design-build contracts, will discuss the contractor's perspective on design-build, followed by a question and answer discussion.

Sustainability discussion and tour of Wal Mart's Green Building in Aurora

During the final segment of the November technical session, Mr. Bill Wertz, Environmental Public Affairs with Wal-Mart, will be giving a 30-minute overview of the direction Wal-Mart is moving with its environmental sustainability initiatives. Mr. Wertz will be discussing Wal-Mart's long-term strategy and providing concrete examples, including their development of experimental stores to test innovative environmental approaches for store construction and operation. Upon completion of Mr. Wertz's presentation, attendees will reconvene at the Wal-Mart experimental store located on Tower Road in Aurora for an hour-long tour of the facility. This tour will highlight many of the environmental design elements Wal-Mart has incorporated into this prototype store. To RSVP/comment on the November Technical Forum contact **Jeff Montera** at MonteraJG@cdm.com.

Post 2007 Award Nominations

The Relationships and Recognition Committee is seeking nominations for 2007 Post Awards.

Mount Elbert Award – the highest outstanding leadership and accomplishments in support of the Society/Post over the entire period of ones membership.

Grays Peak & Torreys Peak Award - Individuals who have made a significant contribution within the Region or local Post in the past year or longer (Grays) AND/OR outstanding leadership and accomplishment in support of the Society's strategic plan during the President's year of office (Torreys).

Longs Peak Award – Outstanding leadership and accomplishment in support of the Society Mission over ones entire period of membership in the Society.

Mount Evans Award– An award for someone who has done something significant during the year.

SAME National Awards - In addition to local Post awards, the Society bestows numerous metals and awards. Your recommendations of Post members worthy of consideration for any of these awards are also appreciated. Please view the full listing on the [SAME DMP website](#) and contact George Rasmussen at 303-274-5400, ext. 28, email grasmussen@pwt.com with your recommendations.

Young Members Tour Cheyenne Mountain Air Station

On Thursday August 2nd, the DMP Young Members joined forces with Pikes Peak Post for a rarely seen behind the scenes tour of Cheyenne Mountain Air Station.

The tour, organized by Captain Hugh Cronin (YM Chair Pikes Peak Post) was led by the Chief Civil Engineer for NORAD. After being screened through tight security, tour participants were taken 7/8 of a mile into the mountain via bus and then taken on a walking tour through the "life-support facilities" that support NORAD's command center. Entering the facility through two 25 ton swinging metal doors immediately gave a sense of the level of security provided by the mountain. Highlights of the tour included getting to see the enormous air handling units that supply fresh air throughout the facility, water reservoir basins for fresh water supply, and pump and electrical systems that support the facility. The tour was followed by a happy hour at the Phantom Canyon Brewery in downtown Colorado Springs. For additional information on Young Member events contact **Neal Parker** at ParkerNM@cdm.com

SAME Members Enjoy Rockies Game

On Tuesday August 21st, the Young Members hosted a Rockies game open to all Post members. The SAME team gathered at the Rockies stadium to watch the Rockies beat the Pirates 9 to 2. The game gave members a chance to network and enjoy a summer evening baseball game with families and friends. We hope this can become a yearly tradition for the Denver Metro Post members! To attend events please make sure

you're on our distribution list by contacting **Loretta Davis** at Loretta.Davis@ch2m.com

SAME members invited to Critical Infrastructure Protection Conference

SAME members are invited to participate in a regional conference on critical infrastructure protection October 19, 2007, 8:00am-4:00pm at Johnson & Wales University. The cost is free.

Participants include public and private infrastructure (operations, management, and security), emergency management, emergency response, and infrastructure support agencies.

Contact Charles Craig, NCR Critical Infrastructure Protection Analyst, (303) 768-8728, ccraig@co.arapahoe.co.us or register at Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment's CO-Train web site. Set up an account immediately and sign up for Conference at <https://www.co.train.org/DesktopShell.aspx> look under Upcoming Events or type in Course ID #1009940. Conference partners include North Central Region, Denver Area Urban Area Security Initiative, Denver InfraGard Members Alliance, and Colorado Office of Preparedness and Security.

Graduate Certificate in Homeland Defense and Security offered by University of Denver

The Army National Guard, the Naval Postgraduate School, and the University of Denver have teamed to develop a master's level Certificate in Homeland Defense and Security. The overarching objective of this program is to provide National Guard and other homeland security professionals with the in-depth knowledge required to conduct their critical roles supporting local, state, and federal level missions. The program consists of four courses taught using a combination of weekend classes and distance learning. In addition to gaining homeland security knowledge and strengthening relationships, the credit obtained in this program can be applied toward a master's degree at DU! For course content information, contact Greg Moser at gmoser@du.edu or at (303) 871-3348

Info Needed for Company Highlights

Please add the SAME DMP to your company's distribution list for award, promotion, and news announcements. We have an e-distribution list of more than 400 leaders and partners in the

community and we want to hear about your events and happenings! Contact Loretta.Davis@ch2m.com for more information or FAX news articles to 720.286.9104 for distribution.



AMEC awarded Air Force Academy Projects

AMEC Earth & Environmental, with offices in Denver, Colorado Springs and around the world, has been selected for two major project management awards at the U.S. Air Force Academy. The projects involve the installation of a new fire sprinkler system in the three-level, 399,000-square-foot Academic Building and the renovation and modernization of the hospitality suites portion of Falcon Inn.

"These awards are a direct result of our solid relations with the Air Force, based locally on the successful completion of three other projects at the Academy in the past three years, as well as renovation projects at nearby Peterson Air Force Base," said Glen Robinson, an AMEC project and construction site manager.

Congratulations to ECC's Debby Locklair

Debby has been a key member of the ECC San Antonio Client Service/Business Development Team since early 2005. She was particularly focused on AFCEE support, and developing Special Operations and Pacific Rim opportunities. Having expressed an interest in more directly applying her technical skills, she was offered a position within ECC's Science & Engineering uniquely suited to her background, as Senior Civil Engineer for Geographic Information Systems (GIS), Building Information Modeling (BIM), and other emerging spatial data-intensive services. ECC welcomes Debbie's talents and enthusiasm for this new role.

USACE awards ECC two important contracts

The USACE Afghanistan Engineering District has awarded ECC one of 5 IDIQ awards for general construction and construction related requirements throughout Afghanistan. The contract allows for repairs and the execution of design-build construction projects. The Joint Total Acquisition Value is \$600 million per year (to be competed for between the 5 awardees), with each individual

project expected to be between \$5 and \$25 million. This contract has a one year base period of performance and two one year options for a total of three years. Thus, the total joint acquisition value for all awardees, for the full three year period, would be \$1.8 billion.

In addition to the Afghanistan award, ECC landed a \$4.7 million contract from the USACE for the remediation of the Middlesex Sampling site in New Jersey. The contract was originally awarded as a fixed price contract and with this modification was converted to a fixed unit rate contract. The increased funds are to cover additional T&D of radiological waste, uranium sampling, soils exceeding WAC, and for T&D of ammunition found at the site. This brings the total amount funded for this project to \$14.3 million. For more information about these contracts call **Patrick Scher** at 303.590.1145; Pscher@ecc.net

AMEC honored at Space Command ribbon cutting

AMEC Earth & Environmental and AMEC's project lead, Hector De La Cruz, were honored during the ribbon-cutting ceremony for a newly upgraded building at Peterson Air Force Base. The building, rededicated after the late Maj. Gen. Uzal Ent, was upgraded to house a second headquarters for the Air Force Space Command. Under AMEC's management, the project included critical communications and power upgrades; servicing of heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems, and the installation of a new proximity security access system. The facility also received a much-needed facelift with new carpeting, painting, ceiling tiles and art work. Others on hand for the ceremony included Lt. Gen. Frank Klotz, Brig. Gen. John Hyten, Brig Gen. Jack Weinsten, Col. Jay Raymond, Col. Theresa Katein, and Capt. Steven Sharkey. Those joining De La Cruz as ribbon holders were Mariann Schofield and Sgts. Dennis Robinson and Tina Doherty.

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