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## Upcoming General Membership Meetings

### June Meeting

Please join the Greater Kansas City Post at our June meeting as we install our new President, Colonel Donald R. Curtis Jr., Commander USACE Kansas City District, and the new Board and Directors for 2002-2003. In addition, we will be recognizing our 17 scholarship winners and their families. This year our Post awarded \$20,000 in college scholarships!

Date: June 27, 2002

Time: 11:30 – 12:00: Social/Registration • 12:00 - Lunch • Program to follow

Place: Cascone's, 3733 North Oak, Kansas City, MO

Cost: \$13.00

RSVP: Michele Mahoney by 6/24/02. Fx: 816/472-4086; Ph: 816/527-2348; [mmahoney@hntb.com](mailto:mmahoney@hntb.com)

### July Meeting

LTC Gary Heer is currently planning our July meeting and is hoping to schedule a technical field trip to the restored Liberty Memorial. Please watch for an upcoming announcement

and monitor our Post's website for details regarding this field trip. This field trip will be of great interest with respect to the engineering involved in completing the structural repair work to America's only memorial to our soldiers who gave their lives for freedom in WWI.

*Liberty Memorial  
Kansas City*



## KU Student Post Followup

No meetings are planned over the Summer 2002 break. KU Student Post activities will reconvene in September 2002. **Congratulations to the KU Student Post on being named a 2002 Distinguished Student Post!**

## SAME Young Members

Many thanks to all of the organizations that helped support the SAME Young Members group by sponsoring a miniature golf hole at the SAME National Conference. The event was a huge success and helped us raise money for the scholarship fund and young members operations. The Young Members group will be meeting soon to establish a calendar of events for the remainder of the year. They will also be discussing strategies for increasing membership and participation in the group. See the post web site for future updates or contact Tom Poer via e-mail for information ([tpoer@hntb.com](mailto:tpoer@hntb.com)).

## Message from the President. . .

I am honored to serve as President of the Greater Kansas City Post of the Society of American Military Engineers for this year. My thanks to all of you for your support and confidence and I assure you I won't take my responsibilities lightly. I believe SAME is a fantastic organization and I'm thrilled to join the Kansas City team. Having just witnessed the power of partnership within our Post in hosting a superb national conference, I'm anxious to get started.



On a personal note, my relationship with SAME started when my first Company Commander told our platoon leaders we were going to the officers' club for lunch and join a military engineering society – no debates! I'm glad he did because the presenter was from the Baltimore District, USACE and it stimulated an interest in the engineering profession that has stayed with me to this day. Though not a total stranger to many of you, I thought I'd share a little background information. About a year ago, I assumed duty as the Commander of the Kansas City District, USACE. Before coming to Kansas City, I worked in Headquarters, USACE and prior to that, I served on the Army Staff in the Pentagon. My early background is fairly typical for an Army engineer officer with troop assignments in CONUS, Korea, and Germany. My first USACE assignment was in the Kansas City District, as a captain, which prepared me to command the Walla Walla District a few years later. My wife, Susan, and daughters, Ashley and Leslie, are happy to return to the area and we've settled in Lenexa.

I'd like to congratulate our Immediate Past Post President and Deputy District Commander, LTC Gary Heer, for a job well done. The many accomplishments of the Post under his capable leadership make him one tough act to follow. I'd also like to thank last year's officers for their contributions in sponsoring the Partnership 2001 Industry Day and Small Business Training Conference, the 2001 SAME National Training/Education Conference & Expo, and all of the wonderful monthly programs held throughout the year. Together, our Post demonstrated a commitment to engineering excellence and showcased our collective talents.

The beat goes on! In August, we'll build on the foundation established during Partnership 2001, helping our friends in St. Louis with their Small Business Conference. In October, we'll participate in the 2002 Missouri River Region Training Conference at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. In the meantime, we are working on a series of enjoyable, educational monthly presentations and field trips.

Finally, I want to express my personal thanks to everyone who agreed to serve as this year's Post Officers, Board of Directors, and Committee Chairs. We can't be successful without your continued dedication and professional support. I look forward to serving with all of you this year. **PROUD HERITAGE, PROMISING FUTURE!**

**Don Curtis, COL, Post President**

[Donald.R.Curtis.COL@nwk02.usace.army.mil](mailto:Donald.R.Curtis.COL@nwk02.usace.army.mil)

## Treasurer's Report

Following is a summary of the Post's funds and account statuses for the period of April 30 through June 4, 2002.

### Operating Fund:

\$2,289.18 UMB

Net Change = \$ 621.88

### Merrill Lynch Fund: (Scholarship & Future Operating Fund)

\$44,873.92 Principal

\$31,999.00 Accrued Earnings (Cash)

\$76,872.92

## KC SAME Post 2002

### Remaining Meetings Dates

June 27

August 22

November 28

July 25

September 26

December 19

October 24

### **Please Help Us Maintain the Post Database**

Please submit any changes in your address information to Bill Koski at [koskiwa@cdm.com](mailto:koskiwa@cdm.com) to help us maintain current membership information. You can also update your contact information via the Post website at [www.same.org/kansascity/](http://www.same.org/kansascity/)

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#### **Aug/Sept Issue Deadline for Submittals: August 8, 2002**

*This newsletter is issued every other month. We invite you to submit project writeups, members in the news, and job opportunities to Phil Dula (see information above) or Lori Hintz (ph: 651/291-3436 or [lorih@baywest.com](mailto:lorih@baywest.com)).*

Please submit any changes in your address information to David Smalling, [dsmalling@hntb.com](mailto:dsmalling@hntb.com), to help us maintain current membership information. You can also update your contact information via the Post website at [www.same.org/kansascity/](http://www.same.org/kansascity/)

# May 2002 SAME National Followup

by Phil Dula, Bay West, Inc.



**WOW!** What an outstanding SAME National Conference! The feedback I have received has been extremely positive, with many individuals informing me that it was truly one of the finest conferences they have attended in recent years--this is compared to all conferences not just SAME events!

Many of the compliments I received on behalf of our Post related to planning and organization. Most notably was the perceived seamless transition from event to event and program to program. From conference registration on May 20 through the final evening sing-a-long on May 23, the feedback from attendees was of delight. Events receiving particular kudos were the Golf Event, Icebreaker, Conference Opening General Session, Spouse Tours, and the well-presented Technical Sessions.

The introductory video presented at the Opening Session, that has become known as the 'Heroes' Tape,' was emotionally charged and had those in attendance both teary-eyed and bursting with pride to be an American. The tape reminded us of the great country we live in and the important struggle we now face. Due to numerous requests for copies of the tape, it will be available sometime in the next few weeks at our Post web page—[www.same.org/kansascity/](http://www.same.org/kansascity/).

We were fortunate to have been selected several years ago by SAME Headquarters to host the 2002 National Conference and showcase Kansas City. We were even more fortunate to have been blessed with so many outstanding Greater Kansas City Post members who took on the responsibility of leading and organizing this grand event. Special thanks go to the following list of people. There were numerous additional SAME members who volunteered to support the conference and I apologize for not being able to list everyone. Thanks to all of you. This event would not have been such a success without the Post's collective efforts.

#### Conference Co-Chairs

Colonel Donald Curtis, USACE Kansas City  
Rick Cunningham, HDR  
Larry L. Myers, USACE Kansas City

#### Conference Project Manager

Debby Bounds, ASE Group, Inc.

#### Sustaining Members & Exhibits

Terry Flanagan, HNTB Corporation  
Juan Uribe, HNTB Corporation  
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Mike Sigler, ASE Group, Inc.

#### Protocol

LTC Gary Heer, USACE Kansas City  
MAJ David Kaczmarck, USACE Kansas City  
MAJ Karlus Cozart, USACE Omaha

#### Small Business Forum

Tapan Banarjee, TapanAm Associates  
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Julie Flanagan, HNTB Spouse  
Margie Skach, URS Corp. Spouse

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#### Advisor

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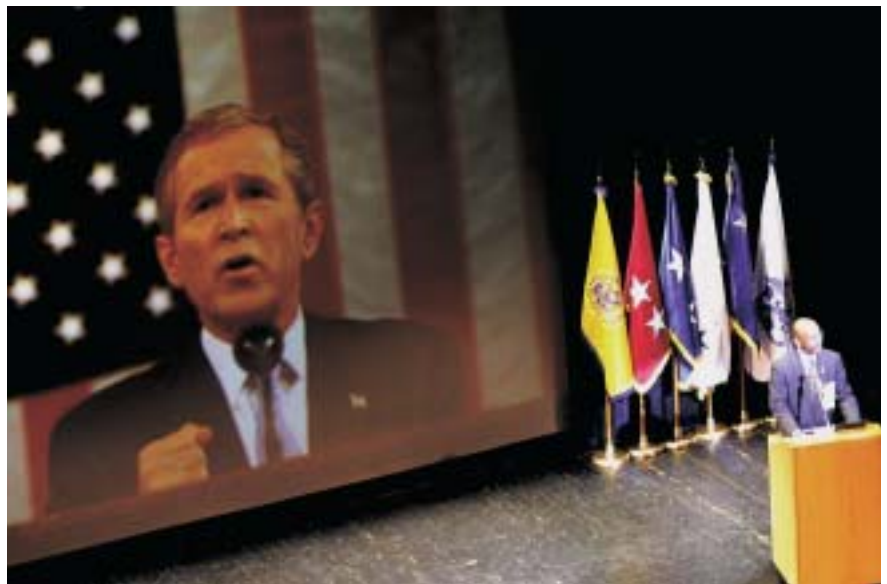
#### City Planning

Peggy Barker, KC CVB

#### Golf

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Bill Singleton, Burns & McDonnell  
Ken Harris, Cape Environmental  
Tom Graff, USACE Kansas City  
Ted Turney, City of KCMO Water Dept  
Bryant Kroutch, Arrowhead Contracting  
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*Opening  
Session*



# Ice Breaker. . .



Gates Barbecue firing up their specialty at the Union Station Ice Breaker



That's Good KC Barbecue



Ice Breaker Entertainment "Give Me That Good Time Rock N' Roll!"



Entertainers at the Ice Breaker



Inside activities at Union Station

# Ribbon Cutting Ceremony. . .



Larry Myers KC Post Fellow and SAME National Conference Co-chair with Major General Earnest Robbins III, General Robert Flowers, and Rear Admiral Michael Johnson.



SAME National President Roger Wozny, Rear Admiral Michael Johnson, and Rear Admiral Ronald Silva.

Rear Admiral Robert Williams, Rick Cunningham, Major General (Ret.) Pat Stevens IV, and KC SAME Post President Colonel Gary Heer



# Society Ball & Honors Banquet. . .



General Robert Flowers and SAME National Conference Co-chairs Larry Myers, Colonel Donald Curtis, and Rick Cunningham



Larry Woscyna  
Bay West, Inc.  
(middle)  
Recipient of the  
Toulmon Medal



General Flowers and  
his wife Lynda



Colonel Donald Curtis and his wife Susan



A lighter moment at the Society Ball. "Who said the conference went to the dogs."

# General Session & Luncheons. . .

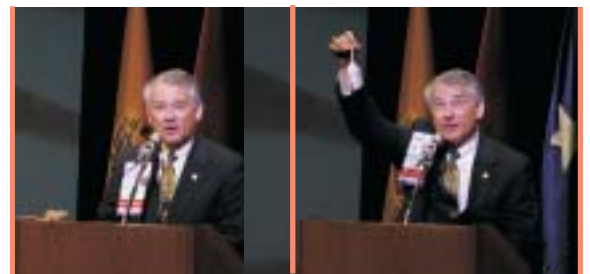


Mayor Kay Barns,  
Kansas City, MO with  
Welcome Remarks to  
Attendees.



Key Note speaker Mayer Nudell ad-  
dressing Homeland Security.

Colonel Gary  
Heer SAME  
KC Post  
President



Roger Wozny SAME National President  
welcoming remarks. An SAME prankster left  
this toy mouse for Roger as a reminder of our  
uninvited guest during the 2001 SB Conference.

# Fun Run and Trade Floor Activities. . .



Colonel Donald Curtis, USACE KC District Commander (right), "Those 4 Minute Miles Killed Me."



Our fitness conscious SAME members line up to start the Fun Run.



THERE OFF!



General Robert Flowers Leading the Army Down the Home Stretch.



Jeanne LeBrone, HDR (standing), Ready to go another... 10K.



HNTB's Golf Challenge.

Activities at Test America's booth



## On Station in the Everglades

by Steve Whitfield

*(Steve is a Resident Representative for Burns & McDonnell on a project to restore the Florida Everglades, and transferred from Burns & McDonnell's Kansas City Office to Florida. As a former Kansas City Post President and active Board member, Steve has been keeping us updated on his new endeavors.)*



It is June here in South Florida and the start of the rainy season. Mornings are sunny and clear but by noontime, big clouds build that usually presage afternoon thundershowers. Then the sun will reappear beneath the clouds as it sets in the west. The rains are welcome as things were getting pretty dry. Much progress has occurred on the individual construction projects, pump stations, and bridges, although the earthworks remain behind schedule as the new owners, who bought out our bankrupt earthwork prime, struggle to catch up.

A recent adventure requires that I digress. One of our Contract project manager's hobbies for the last 10 years has been giant Tarpon fishing. He talked it up pretty well so several of us decided to give it a try. We booked a 2-day trip with a professional captain/guide to fish Boca Grande Pass on the West Coast of Florida, below Fort Myers. Three of us drove out on a Sunday night and checked into a reasonably affordable motel. Up early, we found breakfast and headed for the pier, where we would meet our captain. It was a typically beautiful April morning in South Florida: gorgeous sunrise, temperature about 75 degrees and light breezes. The small size of the boat surprised me. Only 25 feet long; open hull with a small control pedestal for the captain including a tiny shade cover for him. Fish and ice-boxes in the boat were all loose and moved around as the light chop bounced the boat as we headed for the pass. First order of business was instructions—on how to fish (completely opposite everything you were ever taught about fishing) and the crew drill in case a fish accidentally leaped into the boat. This was very important as it frequently happens, and a 7-foot fish in a small boat can do a lot of damage to one's body. By the way, what you are supposed to do, is attempt to get out of the way, and up to the higher front end of the boat. The hull is designed to work a thrashing fish toward the stern, where the captain can get it overboard.

Giant Tarpon (the record in the pass is 235 pounds) are surviving prehistoric fish that travel the globe. Fish tagged in Florida have been re-caught in South Africa and Australia. One of the places they return to for spawning is Boca Grand Pass. As many as 100,000 of these giants will be in the Pass from April until July. They are covered with large

silver scales and not good for eating. Tarpon are fished for sport only and released if brought to the boat. As we headed, out we occasionally saw these giants jumping completely out of the water, often somersaulting. Occasionally a school would roll over at the surface and send mirror like silvery flashes in every direction.

Another drill was also very important. This included what everyone had to do, very quickly, as soon as anyone got a fish on. When a fish was hooked, everyone else had to simultaneously get their line reeled in, all rods into the rod holders, move clockwise in the narrow space around the boat so that the lucky person with the fish on could get to the front of the boat; get the fighting chair mounted and the rod butt into the swivel on the front of the chair, and, most importantly, not infringe on the captain's space, as he would be trying mightily to keep the boat above the fish. It was also sort of important not to fall overboard (which would have been very easy to do) as the Tarpon attract very large Hammerhead and Bull Sharks looking for an easy meal.

The lure used is most unusual. A ring-shaped hook is attached to a special 'Bahamas knot,' that only the captain knows how to tie. This knot is essential since it allows nearly 18 inches of shock-absorbing leader, made from the 60-pound test line. Without the ability to take that much shock, every one of these very large fish would immediately



break the line. How the hook works is a mystery since it appears to be completely closed by its ring shape. A 4-ounce, round, lead ball, painted red, is attached to the bottom of the hook. Stuck on one side of the lead ball is a small green plastic, fish appearing tail. When the fish is hooked, it usually comes to the surface right away and jumps, attempting to throw off the lure. They shake their heads violently back and forth while

several feet above the water surface. If the fisherman fails to relieve tension on the line at that point, the line is broken and the fish escapes. If the fish is still on, it will normally sound the bottom, taking as much line as it wants. The rod, a 40-lb test rod that would take the strength of Hercules to bend, is incredibly turned into a near circle by the pull of the fish. Drag is set for 8 to 9 pounds.

On our first day, one of the guys caught a very large Bat Ray and another hooked a Tarpon that immediately jumped and threw off the jig. So, we got a lot of sun and saw some of the other boats catch Tarpon but we did not get one.

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## Dispatch from the Glades

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On the morning of the second day, the Captain gave us a dressing down for not following his instructions on how to fish the day before. He went over the plan again and we each vowed to do it right today. When we got to the Pass and started to fish, I said a little prayer to myself. I was having painful back problems and asked that, if I was going to catch one of these monsters, that it be soon, while I still had some strength, and before my back gave out completely. I no sooner said that to myself than I had a fish on! Somehow got through the chaos drill and seated in the fighting chair. The fish surfaced at the side of the boat and rolled one eye toward us before diving into the deep while line smoked off the reel. The captain announced, "That fish weighs 160 pounds." I horsed that female for nearly 40 minutes until it was obvious that we were going to intercept another boat with a fish on. The other captain did not know where the line for his fish was and we crossed. My line parted and the fish said goodbye by leaping about 10 feet out of the water. This was OK by me as I had had my excitement and still was having back problems. I was prepared to ride along and watch the other guys bend their backs. Because my line had parted, the captain gave me his rod to use while he re-rigged mine. I released the drag and let the jig sink toward the bottom.

It never got there. A pod of big Tarpon rolled in front of the boat and I immediately had another fish on. Drill time again; chaos reigned trying to get to the chair, etc., etc. In the cha at last when the fish surfaced and leaped in front of the bo a It was huge! The Captain announced, "That fish is over 2 pounds!" She dragged us up and down the Pass, at will, fo half an hour. The other guys only watched, took pictures, a announced how much time had elapsed. Suddenly the capt a announced "She's headed for the old barge terminal. If you can't turn her we'll lose her." Turn her? Was he nut The Battleship Missouri wouldn't have turned that fish. She dragged us over to where she knew there was an old underwater cable then calmly dove under it, came up on the other side and leaped into the air breaking the line. What a sight; a giant, over 7 feet long with a huge girth; all that brilliant shining silver. But what a thrill! I was ready for a break.

So I have a new hobby, giant Tarpon fishing. Can't wait til next year to do it again. I caught another fish that day, about 80 pounds, a male. To all of my friends in Kansas City, if you ever get a chance to fish for giant Tarpon, do not miss it. In spite of racking my brains, the only excitement I can recall that ever came close to having one of these fish on the other end of a line was landing after that first parachute jump and realizing that I was still alive.

More to follow. . .



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## 2002 SAME Scholarship Program

*Patrick Carr, Scholarship Chairman*

Since the first of the year, under the direction of David Smalling, HNTB, the scholarship committee has been preparing a program to award this year's scholarships.

The applications required a 500-word essay answering the following questions

1. What are your educational and career plans?
2. How have you contributed to your community?
3. Describe an accomplishment of which you are proud.
4. How do you envision making your world—your community, city, etc.-a better place?
5. Why are you applying for this scholarship?

The participation was excellent with 18 applications received from the general membership and KU post students. Scott Siegwald, Ted Turney, and Mike Katzman made up the selection committee. The applications were anonymously reviewed.

All are deserving and the board accepted the scholarship committees recommendation to award \$20,000! Income produced by investments generates the money used for the scholarships. The income over the past several years exceeded the amount awarded allowing the flexibility for the board to increase the amount of the scholarships. The awards will be presented at our June Luncheon meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup> at Cascone's on North Oak.

The program was very successful and will be used again next year with minor changes. If you are interested in working on the committee, please contact Pat Carr. The process receiving and reviewing the awards has been very rewarding to those serving on the committee!

### Scholarship Recipients

#### College Students

Elizabeth D. Altman, KS State  
Janet Bader, Georgia  
Tracy Cunningham, Kansas  
Shannon Flanagan, Santa Clara  
Jaime Goring, Central MO State  
Marlene Goring, Graceland

Cindy Horne, Georgia Southern  
Kaelen Katzman, JCCC  
Larry L. Myers, II, Iowa State  
Joseph W. Skach, Kansas State  
Garrett Wilson, JCCC

#### Graduating High School Students

Ashley Jane Curtis, Shawnee Mission W  
Colleen Hartsig, St. Thomas Aquinas  
Ruthann Rotert, Liberty

#### KU Student Post

Andrew Keener  
Sean McKee  
Ryan Willette

## 2002 Kansas City SAME Post Election Results

The Greater Kansas City Post of the Society of American Military Engineers, is pleased to announce our newly elected officers and Directors for the 2002 –2003 term period. Thanks and congratulations to:

- President: COL Donald L. Curtis, Comdr USACE KC
- Vice President: Juan Uribe, HNTB Corporation
- Director (3 yrs): Tom Poer, HNTB Corporation
- Director (3 yrs): Gerald Adams, Envirobate Global Inc.
- Director (3 yrs): Bryant Kroutch, Arrowhead Contracting

Our returning Officers/Directors through May 2004 are:

- Immediate Past President: LTC Gary Heer, USACE KC
- Director: Connie Cook, EMR, Inc.
- Director: William Singleton, Burns&McDonnell Eng. Co.
- Director: Arl Altman, Pangea Inc.

Our returning Officers/Directors through May 2003 are:

- Treasurer: Cliff Cate, Wade & Associates
- Secretary: Frank Bader, URS Corporation
- Past President: Bob Skach, URS Corporation
- Director: Vernon Reid, Black & Veatch, Inc.
- Director: Phil Dula, Bay West, Inc.
- Director: Bill Zaner, USACE KC

Thank you to this years nominating committee, Chair: Tom Kirkwood, Members: Terry Flanagan, Larry Myers, and Vernon Reid for their hard work in directing and overseeing the election process.

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## Member News

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### Stanley Consultants Performs Canal Study

The USACE, Jacksonville District is constructing a water control structure, S-155A, in the C-51 Canal right-of-way. S-155A is part of the C-51 West Flood Control/Stormwater Treatment Area 1 East Project and will act as drainage divide structure. The C-51 basin is located in Palm Beach County and extends from the edge of Water Conservation Area 1 on the west to Lake Worth on the east near the southerly limits of the city of West Palm Beach.

The C-51 Canal Study, performed by Stanley Consultants, Inc., examined the effects of raising the control elevation on specific existing drainage outfalls, control structures, and septic systems along the canal. Included in the study were the drainage systems for a shopping center and car dealership, home septic systems in a residential area, and the effect on the water levels of several tributary canals. The western C-51 plan calls for raising the control elevation in the canal west of S-155A to conserve water resources by preventing over drainage in adjacent areas. These elevations are higher than the current control elevation. The West Palm Beach Canal (C-51) is a component of the Central and Southern Florida (C&SF) Flood Control Project. The CNSF project encompasses all or parts of 16 counties and over 18,000 square miles of the central and southern portion of the state.

Stanley Consultants, Inc., a Stanley Group Company, provides engineering, environmental, and construction services worldwide. In addition to the West Palm Beach office, Stanley Consultants maintains offices in Austin, Texas; Chicago, Illinois, Denver, Colorado; Des Moines, Iowa; Iowa City, Iowa; Jacksonville, Florida; Las Vegas, Nevada; Minneapolis, Minnesota; Muscatine, Iowa; Phoenix, Arizona; and Salt Lake City, Utah, as well as select international locations. Since 1913, The Stanley Group has successfully completed more than 19,000 engagements in all 50 states and in 85 countries.

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## Post Notes

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### Advertise in the Newsletter. . .

*by Phil Dula, Editor*

As Editor of our Newsletter I would like to thank **Bay West, Pangea, and HDR** for kicking off our first advertising section of our Newsletter. Their support is greatly appreciated as the advertising fee of \$30 per issue is used to support our web page development, meeting announcement mailing costs, and supplement our scholarship fund. We still have available advertising space for upcoming issues so please show your support and sign up for the August/September issue. Your business card type advertisement could be included at nominal cost of \$30 per issue or at a discounted price of \$150 for 6 issues.

### Career Opportunities

Did you know that our sustaining member firms are linked to our Post web page? By accessing these company links you can search for personnel resource needs at these firms. In addition Federal job openings can be searched at the following sites: [www.usajobs.opm.gov](http://www.usajobs.opm.gov) and [www.kchasjobs.com](http://www.kchasjobs.com). These openings include opportunities at the USACE, EPA, GSA, etc. In addition we request that our member firms utilize our Post's Newsletter to list their current employment opportunities. Please contact Phil Dula to have your career opportunities included in the newsletter.

## 2002 Missouri River Regional Training Conference

*“Responding to New Challenges in National Defense”*

**Ft. Leonard Wood, MO • October 15-17, 2002**

The Missouri Region Districts and SAME invite you to attend the 2002 Missouri River Regional Training Conference, October 15-17, 2002. The theme for this year's symposium is “Missouri Region—Responding to New Challenges in National Defense.” The objective of the training conference is to provide a regional forum for the presentation and exchange of ideas and potential solutions to military engineering challenges related to meeting the needs of our Nation's defense. We will look across service boundaries and open channels to academia, the private sector and non-DoD government agencies with proven solutions to engineering problems. For conference details please visit [www.same.org/leonardwood/](http://www.same.org/leonardwood/).

# Partnership 2002 Industry Day Small Business Training Conference

*“Gateway to Opportunities”*

August 27-29 \* St. Louis, MO

Do not miss this one! The USACE Rock Island, Kansas City, and St. Louis Districts and the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME) – St. Louis Post invites you to attend the “Partnership 2002 Industry Day and Small Business Training Conference” from August 27-29, 2002. The event will be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel (Union Station) in St. Louis, Missouri.

The theme for this year’s symposium is “Gateway to Opportunities”. By bringing together leaders government, public and private sectors we hope to provide three days of training dedicated to business networking and partnership opportunities. With this goal in mind we hope to promote relationships between large and small businesses that foster best practices and strengthen America’s commitment to support the business community.

We sincerely hope that you join us to make this a most successful conference. For registration details, conference schedule etc. visit [www.same.org/stlouis/](http://www.same.org/stlouis/)



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