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## MU HOSTS POTENTIAL ENGINEERING STUDENTS

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Exploring Engineering:  
Academy of Excellence    2011



Students with an interest in engineering have gathered at Marshall University for the 11th annual Exploring Engineering: Academy of Excellence. Thirty-four students from six states and 24 high schools stayed through Friday, July 1, for a week-long, hands-on camp. Participants were instructed by professors from Marshall University's College of Information Technology and Engineering, and were housed in the Marshall Commons residence halls. Teamwork was the theme for this year's camp, which includes lessons on GPS, surveying, robotics, concrete testing and more, as well as field trips to the Buffalo, W.Va., Toyota plant, and to the West Virginia Exhibition Coal Mine. The event kicked off Sunday with a presentation by Jerry Casto, an engineer from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, who talked about the impact of engineering projects such as the Greenup Locks and Dam, and about his recent engineering experiences in Afghanistan.

The 2011 camp participants include:

Bruce Swiney of St. Albans, W.Va.; Austin Hammond of Tornado, W.Va.; Brendan Mullins, David Holstine, Ann Larsen and Brittny Lowers of Charleston; Lee Klocke of Cross Lanes; Peyton Smith of Falling Waters, W.Va.; Cody Legge of Culloden; Vivian Yau and Patrick Thomas of Hurricane; Jacob Houdyschell of Kenova; Jacob Parsons of Milton; Chase Nicholson of Point Pleasant; Jessica Hensely of Wayne; Luke Browning, Michael DeRosa, Jacob Maynard, Kevin Dillon, Anthony Reynolds and Jesse Gorecki of Huntington; Max Pinion of Morgantown; Brenton Wyne of Fairmont, W.Va.; Jenna Hamlin of Peachtree City, Ga.; Madeline Glasheen of Plantation, Fla.; Shawn Effingham of LaGrange, Ky.; Taylor Toberg of Catlettsburg, Ky.; Charles Sexton and Ryann Conley of Grayson, Ky.; Allyson Brewer of Martin, Ky.; Elizabeth Walker of Parma, Ohio; Austin Conn of Cincinnati, Ohio; Damian Hughes of Kettering, Ohio; Stephanie Lee of Los Altos, Calif.; and Van Lara of Mendocino, Calif.

The academy is made possible by grants from Chesapeake Energy and the Rahall Transportation Institute, as well as support from Marshall University and local businesses and agencies such as J.H. Fletcher, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the American Society of Civil Engineers, State Electric Supply Company and the Society of American Military Engineers.

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### UPCOMING POST EVENTS

- Jul 12 - Post Meeting
- Aug 9 - Post Meeting
- Sept 13 - Post Meeting
- Oct 7 - Golf Outing
- Oct 11 - Post Meeting
- Nov 8 - Post Meeting

*Remember monthly meetings are on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Put it on your calendar as a recurring reminder!*

## Huntington Post SAME Monthly Meeting

The next monthly meeting is scheduled for July 12 at the Cabell County Public Library in Huntington, WV. Meeting will begin at 11:30AM with lunch following. The presentation will begin at noon. Our speaker is David Meadows, P.E., P.S. Chief of Water Resources Branch from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. He will be discussing "Cumberland River Basin May 2010 Flood, After Action Report"

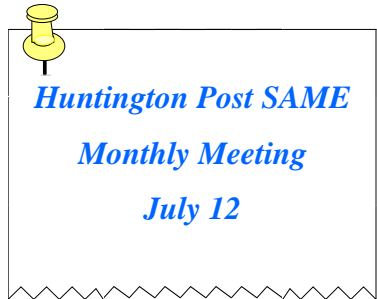
**Lunch:**

**CASH** - \$5 for students, \$10 for members and \$12 for non-members.

**ATM/Debit/Credit** - \$5.50 for students, \$10.50 for members and \$12.50 for non-members.

Make your reservations with Mack McCarty at Earnest.M.Mccarty@usace.army.mil or (304) 399-5957.

PDF Certificates for all luncheons are available by contacting Dave Meadows at David.F.Meadows@usace.army.mil.



## Membership Rate Structure

Beginning this year SAME national implemented a new rate structure targeting the uniformed service work forces. This is for both those that wear the uniform and civilians that work for those services as well.

- Uniformed Service - \$60 (one time fee for duration of uniformed service)
- Civilians (uniformed service) - \$45 for 3 years or \$60 for 5 years
- Individual membership - \$85/year
- Young Member - \$35/year
- Student membership is FREE!!
- Life memberships are still available at a tiered rate structure.

If you have not joined or need to renew, now is the time. Go to <http://www.same.org> or contact our membership chair - Debbie Czewski.

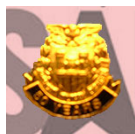
## News From the President, Ken Woodard, Post President

As the Post continues to honor those who have been SAME members for a number of years, those who have been members for 15 to 25 years were invited to the June lunch to be recognized. Pins were given to Corps retirees Bill Graham and Danny Boster. Those with 15 to 25 years of membership include the following:

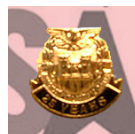
- Shane Hall - 23 years
- Lee Sutphin - 22 years
- Brast Thomas - 21 years
- Robert Fuller - 20 years
- Charles Heckert - 20 years

- Scott Pittman - 18 years
- Stephen Scott - 17 years
- Rich Mitchell - 16 years
- Cheryl Fitzwater - 16 years
- Danny Boster - 16 years
- Rick Meadows - 15 years
- David Conley - 15 years
- Sandy King - 15 years

50 Years



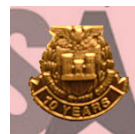
25 Years



15 Years



10 Years



5 Years



## SOCIETY OF AMERICAN MILITARY ENGINEERS



### Mark Your Calendars! - 2011 Golf Outing

Plans are underway for the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Scholarship and Training Fund Golf Outing hosted by the Huntington Post, Society of American Military Engineers. The Scramble will be October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at [Hidden Cove Golf Course](#) at Grayson Lake State Park near Grayson, KY. Proceeds will go toward the Huntington Post Scholarship Fund, Engineering Career Day, Explorers Post, the Marshall Student Post and the Education and Training Fund established to promote and strengthen young member's participation in the Post.

Activities for the day will begin with a **7:00 am registration** and coffee and donuts will be provided from 7:00am – 8:00 am. **Play will tee-off with an 8:30 a.m. Shotgun Start.** A hotdog/hamburger lunch will be provided during the outing and prize drawing will immediately follow the golf scramble.

Since this is a Huntington Post sponsored event, our goal is to encourage interaction among the A-E community and the Corps of Engineers. Teams will be assigned based on handicaps and we will attempt to place one or more Corps employees in each foursome.

Please designate a point of contact for this event so that we may contact you later with additional information. All responses should be submitted to me not later than October 1<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Please email your registration and response to [Deborah.W.Czewski@usace.army.mil](mailto:Deborah.W.Czewski@usace.army.mil). More information at <http://www.samehuntington.com/golfouting/default.aspx>.

### Young Members, *Corey Weaver, Chair*

On June 30, 2011, the Young Members hosted a Social at MacReedo's in Huntington. Around 20 people attended the event including District employees, Post members and Marshall students. I would like to thank all who attended and look forward to seeing you at future SAME functions.

Corey T. Weaver  
Young Members Chair

### Help Develop an Engineering I-App

A DC Post member has requested help in developing a science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) game that will be released by Apple as a free i-app. The game is being prepared under an Office of Naval Research grant. It will be based on a virtual world centered on humanitarian assistance and disaster relief. Phase One will be centered on an earthquake in Alaska and the events that occur as a result thereof - tsunamis, infrastructure collapse, Arctic rescues, etc. They would like to include a humanitarian engineering component with STEM problem-solving elements in Phase One. Currently, they are looking for assistance coming up with game problems. Phase One alpha will be out in Oct, beta in Nov, and the final release will be available in Jan 2012 for the kids and parents to download. For more information or to offer assistance, please contact Rosemarie Calvert at [roecalvert@hughes.net](mailto:roecalvert@hughes.net) or 304-892-3811.

## SOCIETY OF AMERICAN MILITARY ENGINEERS



### Sustaining Member of the Month - Hammontree & Associates, Limited



**Hammontree & Associates, Limited** Receives an Engineering Excellence Award and is hired to provide survey control points for 7 miles of the Ohio River



Hammontree & Associates Limited's project: Fulton Road and Park Drive, I-77 off-ramp and U.S. 62 eastbound on-ramp receives an *Engineering Excellence Honor Award* from the American Council of Engineering Companies of Ohio (ACEC). A total of 21 companies submitted entries in the 12th annual competition.

The project included the reconstruction and signalization of a major intersection in the city which provides direct access to the Pro Football Hall of Fame, the city parks, and Interstate 77. The funding for this project was provided by the City of Canton, The Ohio Public Works Commission, and the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Other project partners included the Ohio Department of Transportation and Canton City Parks. **This project had to meet strict funding limits, and construction times, which were successfully accomplished.**

Hammontree & Associates, Limited has also been hired to *provide survey control points for 7 miles of the Ohio River, dredging between Follansbee and Wellsburg, WV.* The Survey points will be used to electronically control the GPS location of the dredging machines. A technique called Caisson Dredging is used that reduces environmental impact and is more efficient than other types of dredging.

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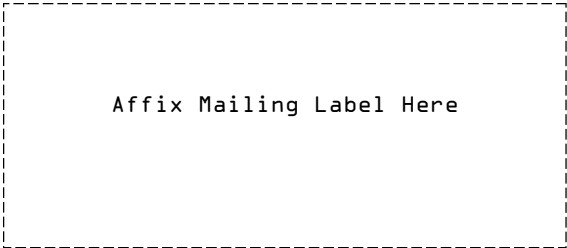


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