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This Month's SAME Meeting 14 April 2009

Topic: Regulating Surface Coal Mining in Appalachia

**Presented by: Ginger Mullins, Huntington District
Regulatory Branch Chief**

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April Meeting

Topic: Regulating Surface Coal Mining
Speaker: Ginger Mullins, USACE
Date: Tuesday, April 14, 2009
Time: 1130 to 1300
Location: Cabell County Main Library,
 455 9th St., Huntington, WV
Cost: \$5.00 students, \$7.00 members, \$8.00 non-members
RSVP: Mike Fitzwater at: gary.m.fitzwater@usace.army.mil
 Office (304) 399-5933
Menu: Pot Luck, Dessert and Beverage

MONTHLY POST MEETING SCHEDULE

April 14, 2009 – Monthly Meeting
 May 12, 2009 – Monthly Meeting
 June 9, 2009 – Monthly Meeting
 July 14, 2009 – Monthly Meeting

Don't forget to ask Dave Meadows for a PDH certificate if you need one.
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Does your firm have a special announcement or major promotion on a SAME member?

If so, contact **Dan Bailey**, Daniel.S.Bailey@usace.army.mil or (304) 399-5824, and he will include it in the next edition of "THE BRIDGE".



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Younger Members, *Brian Ball, Chair*

Young members are considering a new summer/ fall event (in addition to the golf outing). This event would be something like a hog roast and costume party. The foci of this event would be to increase young member involvement in SAME and provide opportunities for recruitment of new young members from new employees of the District and Sustaining Member firms. More details will be forthcoming.

Streamer News

The Post was successful on meeting 3 of 4 Streamer requirements just missing out on the "Readiness Streamer". There is a requirement or two that we need to work on during this year to win the streamer for next year. Thanks to all who have worked hard and are still working hard in the pursuit of bringing high honor to our Post.



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SAME National Conference

Join us at the **SAME national Joint Engineer Training Conference & Expo May 12-15 in Salt Lake City, UT. We have a booth for the Post and would like to share the space with our Sustaining Members. If you would like to sponsor the space please contact Cheryl Brunty or Mark Kessinger.**



News from the President, *Ralph Norman, PE, Post President*

This month I thought I'd bring to you a little background and history of the American Society of Military Engineers which was founded in 1920 "...in the interest of National Defense"... bringing together all phases of U.S. engineering in the civil and military sectors for "the advancement of knowledge...and the rapid mobilization of engineering capabilities."

As today's active members we can take pride in the fact that SAME is the premier professional engineering association in the United States for connecting architects, engineers and builders in the public sector and private industry, uniting them to improve individual and collective capabilities for national security. SAME's **primary goal** is "...to unite A/E/C entities and individuals in the public and private sector so that we can prepare for – and overcome – natural and manmade disasters, acts of terrorism, and improve security at home and abroad." This goal was borne in the post World War I era when more than 11,000 civilian engineers were called to duty when the United States entered the conflict known as the "the war to end all wars." Upon return from the war, many feared we might lose the collective knowledge and the cooperation between public and private sectors that proved vital to our combat success. Industry and military leaders vowed to capitalize on the technical lessons and camaraderie shared during their battlefield experiences, and founded SAME.

On the SAME website (<http://www.same.org>) you can view more history of our organization, as well as current events that are occurring today as the nation embarks on the daunting task of maintaining and expanding the quality of our infrastructure during one of the most trying economic times in recent American History.

I hope you can make it to our Huntington Post monthly meeting on April 14th!



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MU Student Chapter

Individuals interested in the Marshall University Student Chapter can contact Corey Weaver, President, at weaver61@marshall.edu. Any ideas for on-site visits would be greatly appreciated.

This Month's Presentation:

Presentation on the US Army Corps of Engineers Regulatory Program in the Appalachian Coal fields. The discussion will explain the history of the Regulatory Program, potential litigation challenges, and policy and rule changes that have placed the Corps firmly in the center of debate that encompasses the Appalachian coalfields.

This Month's Speaker:

Ginger Mullins began her career with the Huntington District in 1986 as a regulator. She spent time in Public Affairs and as Chief of the Environmental Analysis Branch of Planning. In 2002 she became the Chief of Regulatory Branch, responsible for the entire regulatory program in Huntington District. She is a graduate of University of Georgia (BS) and University of Charleston (MS) majoring in Environmental Science and Studies. She has also spent time at Harvard University and Marshall University for graduate and post graduate studies.

Ginger is married with four children. She is a WV native and an avid antique doll collector.



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Recently completed projects for the Huntington District include:

- West Columbus LPP (2004 ACEC Ohio Grand Award)
- Martin, Kentucky Phase 1A Redevelopment Site
- Marlinton, West Virginia LPP – Phase 2 Riverside
- London Locks Upper Guardwall Replacement
- Piedmont Lake Acid Mine Drainage Abatement
- Greenup Locks & Dam Baseline HEP Assessment
- Licking River Watershed Habitat Assessment
- Over 100 Bridge and Tainter Gate Inspections



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