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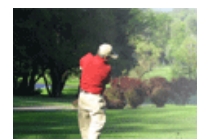
President's Message



I must begin this month's note by offering thanks to the committee that organized our annual Small Business Expo- Steve Blinderman, Emma Kowalenko, Bob Leick, Priscilla Abeyta, and last but certainly not least Jan Kaiser. This year's event was the best ever with a record number of attendees, great networking opportunities, and a chance to work with our friends from the Chicago Post.

We jump right into interesting S.A.M.E. programs this month offered by Carl Ross discussing a proposed new location for the Great Lakes Museum as well as the National Conference in Minneapolis May 20-23.

And coming right up in June we're offering our annual training session on map reading, topographical surveying, and lawn maintenance at Midlane Country Club. Thanks to the work of many hardworking volunteers the Post is offering the chance to raise funds for worthy causes, network, and most importantly to have a little fun while doing so. Check out the newsletter for all of the details, and join us!



Golf Outing Fundraiser 2008 – June 20th

John Ochoa –S.A.M.E. Lake Michigan Post 2008 President



Buy 50/50 Raffle Tickets
Donate Prizes

Dear Members and Friends of S.A.M.E. Lake Michigan Post. Our annual golf outing is scheduled for the 20th of June, at Midlane Golf and Country Club, Wadsworth, IL. The golf outing, our primary fundraiser for the year provides funds for the Post's Education and Mentoring Fund. This fund enables our Post to award college scholarships to qualified students who are pursuing degrees in the field of engineering, architecture or the applied sciences and it supports S.A.M.E. engineering summer camps. This year let us top our 2007 golf outing, the most successful to date. Please visit our website at www.SAME-lakemichigan.org for more details.



Our Golf Committee invites you to sponsor holes, donate prizes, purchase 50/50 raffle tickets for Yellow Ribbon.



Sponsorship Levels

- **Gold –\$1500** – Signage on 4 Holes & Free Foursome, Cart, Lunch
- **Silver – \$1,000** – Signage on 1 Holes & Free Foursome, Cart, Lunch
- **Bronze – \$500** – Signage on 1 Hole & Free Twosome, Cart, Lunch
- **\$250** – Signage on 1 Hole

Small Biz Expo 2008 Draws Over 180!



CAPT. Bob Gibbs – NAVFAC Midwest; LTC Fredric Kaehler – USACE Chicago District; Janis Kaiser – NAVFAC Midwest; Priscilla Abeyta – USACE, Chicago District



Our 4th annual Small Business Expo had the best attendance yet. We had 185 participants compared to 115 last year. This year's Expo focused on construction and the allied disciplines of engineering, architecture, and environmental services with special outreach to Disabled Veteran Owned Businesses. This event was hosted jointly by the Lake Michigan and Chicago Posts. The lunch meeting included briefs from CAPT Bob Gibbs and LTC Fredric Kaehler. The Expo and Matchmaking promoted teaming opportunities between large and small businesses. Thank you to the Expo planning committee and to the Chicago Post for making this year's Small Business Expo such a tremendous success.

*Steven Blinderman –S.A.M.E. Lake Michigan Post 2008
Treasurer and Small Business Committee Chair*



Win Prizes – Bring In New Members! May is Membership Month

May is membership month and we are focusing on current members inviting potential new members to our May meeting. In keeping with tradition, this is a friendly competition. The contest will go through the end of May. The person or persons that sponsors the most new members will be recognized at the Golf Outing in June. New members that join during the month of May are our guests and their lunch is free at either the May or July post meetings.

If you have any questions about membership please feel free to contact Al Esche aesche@eschelee.com. Thanks in advance for all your support, We need a big push this year to bring in more members and earn the streamer in 2008.

Prizes for current members who bring in or sponsor new member(s)

- One new member – Free lunch at either May or July meeting
- Two new members – Free Lunch and S.A.M.E. or Navy Hat
- Three or more new members – Free Lunch and SAME Polo Shirt
- The person with the most new members – Round of Golf at the S.A.M.E. June Golf Outing.

May 8th – Naval Historical Museum Presentation
July 18th – Fundraising River Cruise Joint with Chicago Post

August – Two and a Half Day Design/ Build Workshop by S.A.M.E. National

For All Programs contact Program Committee Chair Robert Leick at robert.a.leick@gasai.com or check our website <http://www.same-lakemichigan.org/>