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War in Afghanistan Hits Home – Sgt. Kevin Grieco

With great sadness, Ralph Grieco asked to tell his SAME friends that on October 27th his 35 year old son, Sgt. Kevin Grieco, was killed by a suicide bomber while serving the Illinois Army National Guard and his country in Afghanistan. Kevin leaves behind a wife and two small children. He was buried at Arlington National Cemetery.

Donations are being accepted in Kevin's name to **Operation Support Our Troops - Illinois** www.osotil.org. Tax deductible donations may be mailed directly to: Operation Support Our Troops-Illinois 1807 S. Washington St., Suite 110, #359 Naperville, IL 60565 or mailed to the S.A.M.E. Chicago Post Treasurer, Matthew Ingram, HNTB, 111 North Canal Street, Suite 1250, Chicago, IL 60606 who will consolidate money received with Post donations.



Kevin is survived by his wife Rashmi; children, Joshua and Angeli; his parents, Col. Ralph (retired) and Linda Grieco; sister, Jennifer Grieco Burch; brothers-in-law, Chad Burch and Ajit Chawathe; and aunts, uncles and cousins.

The Lake Michigan Post sends heartfelt condolences to Ralph Grieco and his family. We encourage our members to send donations to **Operation Support Our Troops - Illinois** www.osotil.org in Kevin Grieco's name using the above contact information.

President's Message

In case you hadn't noticed we've just had an election recently. But wait, just when you thought it was safe to go out again, the Lake Michigan Post is having its election. Our advertising budgets are much smaller, and I'm pretty sure that none of the candidates has spent any additional money for wardrobe enhancements, but we are offering a strong slate of candidates for our new officers and Board members. Last year we changed our bylaws so that we are electing only half, or three new Board members. We will also be re-appointing chairpersons to our important committees. Since some committee chairs may be accepting new board or officer positions new volunteers are welcome to all of our committees. Just to refresh your memories these are: Communication, Golf Fundraiser, Membership, Outreach, Programs, Readiness, Small Business, Website, Yellow Ribbon, and Young Members. You can visit our website www.same-lakemichigan.org and click on Officers to find Committee contacts.

We have good news to announce. One of our charter Post Members, CDR Ken Endress, CEC USNR (Ret.) has been accepted to the Academy of Fellows for the Society of Military Engineers. As most of you are aware Ken has been a mainstay in our Post serving in many capacities. In recent years Ken has worked tirelessly on behalf of young people. He has chaired our Scholarship Committee and coordinated the Math Counts program while serving as a Board Member for the Post. Please offer your congratulations to Ken!

Election Slate

President Capt. Julius "Jake" Washington
Vice President Emma Kowalenko
Treasurer Steven Blinderman
Secretary Lt. JG Nathan Cross

Board Members 2009- 2010*
Jim Powell
Anthony Bilotti
Jeff Markey

*Board Members Al Behring, Ken Endress, and Al Esche have one year remaining on their terms

Vote in person at Joint Meeting or Annual Holiday Luncheon, or see website for online ballot <http://www.same-lakemichigan.org/>

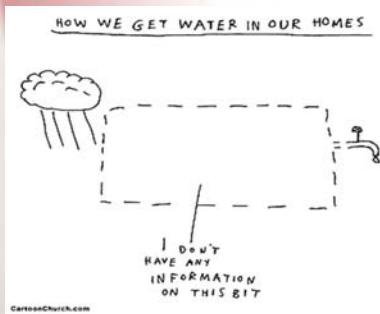
John Ochoa, Lake Michigan Post President

Creating and Maintaining Integrated Urban Water Systems

On October 9th Dr. John W. Norton, Ph.D. Senior Environmental Engineer at MWH Global and professor of Chemical Engineering at the University of Michigan, briefed Lake Michigan Post members on *Integrated Urban Water Systems*. He discussed perceptions of water systems by the public as well as the cost and quality aspects of the capture of water through various means. The treatment of wastewater for drinking water purposes as well as the importance of public involvement forums were additional subject matters. Dr. Norton also discussed current system structure and the potential integration of multiple systems in future design. The presentation generated a lively interchange of ideas.



Integrated water systems: capture the value of water



Suggested Dominant Water Issue for Various Climates

		AVERAGE RAINFALL	
		Low	High
PEAK RAINFALL	High	Capture & Store	Flood Control
	Low	Water Reuse	Stormwater Management



Calendar of Events

12th Annual 2008 Small Business USACE Conference Registration Information on the S.A.M.E. National Website <http://same.org/>

Joint Meeting Hosted by the Lake Michigan Post Nov 20th – Highland Park Country Club

US Army Corps of Engineers

Building Strong Today for a Secure Tomorrow
 Memphis Cook Convention Center |
 Memphis, Tenn. |
 Dec 8-10, 2008



Nov 20

Annual joint meeting Chicago and Lake Michigan Posts, election slates presented. *Vision, Innovation, and Challenges in Design, Construction, and Related Industries – Regional Perspectives* by Commanding Officers – USACE Chicago District – COL Vincent Quarles and NAVFAC Midwest – CAPT Jake Washington – and non-DOD perspective from Charles Hardy – GSA Region V. For reservations contact LTJG Nathan Cross nathan.r.cross@navy.mil

Dec 11

Annual holiday luncheon
 Highland Park Country Club – 11:30 am
 GIS at Great Lakes presentation
 White elephant gift exchange
 Toys for Tots Collection
 Final voting LMP Officers and Board Members



Make a Donation

Nov 20th and Dec 11th Toys for Tots Collections Please Bring Unwrapped Toys



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