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LETTER FROM FRANK LOMBARDI

DINNER DANCE CHAIR

As chair of the NYC Post's Annual Dinner Dance held on November 2, 2002, I'd like to thank the Post and the Dinner Dance committee for making this past year's gala—our 62nd—a record breaking event. For the first time in many years, we had the opportunity to open the balcony of the Waldorf's Grand Ballroom to accommodate nearly 700 guests. We acknowledged the 163 Engineering and Architectural students who were recipients of our Scholarship Awards and who will be our future leaders.

Special tribute was paid to our Guest of Honor, Rear Admiral Michael R. Johnson, CEC, United States Navy, along with our Honored Guests, The Chiefs of the Engineering Branches – Military Services. The premier event of our Post's undertakings, this gala evening promotes the activities of our Scholarship Fund, led by F. H. (Bud) Griffin, and it adds to the vibrancy of the New York City Post and the American spirit of renewal. ■

Frank Lombardi, Dinner Dance Chair, welcoming all to the 62nd Annual gathering



Harvey Sands, Post President, presenting the Past President's Award to Col. John B. O'Dowd



A full house (and balcony) at this year's Dinner Dance



Our Honored Guests with Rear Admiral Michael R. Johnson, Guest of Honor at lectern

Did you know that you can visit us on-line? Go to <http://same-nyc.org> for additional events and information, or for a direct link to the National site.

To contribute news about your firm or events, please contact Carolyn Turgeon at turgeon@pbworld.com.

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DINNER 2002 DANCE



Guests of the Port Authority



Dinner Dance Vice Chair Judy Cooper and Scholarship recipients



Harvey Sands (far left), Frank Lombardi (third from right), Bud Griffis (far right) and the Honored Guests



Bud and Nancy Griffis



Iris and Harvey Sands



Judy Cooper, Chair, Student Activities Committee, and Ed Wrenners, Treasurer, Scholarship Fund



Bud Griffis, Chair, Scholarship Committee, and "the ladies"



Color Guard



Guests enjoying the cocktail reception

SAME NEW YORK CITY POST YOUNG MEMBER COMMITTEE

2003 EXECUTIVE FORUM

On January 15, 2003, the SAME Young Member Committee co-hosted the Executive Forum for Young Members with the American Society of Civil Engineers Young Member Forum at the Cornell Club in Manhattan. The event provided access to prominent engineers from the region during an informal networking session and formal panel presentation.

The event was a great success: 115 attendees from over 30 firms enjoyed the company, the food, and especially the panel discussion. The speakers represented many of the entities that make up the industry, including public agencies and private firms, construction and consulting firms, and women and minority owned firms. The panel addressed issues regarding professional development, leadership, and business development, with each speaker adding his/her own personal touch and insight into how to craft a successful career. The speakers did an excellent job, with each panelist setting the stage for the next or playing off the comments of the previous speakers. Although the entire panel discussion was full of memorable information and advice, perhaps the best part was the contrast and comparison

between the varied paths the speakers took from different backgrounds in order to accomplish similar goals. The range of personalities and speaking styles definitely kept the audience interested throughout and stimulated a lively question and answer period.

Many thanks are extended to the speakers—Sharon Paul Carpenter, Paul Carpenter Associates; Conan Freud, NYC Department of Transportation; William McGuinness, Slattery Skanska; Gary Neuwerth, Dewberry-Goodkind; Colonel John O'Dowd, US Army Corps of Engineers; Harvey Sands, LiRo-Kassner; and Joseph Siano, MTA-NYC Transit—and to the sponsors of the event, including HydroQual, DMJM Harris, Arup, Naik-Prasad, CTE Engineers, HNTB, Booz Allen Hamilton, GZA, Hart Crowser, Parsons Brinckerhoff, the Port Authority of NY & NJ, and Dewberry-Goodkind.

For more information about the Young Member Committee, visit: <http://www.same-nyc.org/young.htm> or contact Phil Simmons, Young Member Committee Chair, HydroQual, psimmons@hydroqual.com. ■

Bob has been appointed to the National Readiness Committee. To find out more about the committee and its activities, contact Bob at radamski@GFNET.com.

ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS & ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

The mission of the Environmental Affairs & Advanced Technology Committee is to identify environmental issues and develop effective solutions using cutting edge public and private technologies. Joseph Porrovecchio serves as committee chairman. To find out more about the committee's activities—and to see a list of technical presentations and seminars from 2002—visit <http://www.same-nyc.org/envtech.htm> and/or contact Joseph at Joseph.Porrovecchio@hartcrowser.com. ■

SUBCOMMITTEE reports

READINESS COMMITTEE

The Readiness Committee met in November 2002 and discussed revisions to the Plan that were proposed to the Board. The Board approved offering assistance to agencies other than the Corps of Engineers and briefing the members at breakfast or luncheon meetings. The "alert roster" was also updated and tested to reflect new Board members.

Bob Adamski, the Chair, met with Col. John Carroll of the North Atlantic Division to discuss involvement of the Post in missions beyond support of the Federal Emergency Response Plan.

NORTH ATLANTIC REGIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING CONFERENCE

"ENGINEERS SECURING OUR FUTURE"

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR
OCTOBER 8-10, 2003**

The North Atlantic Regional Conference will be held in Lower Manhattan at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 102 North End Avenue. The tentative schedule includes a golf tournament, exhibit area, and 2-hour Circle Line cruise around Manhattan on October 8th; a day of technical and training sessions on the 9th—including a welcome from Mayor Bloomberg, a major keynote speaker, and an exciting technical program with a choice of four different tracks; and, on the 10th, a joint session with the NYC and NJ Posts featuring major state and federal agencies describing upcoming work.

Forty exhibit booths will be available, along with 35 sponsorship opportunities. Visit the NYC Post website in April or contact BG Ralph Locurcio, USA (Ret.) at LocurRV@stvinc.com or (212) 777-4400 to find out more about this great event. ■

UPCOMING events

NYC POST EVENTS

APRIL 30, 2003

NYC Post Evening Meeting
The Harvard Club
27 W. 44th St. (btw 5th and 6th Aves)
5:30pm – 8:45pm

JUNE 4, 2003

NYC Post Evening Meeting
The Harvard Club
27 W. 44th St. (btw 5th and 6th Aves)
5:30pm – 8:45pm

JUNE 13, 2003

Joint NY & NJ Post Harbor Inspection
COE Vessel Hayward

UPCOMING CONFERENCES AND PROGRAMS

MAY 27-31, 2003

2003 National Education and Training
Conference
Seattle, WA
Martin Boivin (206) 220-7400

MEMBER news

BENEDICT REYES

On February 14, 2002, Benedict Reyes, President of Iron Eagle Environmental Services, Inc. received an award for "Enterprising Veteran of the Year" from the Department of Veterans Affairs, in Washington, D.C.

Benedict has over 30 years' experience in the industry. In 1993 he founded Iron Eagle Environmental Services, Inc., which provides numerous environmental services ranging from asbestos abatement to rifle range lead cleanup and works with an assortment of clients, including the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Coast Guard, and Port Authority of NY & NJ, NY Dormitory Authority, and many others. The company holds several different certifications—8(a), Small Disadvantaged Business, Minority Business Enterprises, Service Disabled Veteran. Benedict is also affiliated with various Native American Indian Organizations. ■



Deputy Secretary of Veterans Affairs Leo S. Mackay, Jr., presents the award to Benedict (on right), while Scott Denniston, Director of the Office of Small & Disadvantaged Business Utilization, speaks at the lectern

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