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### LETTER FROM JUDY COOPER

As you can see from the contents of this edition of *The SAME Story*, our Post has been recognized with several major awards on a national level...and we couldn't be more thrilled! To Bud, Frank, and Dom we offer our hearty congratulations and thanks for being such stalwarts of our Post and for having achieved such well-deserved recognition from their peers. Additional thanks go to Mike Kalida as Chair of the Awards Committee for encouraging all of us to submit our materials for the various recognitions available from the national Society. We should all continue to look at ways that we can take advantage of these opportunities by promoting all the good works that you all do as members of this Post.

Another way to recognize what we as a Post have to offer is by sharing our capabilities with our young members and potential young members. PB recently had the opportunity to host a group of "Firsties" or seniors from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point as part of a mentoring activity that our Post is developing with the Academy. Under the tutelage of their professor, Col. Joe Manous of the Department of Geography and Environmental Engineering, a dozen students spent the morning learning about a major ongoing New York City project; heard from PB's project manager on the project; met with PB's Chairman continued on page 4



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

To contribute news about your firm or events, please contact Judy Cooper at cooperj@pbworld.com.

#### **DINNER DANCE SCHEDULED**

#### **NOVEMBER 3, 2007**

The NYC Post will hold its 67th Annual Scholarship Fund Dinner Dance on Saturday, November 3, 2007, at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel. On February 28, 2007, the Post's Board of Directors approved the nomination of Major General Del Eulberg, U.S. Air Force Civil Engineer, for distinction as the 2007 Dinner Dance Guest of Honor.

To all of you who attended the event in 2006 or made contributions, I extend my sincere thanks for your continued commitment and support of the NYC Post's Scholarship Fund. Our 2007 Dinner Dance Committee will begin its work this year with a kickoff meeting in May. If anyone is interested in joining our committee, please contact me at: vinny.mangiere@jacobs.com.

#### **GOLF OUTING**

The NYC & NJ Posts are proud to host a Golf Outing to benefit their scholarship funds.

When: Thursday, June 7, 2007
Where: Picatinny Arsenal Golf Course,

Rockaway Township, NJ **Time:** Registration 10:30 AM

Shotgun Start 11:30 AM

Dinner, Awards & Networking 5:00 PM

For additional information, please see the Post website at: http://www.same-nyc.org/

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# **GRIFFIS & McCAFFREY TO RECEIVE 2007 GOLDEN EAGLE AWARDS**

e are proud that former New York City Post President Colonel F.H. "Bud" Griffis, USA (Ret.), along with General Barry McCaffrey, USA (Ret.), were honored at this year's SAME Golden Eagle Awards Dinner for their significant contributions to the military engineering profession and national security. The ceremony, held on March 31st in Arlington, Virginia, also honored the recipient of the 2007 Academy of Fellows Mentoring Award.

Bud is chairman of the Civil Engineering Department and professor of Construction at Polytechnic University as well as dean of Engineering and Applied Sciences.

A graduate of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, Bud spent 20 years commanding construction and combat units in the United States. Korea, Vietnam and Germany. He later served as area engineer, construction manager and contracting officer for construction at Ramon Air Base, Israel. He retired in 1986 after serving as Commander and District Engineer of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers-New York District, where he was responsible for Army and U.S. Air Force construction from Southern New Jersey to Maine, as well as in Greenland and Labrador.

The dedication and leadership Bud has shown in academia on both personal and professional levels rivals that of his military service. A graduate of the U.S. Army War College, he has two master's degrees and a doctorate from Oklahoma State University and is the author of two textbooks, with a third due to be published later this year. Moreover, he has given freely of his time, energy and enthusiasm to the Society over the years. He served as president and director for the NYC Post, and twice served on SAME's National Board of Direction. Inducted into the SAME Academy of Fellows in 1986. Bud is also a fellow of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

Gen. McCaffrey served in the U.S. Army for 32 years, retiring as a four-star general. At retirement, he was the most highly decorated serving general officer, honored three times with the Purple Heart, twice with the Distinguished Service Cross and twice with the Silver Star.

For five years after leaving the military, Gen. McCaffrey served as the nation's cabinet officer in charge of U.S. Drug Policy, confirmed for the position by unanimous vote by the U.S. Senate. After leaving







Barry McCaffrey

government service. Gen. McCaffrey served for five years as the Bradley Distinguished Professor of International Security Studies at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, his alma mater. He continues as an adjunct professor of International Affairs, is president of his own consulting firm. McCaffrey Associates, serves as a national security and terrorism analyst for NBC News, and writes a regular column on national security issues for the Armed Forces Journal.

Since 1972. SAME has bestowed the designation of fellow to those members who have rendered dedicated and outstanding service to the Society and to military engineering. In 1995, the Society organized the Academy of Fellows to bring all fellows together to further the Society's missions and goals. and to take a lead role in support of the Society's Mentoring Program. Fellows are also encouraged to consider giving to the Century House Fund. The Academy now numbers more than 600 fellows. For more information, please check the Society's website at: http://posts.same.org/AOF/.



Frank Lombardi

# FRANK LOMBARDI TO BECOME SAME FELLOW

he New York City Post is very pleased to congratulate Frank Lombardi, Chief Engineer of the Port Authority of New York & New Jersey and former NYC Post President (2004-2005), on his acceptance into the coveted Academy of Fellows of the Society of American Military Engineers. The Academy recognizes those SAME members for outstanding contributions to both the Society and the field of engineering. It would come as no surprise to anyone that

Frank be recognized for his many years of extraordinary service to our Post and to the engineering community.

A native of Italy, Frank grew up in New York City. After high school, he attended Queens College before transferring to the New York University School of Engineering. He undertook a special five-year program that combined liberal arts with civil engineering. He went on to receive an M.S. in structures from Columbia

# DOMINICK SERVEDIO TO RECEIVE GOETHALS MEDAL

e are extremely pleased that Dominick Servedio, a longtime leader of the New York City Post, has been chosen to receive the Society's Goethals Medal for his eminent and notable contributions to the engineering profession during a long and distinguished career. His integrity, technical and business acumen, commitment to quality, dedication to public service, and strong patriotism exemplify the core values of SAME.

As STV's Chairman/CEO, Dominick manages a leading design and construction management firm. His tenure has been marked by the transformation of STV into a 100% employee-owned private firm, the creation of a culture of mentoring to recruit and retain employees, and recognition of STV as an industry leader. Prior to joining STV, he spent 15 years in the public sector.

Dominick has been a prominent figure in the rebuilding of Lower Manhattan. He is personally leading STV and its partners in the design or management of four acclaimed projects at the World Trade Center site: the PATH Station, Vehicle Security Center, Freedom Tower, and Memorial. Over the past five years, Dominick spearheaded the design of such prestigious projects as the new library for the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, and a number

of important design commissions at Fort Drum and military installations throughout the Northeast.

Dominick was also recently named Chairman of the New York Building Congress. He assumed this position during a period of nearly unprecedented construction activity spanning virtually all sectors of the building industry and at a time when forward-looking and vital public infrastructure projects face uncertainties concerning the availability of financing. He is also helping to reshape the organization's policies and programs while continuing its distinguished record as an advocate of innovative design, responsible development and infrastructure investment.

"Dominick Servedio represents the strength of this industry..." said Building Congress President Richard Anderson. "Dominick joins a long list of men and women ... who exemplify this history of devotion and intelligent service to the industry..."

A registered engineer, he is an SAME fellow, former President and Dinner Dance Chairman, and consistent supporter of the NYC Post. An active member of SAME for over 25 years, he established several scholarships on behalf of STV, which has been a sustaining member firm since 1968.



Dominick Servedio

The Medal, to be presented at SAME's 2007 Joint Engineer Education and Training Conference & Expo in Philadelphia on May 1, 2007, is named in honor of Colonel George Washington Goethals, USA. A civil engineer, he is known for supervising the monumental construction of the Panama Canal. The Goethals Bridge between Staten Island, New York and Elizabeth, New Jersey is also named in his honor.

University and a Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study in Business Management from Pace University in New York.

Early on, Frank intended to work for the Port Authority. However, after graduation, he was drafted to serve in the Vietnam War, going to the U.S. Air Force. After returning home, while working for a private firm, he received a telegram that changed his life: a job offer from the Port Authority. Working his way up through the ranks over the next two decades, Frank's career took a major leap forward in 1995 when he assumed the position of acting chief engineer. The position became permanent in 1996.

Engineering activities at the Port Authority indeed run the gamut, as it acts much like a designoriented engineering firm. Its considerable depth of engineering expertise includes civil, structural, geotechnical, environmental, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and HVAC disciplines. Thanks to the agency's broad mandate involving several of the area's bridges, tunnels, seaports, airports and a major rail system, Frank has the opportunity to oversee a large engineering staff engaged in many of the region's premier transportation-related projects.

Frank will be formally inducted into the Academy of Fellows at the SAME 2007 Joint Engineer Education and Training Conference & Expo in Philadelphia on May 1, 2007. Further information on the conference is at: http://www.phillysame2007.org/Index.htm.

# UPCOMING events

#### **APRIL 18 (WEDNESDAY)**

**Board of Directors** Luncheon Meeting

#### **APRIL 25 (WEDNESDAY)**

Post Regular Evening Meeting 5:30 PM - 8:45 PM The Harvard Club

#### **MAY 1-4 (TUESDAY-FRIDAY)**

SAME Joint Engineer Education & Training Conference and Expo (Reservations Required) Philadelphia, PA

#### **MAY 30 (WEDNESDAY)**

**Board of Directors** Luncheon Meeting 12 Noon

#### JUNE 6 (WEDNESDAY)

Post Annual Elections Evening Meeting 5:30 PM - 8:45 PM The Harvard Club

#### **JUNE 15 (FRIDAY)**

Harbor Inspection (Held Jointly with New Jersey Post) COE Vessel Hayward

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and CEO, Tom O'Neill; and visited the PB CAVE (computer analysis and visualization environment) for some exciting "views" of projects, complete with 3-D glasses! The best part of the time we spent together was that we learned as much from the students (if not more) than they learned from us.

These are just two of the many reasons that SAME is such a vital organization and one in which we should encourage so many within our respective organizations to participate—both new young members and those of us who have spent more than a few years in this industry. I encourage all of you to become active in our various committees, attend our dinner meetings where we host excellent speakers who share their perspectives on the industry, and support our extraordinary Post Scholarship Fund.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the National Conference in early May in Philadelphia—a short train ride away—and at our own Post's next dinner meeting.

Thanks for your continued support to our Post,

Judy Cooper President, NYC Post, SAME

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