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A Monthly Newsletter For The Houston/Galveston Post

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 2020

January 15

19th Annual Installation and Member Awards Banquet

Keynote Speaker BG Joe Ramirez, Commandant of Texas A&M Corps of Cadets at the Annual Banquet

2020

SAME Leadership Series 2020

Seeking Young Professionals to participate in SAME's Leadership Series



- ★ **December 4, 2019**
General Membership Meeting
Keynote Speaker Harris County Judge Lina Hidalgo
- ★ **December 4, 2019**
Fisher House Donations
Donations to the Fisher House were collected at the General Membership Meeting
- ★ **December 11, 2019**
YMI Ugly Sweater Social Hour
SAME attended the City Wide YMI Event
- ★ **December 12, 2019**
Joint Society Holiday Social
SAME, TAEP and A&WMA Holiday Social at Saint Arnold Brewing Company
- ★ **December 16, 2019**
Annual Golf Tournament
12th Annual Kenneth J Haveman Scholarship Golf Tournament

December General Membership Meeting

By: Alene Efaw

On Wednesday, December 4, 2019, SAME held their general membership meeting with Harris County Judge Lina Hidalgo as the keynote speaker. She gave an overview of changes within Harris County since she has become County Judge in November 2019. She has made it a priority to open doors, having public and private entities participating and collaborating, and getting the public involved in commissioners court. An example of this was to open all voting locations to everyone. She discussed the \$2.5 Billion flood bond and how projects are prioritized. She also discussed the \$3.5 Billion Metro bond new transit projects. She wants to catch up on much needed transportation options in Houston and then, lead the way. She has enjoyed watching the community support in the different programs being implemented around Harris County.





Fisher House Donations

By: Alene Efaw

At the December General Membership Meeting, attendees brought items needed at the Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center Fisher House. The Fisher House Foundation manages comfort homes where military and veterans' families can stay at no cost while a love one is receiving treatment. Yvonne Hernandez delivered all the donations the second week of December.

YMI Ugly Sweater Social Hour

By: Pacey Bean

On Wednesday, December 11, 2019, CityWide YMI held an Ugly Sweater Social hour as the last event of the year. What better way to start the holiday spirit than socializing with other professional organizations? The event was held at Axelrad with a great Jazz band playing that night. CityWide YMI bridges the gap between professional organizations around the Houston area and SAME is one of the represented organizations.



Joint Society Holiday Social

By: Yvonne Hernandez

SAME participated in a joint Holiday Social to celebrate 2019. SAME joined The Texas Association of Environmental Professionals (TAEP) and The Air and Waste Management Association (AWMA) to host a holiday event at Saint Arnold Brewing Company on December 12th. Over 125 consultants, engineers, and scientists were in attendance.

12th Annual Kenneth J Haveman Scholarship Golf Tournament

By: Shaun Sallee



The 12th Annual Kenneth J Haveman Scholarship Golf Tournament, held on December 16, 2019 at Blackhorse Golf Club, was a successful event even with a drastic change in the weather that morning. The tournament brought together public agency guests with many of our sponsor firms for an enjoyable round of golf.

1st Place Gross Score: Jacobs – Robb Fishman, David Gornet and Omar Gar

1st Place Net Score: Walter P. Moore – Doug Coenen, Sam Sprouse and David Doran

2nd Place Net Score: Pulce Construction – Brent Spradling, Art Pena, Scott Carney and Tony Sarton

Longest Putt: Tom Martens, Terracon

Longest Drive: Dustin Qualls, Midtown

Closest to the Pin: Larry Hjorth, KBR

North course		KBR		PULICE		STUART CONSULTING GROUP	
Walter P. Moore	-20.4	HDR	Scott Marr	-7	Stantec	John Keane	Andrew Swirsky
Doug Coenen	-8	Scott Marr	Steve Arnold	TBD	Mason Laebau	Brock Crenek	€
Sam Sprouse	-8	Shaun Sallee	Stephenson	-8	Aviles	Ron Ortwarth	Bill Houlette
David Doran	-8	Jeremy Austin	Stephen Gbur	-8	Jeff Sherman	TBD	+1
TBD	-8	Robert Heck	Roberto Medina	-8	Terracon	Tom Martens	+3.9
Pulce	-8	Tyler Broom	Tyson Arnold	-2	Rebecca Cummins	Yvonne Hernandez	+3
Brent Spradling	-14.2	Julies Guidry			Michael Moore		
Art Pena	-8						
Scott Carney	-8						
Tony Sarton	-8						
Brooks & Sparks	-3						
Costello	-3						
Patrick Dingrando	-3						
TBD	-3						
ATL/Civil Search	-4						
Javier Infante	-4						
Blake Pellerin	-4						
Kaitlyn White	-4						
Jeff Thijsen	-4						
Midtown	-4						
Ramon Herrera	-4						
Dustin Qualls	-4						
Joel Colwell	-4						
Jacobs	-9						
Robb Fishman	-9						
David Gornet	-9						
Omar Gar	TBD						
TBD	TBD						