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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Spring has arrived! The time of year for renewal and rebirth -- including for SAME Omaha Post. Names are being accepted for Board and Committee positions for the 2007-2008 program year. If you would like an opportunity to help The Society fulfill its mission while gaining visibility and increased recognition for yourself and your firm, please contact a current member of the Omaha Post to submit your name.



Donations continue to arrive for the Doug Plack Scholarship Fund. We are 75% of the way to our goal, and appreciate the generosity of the many firms and individuals who have chosen this way to honor Doug's memory. A full listing of contributors is listed on the SAME website, located at www.sameomaha.org.

While my message will be short this month, the newsletter is not! I would encourage your reading about the numerous upcoming activities that are detailed on the following pages, including:

- The Student Mentoring Competition - April 18
- The SAME National Conference, Philadelphia - May 1-4
- The SAME Omaha Post Industry Day and Golf Outing - July 25-26
- The TexOma/MoRiver Regional - October 9-11

If you would like to volunteer for any of these events, please feel free to contact me!

Best wishes for a happy Spring!

Jeanne LeBron
Omaha Post President

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday, April 18, 2007

Student Initiative Mentoring Competition

Location: Scott Conference Center*

Thursday, April 19, 2007

General Membership Meeting

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

“Hurricane Protection Office Update”

Presented by COL. Bedey

Location: Scott Conference Center*

May 1-4, 2007

SAME National Conference

Visit www.phillysame2007.org to register.

Thursday, May 17, 2007

General Membership Meeting

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

“Downtown Omaha Revitalization Activities”

Location: Scott Conference Center*

Thursday, June 21, 2007

General Membership Meeting

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

“SBA and DOD Mentor-Protégé Programs”

Location: Scott Conference Center*

July 25-26, 2007

Industry Day / Golf Outing

Note: There will be no General Membership Meeting in July due to Industry Day.

*Scott Conference Center is located at 6450 Pine St.

TEXOMA-MISSOURI RIVER REGIONAL CONFERENCE

Plan on attending the Texoma-Missouri River Regional Conference scheduled for October 9-11, 2007.

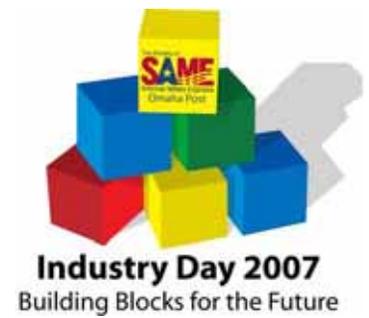
- Historic Stockyards, Fort Worth, TX
- Host Hotels: The Stockyards Station and AmeriSuites Stockyard Hotel
- Exhibit Hall: Texas Cowboy Hall of Fame

Hosted by the Fort Worth Post. Please watch their website for details: <http://posts.same.org/FortWorth/>

To register, go to www.phillysame2007.org.

INDUSTRY DAY 2007

Mark your calendars and plan on attending this year's Industry Day scheduled for Wednesday, July 25 with golf on Thursday, July 26 in the morning.



Our conference location has changed this year. We will be at the Embassy Suites in downtown Omaha for the conference and will golf at Indian Creek as in the past.

Tentative agenda:

- Northwestern Division Update
- Air Force Program Trends
- Design-Build Experience Panel
- Large & Small Business Update
- Lunch: Interaction activity with the USACE
- Program Updates

Conference registration will include attendance at all of the above sessions, continental breakfast, roundtable lunch (with the Corps) and a reception following the sessions.

Display Booths will be in the ballroom next to our meeting rooms. Our breakfast, breaks, and reception will take place in the booth area and drawings will take place in the booth area as well. Please consider registering for a display booth at the conference!

Watch our website at www.sameomaha.org for further details.

SAME 2007 JOINT ENGINEER EDUCATION AND TRAINING CONFERENCE & EXPO

The Philadelphia Post of the Society of American Military Engineers invites you to attend the SAME 2007 Joint Engineer Education and Training Conference & Expo, May 1-4, 2007, Pennsylvania Convention Center, Philadelphia, PA.

Highlights include:

- Contingency Engineering and Reconstruction
- Emergency Preparedness and Response
- Installation Development and Realignment
- Installation Management
- Professional Development
- Developing Military Leaders

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

CHARLES "CHUCK" PAUKERT



Position on the SAME Board?

Currently serve as Vice President on the Board. Major duties include responsibility for organizing the annual Industry Day.

What is your "day" job?

Retired U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and currently working for Short Elliott Hendrickson (SEH) Engineers as a federal client manager.

Personal Information

Married to Joyce for 39 years. Two grown sons, Mike who is an engineer for the City of Omaha, and Tom who is assistant manager of a fast food restaurant.

Hobbies include various forms of woodworking, furniture, crafts, and home remodeling. Some fishing as time permits.

How did you become involved in SAME?

In 1981, I was asked by a supervisor to become an SAME member and be involved in a new endeavor for the Post - assist in forming a Young Engineers Committee. I joined and served on that committee as well as other positions.

What has been personally fulfilling/beneficial from your work with SAME?

Most rewarding has been meeting and developing long time relationships with numerous great people. They have become mentors, personal friends, business associates.

What project/task/endeavor have you been most excited/proud to work on in conjunction with SAME?

Over the past 25 years, I served as vice president, director, & treasurer, and on program, nominations, & scholarship committees. Encouraging participation, especially of younger members, and watching them grow has been rewarding.

What are you looking forward to in the next year? 5 years? 15 years with SAME?

I wish to continue to stay active on various committees and continue personal relationships.

What are the goals you hope to accomplish during your time in your position on the board?

Assist in producing a quality Industry Day that is of value to the attendees and sponsors.

What benefits do you see for our community through SAME's work?

The Omaha Post has served as a good mechanism for members to interact with other professional organizations. Personal and business relationships developed by participating in SAME provide other opportunities to work together in the community.

What would you say to an individual thinking about joining SAME?

I would encourage anyone to join-AND to be active in the meetings, in the committees, in the fellowship.

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STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

By Adam McIntyre, Omaha Student Chapter President

On the weekend of January 18, I was fortunate to be able to attend the Second Annual SAME Student Leadership Conference in Denver, Colorado. The conference was hosted in conjunction with the SAME Leadership Conference. It allowed the student leaders from around the country an opportunity to meet and discuss operations at their posts, and to help lay out a student charter-type document. The students were given a number of presentations including topics such as what to expect after graduation and a personal finance primer. Another excellent opportunity was the meals with service chiefs. We were able to have a lunch question and answer session with Lt. Gen. Strock, the chief of Army Engineers, and we had a breakfast session with R. Adm. Barror, the head of the Public Health Service.

Events like these are excellent for students to attend, as they allow us to meet other student members as well as make connections with those who may be leading SAME in the future. I would like to thank the Omaha Post for making my attendance possible, and I hope that we will be able to send students from our chapter to future leadership events.

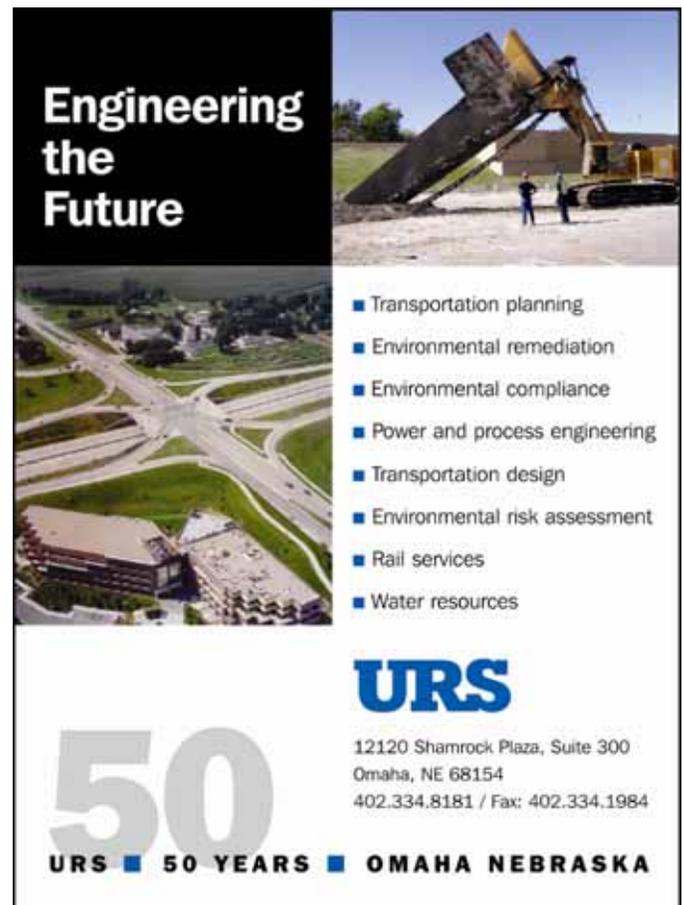


Student Leadership Conference in Denver, CO

URS AWARDED INDEFINITE DELIVERY / INDEFINITE QUANTITY CONTRACT BY THE US AIR FORCE, AIR COMBAT COMMAND

URS Corporation has been awarded an indefinite delivery / indefinite quantity contract by the US Air Force, Air Combat Command (ACC) to provide engineering, construction and other services on government installations under the ACC Design Build, Restore, Remediate (DBR2) program. With a program

ceiling of \$500 million for all eight contracts awarded, the Omaha office will serve as the program management office for URS' contract. Under the terms of the contract, as the government issues specific task orders, URS will provide a broad range of services on projects, including restoration, performance-based remediation, vertical and horizontal construction, repair and maintenance, demolition, force protection and homeland security services that support environmental requirements. Tasks can be executed worldwide for the Air Force and other Federal Agencies. URS Corporation offers a comprehensive range of professional planning and design, systems engineering and technical assistance, program and construction management, and operations and maintenance services for transportation, commercial/industrial, facilities, environmental, water/wastewater, homeland security, installations and logistics, and defense systems. Headquartered in San Francisco, the Company operates in more than 20 countries with approximately 29,400 employees providing engineering and technical services to federal, state and local governmental agencies as well as private clients in the chemical, pharmaceutical, oil and gas, power, manufacturing, mining and forest products industries (www.urscorp.com).



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HDR'S MATT HARVEY RECEIVES NATIONAL MENTORING AWARD

Matt Harvey, a senior vice president and national director of federal programs for HDR Engineering, Inc., has been selected to receive the Academy of Fellows Mentoring Award. The medal is presented annually by the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME). The official ceremony took place on March 31.



Harvey was cited "for exceptionally meritorious achievement and outstanding performance as a mentor throughout more than three decades as an engineer, member and fellow of the Society of American Military Engineers. . . He never wavered from his commitment to promoting the value of engineering and engineering careers to those coming up behind him."

In 1991, Harvey became one of the youngest people ever appointed to the SAME National Board of Direction and was appointed to the Academy of Fellows in 1996. He also has served as president of the SAME Omaha Post, which under his leadership expanded a student mentoring program that has been replicated in posts throughout the country. Now in its 11th year, the Student Initiative Mentoring Program has directly impacted more than 4,100 Omaha-area middle-school and high-school students. Harvey also was instrumental in developing HDR's internal mentoring program for engineers. He has been with HDR since 1995.

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THE SCHEMMER ASSOCIATES INC. ANNOUNCES GREEN AS INTERIOR DESIGNER

The Schemmer Associates Inc., a full-service architecture, engineering and planning firm, announces that Lynn Green has joined the firm as an interior designer.

Green has 20 years experience in the design industry with a variety of experience in all aspects of the design process. She has continually expanded her knowledge while focusing on interiors and products for use in interior design with emphasis on safe and healthy environments. Green also continues to research interior design trends in healthcare and senior housing environments.

About The Schemmer Associates Inc.

The Schemmer Associates Inc. (TSA) is a full-service, multidiscipline architectural and engineering firm focused on meeting our clients' diverse needs. TSA began providing consulting services nearly 50 years ago. Since then, our reputable firm has developed into a comprehensive, single-source organization prepared to offer clients a complete range of architectural, civil, structural, and mechanical and electrical engineering, as well as planning services. Our professional design staff comprises civil and geotechnical engineers, transportation engineers, architects, landscape

architects, community and regional planners, structural, mechanical and electrical engineers, and estimators, public participation specialists, construction contract administrators and surveyors – all of whom have developed efficient project methods involving multiuse coordination and design. Our management of these methods has been refined by our skilled and experienced professionals, our modern technological resources, and our philosophy of providing a “total service package,” enabling us to offer clients responsible involvement from concept to completion. Headquartered in Omaha, Nebraska, TSA also has regional offices in Lincoln, Nebraska, and Council Bluffs, Iowa. For more information, please visit www.schemmer.com.

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AMEC Earth & Environmental has won the highly coveted 2007 Dwight D. Eisenhower Award for Excellence in the Construction category from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). The award will be presented on April 23, during Small Business Week, in Washington D.C. The award, created in 1991 and named for the president under whose administration the SBA was founded, honors large federal prime contractors that have excelled in their utilization of small businesses as suppliers and subcontractors.

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BAY WEST AWARDED \$8.9M IN TASK ORDERS UNDER USACE OMAHA DISTRICT ERSC

Bay West, Inc., an environmental services company, announced that it has been awarded several firm-fixed price environmental services task orders by the US Army Corps of Engineers, Omaha District in the last 3 months.

- Bay West will perform a Comprehensive Site Evaluation (CSE) Phase II at Edwards Air Force Base, California, under the Air Force's Military Munitions Response Program (MMRP).
- Bay West has been awarded an MMRP remedial investigation and feasibility study of an Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) demolition range at the US Army's Charles Melvin Price Support, Center, Illinois.
- At Cornhusker AAP, Nebraska, Bay West will manage long-term operation/long-term maintenance (LTO/LTM) activities of the site's groundwater extraction and treatment system over the next 3 years. Work will also include implementing an in situ biotreatment pilot study for impacted ground water.
- Bay West is performing a Preliminary Assessment (PA) and analysis of munitions, hazardous waste, and radioactive materials at the Nevada Test and Training Range, Nevada.

These task orders, totaling \$8.9M, were issued under Bay West's Omaha District ERS contract, a mechanism that allows Bay West to be accessed by Omaha District customers in the continental United States. Projects under this contract encompass the full range of environmental services from site characterizations and investigations, to design and engineering, to remediation and site closure.

Bay West provides environmental, industrial, and emergency services to commercial and Government customers nationally. For more information on Bay West, log onto www.baywest.com.



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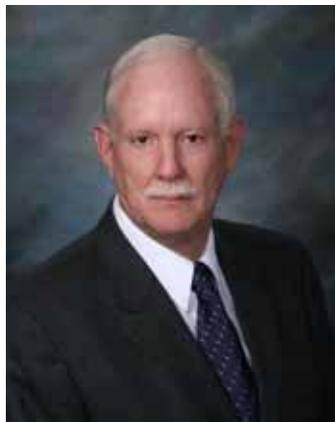
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THE SCHEMMER ASSOCIATES INC. ANNOUNCES LINKLETTER AS PROJECT ARCHITECT



The Schemmer Associates (TSA) Inc., a full-service architecture, engineering and planning firm, announces that James Linkletter has joined the firm as a Project Architect.

Linkletter has over 40 years of experience in architectural design and project management, and is a Registered Professional Architect in the State of

Nebraska. He has participated in a broad range of project types both locally and nationally, with a variety of experience in all aspects of the design process.

James' community involvement is extensive; including holding the Past President position of the Brown Park Neighborhood Association for 15 years, Past Member of the Omaha Plumbing Board for 12 years, Past Commander American Legion Post 331 for South Omaha, American Legion Department of Nebraska Children and Youth Committee, and Past President of South Omaha Merchants Association.



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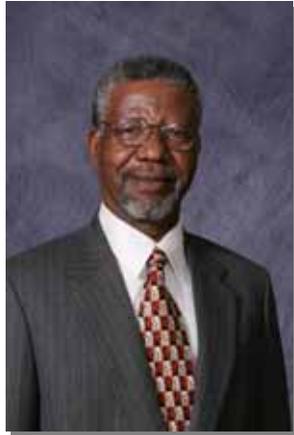
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HDR'S LABODE NAMED ONE OF MOST IMPORTANT BLACKS IN TECHNOLOGY

The editors of *US Black Engineer & Information Technology* magazine (www.blackengineer.com) have selected Bode Labode, a senior vice president and chief mechanical engineer based in HDR's Omaha office, as one of the Most Important Blacks in Technology for 2007.



Honorees are chosen for their work making technology part of the global society, and during the year the list is publicized, are presented to young people as role models.

A registered professional engineer with more than 40 years of experience, Labode has designed or managed a variety of inventive projects including power generation facilities, waste-to-energy plants, industrial process systems, water pollution abatement systems and railroad service facilities. His projects have been located in the United States and foreign countries.

Being a role model is not new to Labode, who has been active both in HDR's internal career mentoring program and a program for 7th grade students at Sacred Heart Grade School in Omaha. Along with his wife Evelyn, he introduced and facilitated the Youth Leadership Program, a national Toastmasters program that became part of the curriculum for the school's entire 8th grade class.

The awards were presented at the 21st annual Black Engineer of the Year Awards Conference, which was held February 15-17 in Baltimore, MD. The conference recognizes the outstanding achievements of African-Americans in science, engineering and technology.

STUDENT MENTORING ENGINEERING/ ARCHITECTURAL COMPETITION

By Roy Singleton

The Omaha Post is hosting the 13th annual Student Mentoring Engineering/Architectural Competition and Awards on Wednesday April 18, 2007 in the Scott Conference Center on the South Campus of the University of Nebraska at Omaha, 6450 Pine Street.

The Competition starts at 8:30 am and will run to approximately 3:30 pm. More than 330 students are participating. There are 14 Middle School teams and 17 High School teams from Eastern Nebraska and

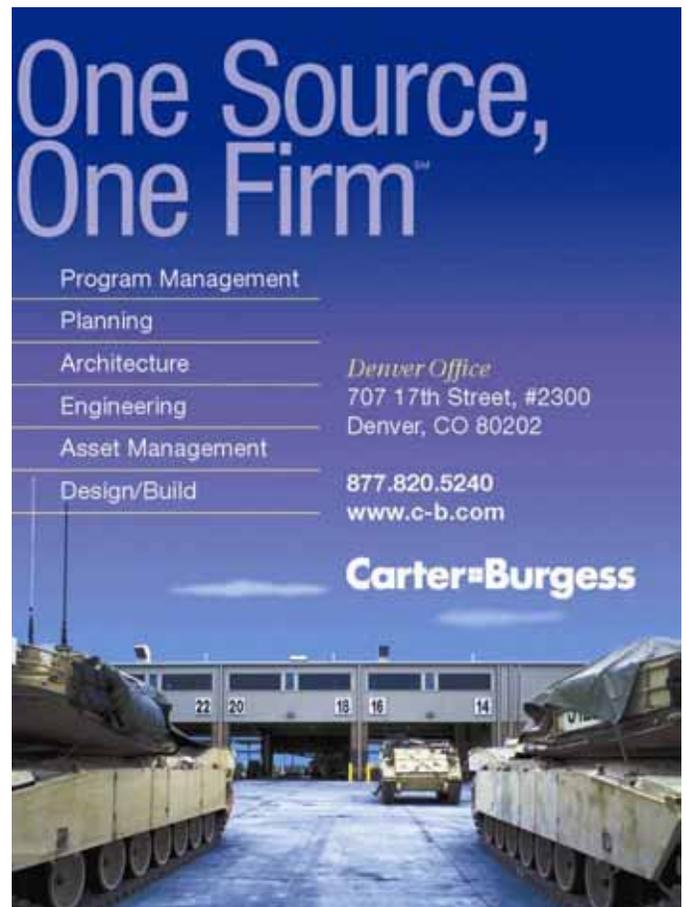
Western Iowa competing for 12 cash awards ranging from to \$250 to \$1,000 and a \$1,000 scholarship. Our goal is to introduce pre-college students to "Real World" engineering/architectural concepts. This is accomplished through a six-month program in which each team identifies a project, researches that project, writes a report and gives a presentation on the report. Each team is mentored by professionals from the many local Engineering and Architectural firms who volunteer at least one hour apiece each week over the six-month period. This year there are 74 mentors. The reports and presentations are judged by 20 professionals from the Engineering/Architectural fields.

The Awards Ceremony is from 7:00 pm to about 8:00 pm in the Scott Conference Center. The teams will showcase their projects from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm preceding the Awards Ceremony.

The Keynote speaker will be Mr. David Sinsheimer from Kiewit Construction. Mr. Sinsheimer has 28 years of engineering experience with Kiewit from field engineer to designer, to supervisor.

All are invited to attend!

Additional information may be obtained on the web site at <http://www.pki.nebraska.edu/simp/>



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THE SCHEMMER ASSOCIATES INC. ANNOUNCES KLOSTERMANN AS MANAGER OF GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING

The Schemmer Associates Inc., a full-service engineering, architecture and planning firm, announces the opening of a new department offering geotechnical engineering services. Loras Klostermann has joined the firm as the manager of geotechnical engineering. His role is to develop and manage geotechnical engineering and material testing services.

Klostermann has over 22 years of experience as a professional geotechnical engineer with experience in transportation, municipal, commercial, industrial, earth dam, flood control, and other improvements projects. Klostermann also has extensive experience with construction testing of soils, concrete and asphalt, as well as special observation of foundation elements. He is a past officer and current member of the Nebraska Section of American Society of Civil Engineers, and is currently serving as Region Governor for Nebraska and Wyoming. He is also a member of the Omaha Engineers Club.

“The addition of geotechnical engineering is part of Schemmer’s strategic growth initiative to add complimentary services to the firm’s traditional core services of architecture and engineering. This new service will enhance the capabilities of the firm and will provide clients with additional benefits and convenience of a full-service firm.”

Frank Comisar, President & CEO
The Schemmer Associates



B.J. SKAR JOINS HDR AVIATION TEAM

B.J. Skar has joined HDR as program manager for the company’s airport/airfield pavements and infrastructure program. He will support the company’s aviation program from the Omaha office and serve both federal and civil clients.

Prior to joining HDR, Skar was a senior airfield engineer for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Transportations Systems Center. A registered professional engineer, he has more than 34 years of experience in planning, design and construction of aviation facilities around the world.



BAY WEST ANNOUNCES NEW HIRES, PROMOTION

Bay West, Inc., an environmental and industrial services company, is proud to announce the promotion and hires of several key personnel in response to overall growth in 2006. "Bay West's existing contracts in conjunction with new contract awards have allowed us to meet our growth goals, add depth to our consulting and contracting services, and strengthen our infrastructure to meet planned future growth," said Ed Bacig, Vice President of Operations. Bacig and his other co-owners, Lon Larson and Gene Kuppenbender, have been working to diversify and position the company for wider expansion in the Government sector, while maintaining its strong commercial foundation.

Patrick Martin has taken over as Emergency Response Manager for Bay West's hazardous materials 24-hour response services. His 23 years of experience includes managing the University of Minnesota's hazardous materials response/environmental health and safety activities, and serving as a US Marines Corps' Nuclear Biological and Chemical Defense specialist.



Patrick Martin

Dan Hannan, ASP has been promoted to Corporate Safety & Health Manager. He brings 15 years of experience performing safety and health on environmental remediation projects, and will oversee all corporate and operational safety & health issues.



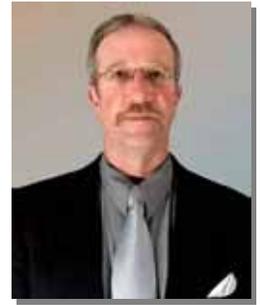
Dan Hannan, ASP

Steve Thornton has been hired as the Seattle Office Manager, managing Bay West's growing federal environmental programs in the Pacific Northwest, specifically for the US Army Corps of Engineers and the US EPA. He brings 22 years of environmental experience with national and international companies such as Foss/NRCES (a division of Seacor) and Phillips Environmental Services.



Steve Thornton

Greg Kimball, PG, has been hired as Sr. Project Manager/Hydrogeologist, to manage State and commercial projects and provide geology/hydrogeology-related guidance to our technical team. His 29 years of experience includes 18 years in environmental consulting, 6 years with the South Dakota Department of Environment and Natural Resources, and a year with the Wisconsin Geological & Natural History Survey.



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HDR CELEBRATES 90 YEARS OF “WORK WELL DONE”

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The company’s first project was designing a power house for the city of Ogallala, Neb. Similar projects followed as the firm helped cities and towns throughout the Midwest create the water, sewer, electric and road systems that would help them emerge from frontier status. The company built a reputation for quality and integrity, operating under the philosophy “Work Well Done.”

That commitment to integrity still holds true throughout the company, today expressed as “Doing the right things for the right reasons.”

During the 1930s, Henningson Engineering became a leader in rural electrification. It also gained key personnel in Charles Durham and Willard Richardson, who would become the “D” and “R” in HDR. The company officially became known as Henningson, Durham & Richardson, Inc. in 1950, and the name was later shortened to HDR.

HDR has done military work for more than 60 years, starting with its first assignment designing a winter training camp for the Quartermaster General of the U.S. Army in 1941. Since then, the firm has provided facilities design, master planning and environmental permitting and compliance for all branches of the United States Military both here and abroad. Projects range from master planning for the Minot Air Force base in North Dakota in 1955 to designing a



Merle Bachman, President, HDR Architecture, Inc.; Terry Cox, Chief Financial Officer, HDR, Inc.; Dick Bell, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, HDR, Inc.; and George Little, President, HDR Engineering, Inc.

replacement for the Walter Reed Medical Center in Fort Belvoir, VA., today. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers commissioned increasing numbers of projects throughout the 1950s, and work continues today on projects as varied as Missouri River mitigation and Louisiana coastal restoration.

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A graduate of the University of Nebraska at Lincoln, Herrera has over 15 years of experience, and is a Registered Architect in the State of Nebraska. Herrera has participated in a broad range of project types including retail, commercial office buildings, multi-family housing, healthcare, and gaming and hospitality. He specializes in schematic design, design development, contract documentation, and construction administration.



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