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President's Message

By Joe Vitale, Arcadis - Malcolm Pirnie

As the newly elected President of the Boston Post, I would like to briefly reflect on the 50th Spring Meeting Gala Celebration that occurred on May 18th at the Newton Marriott. What a great event! The turnout was tremendous with over 330 attendees, especially considering the current economic climate. The Spring Meeting Committee under the leadership of Sheila Warren did a tremendous job selecting the venue, organizing the event, and fundraising to support the scholarship program. I would also like to congratulate Joe Bocchino for his efforts to bring the Under Secretary of the U.S. Army Dr. Joseph W. Westphal as our guest speaker. It was an honor to have Dr. Westphal and his guests including LTG Robert Durbin (Director of Army Business Transformation) and MG Genaro Dellarocco (Program Executive Officer at Redstone Arsenal) at our event.

Dr. Westphal could not have been more gracious and supportive to our members and the students receiving the endowed and post scholarships. As you are aware, the tradition of awarding scholarships to worthy students began with a modest sum awarded to a single student. Since that time the Post has grown and the membership and sustaining companies have worked hard to endow scholarships and raise funds to award to students at this annual event. For the 50th Spring Meeting Gala, we awarded \$56,000 in scholarships to support students seeking careers in engineering and science.

I would like to thank the scholarship committee who worked tirelessly to resolve many challenges due to a faltering economy to maintain the Post level of scholarship funding. It is important to note that none of the awards presented at the Spring Meeting would have been possible without the support of our sustaining firms and our hardworking membership. I want to thank Cosmo Gallinaro and the Board of Directors for their guidance and support during this transition. I look forward to working with the Board of Directors, the Committee Chairs, and the membership and I fully expect to have another great year at the Boston Post.

In closing, I am challenging the memberships to increase their participation at the Committee Level. This is where our mission at the Boston Post is accomplished and the committee chairs and I need your support.

Past Presidents: S.P. Volpe; C. Rogers; J. Cusack; COL J. Mason; L. McGrath; S. Sachs; J. Ignazio; G. Bottger; J. Lukacz; B. Barton; T. O'Connor, Jr.; C. Sciple; E. Condon; E. Greco; J. Bocchino; M. Bradbury; W. Mininberg; T. Follett; J. Bryant; J. Lindberg; S. Warren; W. Seymour; J. Gerstenlauer; D. Heims; A. Fillip; D. Margolis; and, C. Gallinaro

Young Members Corner

By Mark Anderson, USACE

The Young Member Committee has maintained its active posture with support to the Golf Tournament on June 8th, followed up by a networking dinner social on the June 22nd, and attendance at a Lowell Spinners game on July 12th. By the time you read this, the golf tournament was a huge success with Young Members generously populating the field and the networking dinner was a social hit. These types of activities are growing the Post next generation and we're having fun doing it.

Our July event will see the return of another successful past event - the Lowell Spinners baseball game!! This year's game will be on Monday, July 12th against the Brooklyn Cyclones at 7:05 pm. Tickets are only \$6.00 each, but only a limited amount are available, so sign up early! Bring your friends, family, and co-workers out to the game for a great night at the ballpark, and check out the future of the hometown Boston Red Sox. Please sign up with Mark Anderson at 978-394-2940 or mark.j.anderson.jr@usace.army.mil to reserve your seats for this great event. Don't delay, as tickets will go quickly!!!!



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POST CALENDAR

Date, Day & Time

Event & POC

4th of July

Celebrate the Greatest Country on Earth.

No July 2010 Monthly Meeting of the Post.

12 July	Mon	1905	Lowell Spinners sponsored by Young Members
13 July	Tue	1630	Post Board of Directors at Savin Hill Yacht Club 400 Morrissey Blvd, Boston – 1 st Quarterly
23 July	Fri	early	SAME Piscataqua Post Golf Tournament
10 Aug	Tue	1130	Boston Post Monthly Meeting – Outreach
20 Aug	Fri	early	SAME Narragansett Post Golf Tournament
6 Sep	Labor Day		Take the day off and enjoy it. <i>You've earned it.</i>
12 Sep	National Grandparents Day <i>They've earned it.</i>		
14 Sep	Tue	1130	Boston Post Monthly Meeting – topic TBD
26 Sep	Sun	1230	Post Board of Directors at the Bocchino's 4 Tara Terrace, Millis, MA – 2 nd Quarterly
4 Oct	Mon	0800	Boston Post "Fall Classic" Golf Tournament
12 Oct	Tue	1130	Boston Post Monthly Meeting – topic TBD
9 Nov	Tue	1130	Boston Post Monthly Meeting – topic TBD
11 Nov	Veterans Day		Please remember those who have served.
18 Nov	Thur	1100	NJ SAME Annual Federal Program Brief



Boston Post S. Peter Volpe Award Winners

<u>Year</u>	<u>Current Active</u>	<u>Emeritus</u>
1991	Leo McGrath	
1992	George Bottger	
1993	Joe Ignazio	Don Martin
1994	Ed Hammond	
1995	Chan Rogers	Frankie "Noto"
1996	Ed Condon	Joe Gardella
1997	Ed Morris	Ed Greco
1998	Joe Bocchino	
1999	Wendy Stone	Jack Caffrey
2000	Tom Follett	Frank Hall
2001	Brian Balukonis	Tom O'Connor, Jr.
2002	Sheila Warren	Carl Sciple
2003	John Lukacz	John Price
2004	Jon Lindberg	
2005	Ron Paine	Jack Bryant
2006	Christen Sardano	
2007	Mike Bradbury	Jack White
2008	John Gerstenlauer	COL Andy Nelson
2009	Deb Heims	Jack Cusack
2010	Mark Anderson	Joe McElroy

News & Views... June/July 2010

by Joe Bocchino, Bocchino Consulting

⇒ Post Sustaining Member **Maxymillian Technologies** moved to larger offices just down the road in Waltham. Their **new address** is 890 Winter Street, Suite 225. All other contact info remains the same. The *Bugle* sends its best to our pals at Maxy Tech & wishes them much success in their new home. Essayons. ... AND – they begin that success w/ their JV partner Tidewater Inc., **winning a USACE Kansas City PRAC award**. OohRah! ... AND - Maxymillian is announces the addition of Lynsey Willard to their staff of professionals in Waltham. Congrats to Post officers **Neal Maxymillian and Sheila Warren**, and the whole gang at Maxy Tech.

⇒ Did you know there were **thirteen hands on the statue of the Marines raising the flag on Iwo Jima?** Twelve belong to the soldiers. The other is God's. Now you know.

⇒ The Post Outreach Committee sponsored a **Rocket Club at the Pierce Middle School in Milton, MA**. The launch was on 27 May – and we fueled it! Twenty future engineers and scientists enjoyed the thrill of their early lives. Essayons.

⇒ On 23 May, Post Sustaining Member **Fay, Spofford & Thorndike** celebrated the opening of its most recent designed and constructed trail project – the Old Eastern Marsh Rail Trail in Salisbury, MA. The 1.4 mile trail begins with Merrimack River scenery and winds thru the picturesque Great Marsh – the largest salt marsh in New England. Another OohRah.

⇒ While the U.S. pays more for medical care per person than any other country, **Massachusetts residents payed 25% more for our medical care than the national average in 2009**. Massachusetts = \$11,100. Rest of the country = \$8,800. Too bad, huh? What are we going to do?

⇒ Post Sustaining Member **RS&H** announces that **Carolyn Creighton, daughter of Post Member Kathy Creighton** (Shaw Group) recently joined the Aerospace & Defense Program of RS&H, Inc. Carolyn, who is interested in the aerospace field is serving as an engineering intern in the Brockton office for the summer and then onto Purdue University in the fall where she will enter the Engineering Honors Program. Essayons.

⇒ **Think Massachusetts gas tax is too much?** Well – we are right in the middle of the Nation. At 23.5 cents/gal, there are 24 states charging more, and 25 less. Now you know.

⇒ **June/July is Flag Day/Independence day time**. So – did you know that the Betsy Ross alleged sewing of the first American Flag is legend never proved or disproved? **Betsy got involved because General Washington used her to embroider ruffles on his shirts**. Legend also says it was Betsy who persuaded Washington and representatives from the Continental Congress the stars should be five-pointed and not six (*Ed. Note* - unknowingly avoiding centuries of religious dispute). More stuff for summer BBQs: Red stripes stand for "Hardiness & Valor;" white for "Purity & Innocence;" and, the Blue field of stars for "Vigilance, Perseverance, & Justice."

⇒ The *Bugle* staff proposes these things an adult should do this summer to re-affirm command of their environment: **Repair an appliance** because you can; **Fly the red-eye from Vegas** because there's bound to be a good story; **Drive the Pacific Coast Highway** before the earthquakes get it; **Buy a Veteran a beer** - listen to their war stories and ask questions; **Overeat for a week in Italy** – now that sounds like fun; and, **Go horseback riding** – it's a cowboy thing. Essayons

⇒ **"Political Correctness"** is a doctrine, fostered by a delusional and illogical minority lacking constructive skills and unable to contribute to society, *rabidly* promoted by a liberal agenda-driven mainstream media hell bent on destroying our economy by proposing it is entirely possible to pick up a turd by the clean end. We here at the *Bugle* find it hard to argue with this definition.

⇒ The average American walks about 900 miles each year. The average American drinks 22 gallons of alcohol annually. That means the **average American gets about 41 miles to the gallon**.

⇒ **Before Edison invented the light bulb, people slept an average of 10 hrs (per night)**. Today Americans average 6.9 hrs during the week and 7.5 hrs on the weekends. Seems like turning out the lights will not only save energy – it'll give us the rest we need. Essayons

Happy 4th of July

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