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President's Corner



First off I just wanted to say thank you again to everyone that participated in our 19th Annual Education and Mentoring Golf Tournament. It was a great event and I really appreciate the turn out. I especially want to thank all of our sponsors and those that donated items: Clark-Nexsen, New South Construction, Flint Energies, Geosyntec Consultants, Pond-Raymond Engineering Joint Venture, Top Gun Contracting, Test America, Georgia Power, Southern Charm General Store, Merrick, Benham/Haskell, Metro Power, and Schneider Electric. The tournament simply could not work without all of our sponsors and donors. Another big thanks goes to our volunteers that helped out on the day.

I promise that our SAME Robins AFB Post elections will not be as stressful as the other elections going on, but YES it is almost Post election time! We will be looking for leadership in every one of our positions. We have a number of people who have held leadership positions for a number of years that may remain, some may rotate to a new position, and some may rotate off all together. We have a great deal of opportunities coming up and WE REALLY NEED YOUR TALENT AND EXPERIENCE to make our Post even more productive than before. Any of the Directors and Officers listed in the back of this Flyer would be glad to talk with you about what they do. It has been said that "many hands make light work" and the same is true when it comes to running a volunteer organization like ours. So join us!

SAME National Focus Areas

1. Ensure Vibrant and Value Added Programs—Create Value for All
2. Support STEM—Share Your Passion, Grow Your Replacement
3. Focus on Veteran Transitions—Help 6,000 military transition from Service over the next 4 years

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Thanks,
Mike Coats



Interested in becoming an Officer for the Post? Talk with a Board Member today!

I want YOU for the Robins SAME Post!

Preview of November 2016 SAME Presentation. This presentation will be given by Mr. Mike Coats and Dr. Philip McCreanor.



The Robins SAME Post will be holding a joint meeting with its Student Chapter for its' November general meeting at Mercer University. Post members and students will get to eat lunch together, get to know one another, and attend a presentation, given by our Post President, Mr. Mike Coats, on the benefits of SAME from a student's and post member's perspective.

The faculty advisor of our Student Chapter, Dr. Philip McCreanor, will also be giving a presentation on a joint venture called Go Baby Go! which will bring engineering students and volunteers together to work on retrofitting motorized toy cars that can be used by children that have limited mobility to allow them the freedom to move and play as kids should do. For more information on this project, see page 3.



Meeting Time and Location Change!

We typically have our general meetings on the third Wednesday of the month but for November, we will be holding our meeting on **Monday, November 14th**. The meeting location has changed as well as we will be having a joint meeting with our Student Chapter group at Mercer University.

The meeting will be held the School of Engineering building at Mercer University, Room 210 from 12:15 to 1:45 PM. Lunch will be provided as well so if you plan on attending, please go to: <http://doodle.com/poll/eg7czhwxxhakgaw2v> to RSVP by **10 November**. We'll see you there!

Upcoming Events: Things to do

2016 Small Business Conference: 16-18 November in Atlanta, GA. Highlights for this conference include Matched Networking Sessions, Program Briefings, and Plenary Sessions. Register today at: <http://www.same.org/calendar/ModuleID/6303/ItemID/740/mctl/EventDetails>.

Go Baby Go! Build Weekend: 2-3 December at Mercer University. The Student Chapter is asking for volunteers that would like to assist engineering students with building retrofitted toy cars for kids with limited mobility. Event will start on 02 December (3-6 PM) and continue on 03 December (10AM—4PM). For more information on this wonderful initiative, please visit: <http://sites.udel.edu/gobabygo/>.

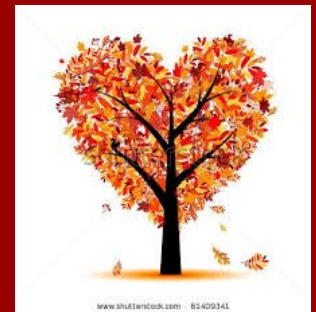
For more events, please see page 3.



The next Robins Post General Meeting will be held on **14 November 2016 at 12:15 pm**. The meeting will be held **OFF BASE** at Mercer University. All are welcome.

UPCOMING DATES FOR 2016:

14 November: 12:15 Hours: The Post will be holding a joint meeting with our Student Chapter at Mercer University's School of Engineering (Rm 210). Lunch will be provided. Please sign up so the Post can get an accurate head count at: <http://doodle.com/poll/eg7czhwxxhakgaw2v>. Please RSVP by 10 November.



December: No general meeting but there will be a board meeting scheduled. All are welcome to attend.

UPCOMING DATES FOR 2017:

18 January: 1130 Hours: SAME General Meeting immediately preceded by SAME Robins Post Board/Officer's Meeting. Presentation will be giving by Southern Company on storm restoration.

DON'T FORGET ABOUT ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS!!! Nominate yourself or someone whom you think would be a good fit for the position! See a Board Member for more details.

SAME MISSION

"To provide education and support to the engineering components of the military and uniformed services, and other federal, state and local government agencies responsible for the nation's infrastructure, and to advance the partnership between government and the architecture, engineering and construction industry in the interest of national security."

SAME VISION

"To be a premier global engineering organization leading the professional and personal growth of all members in support of military readiness and development of solutions to national security challenges."

Partnership with the Student Chapter

Created by Drs. James Galloway and Sam Logan of the University of Delaware, the Go Baby Go initiative is a program that provides mobility to children with cognitive or physical disabilities by giving them retrofitted toy cars that they can operate themselves. This allows these children to have the ability to move and interact with their environment which so critical for their mental and physical development as they grow. Motorized wheelchairs are extremely pricey and most cannot accommodate very young children (typically reserved by kids above the age three) and so, the retrofitted toy cars are a great alternative to enable children to form a sense of independence while developing their social skills simply because they are able to play with their peers.



The Go Baby Go initiative has spread across multiple universities and communities nationwide and the Engineering Honor Society at Mercer University will be partnering with the Robins SAME Post Student Chapter and other local organizations for the first Go Baby Go workshop in Georgia.



To hear more about this program, Dr. McCreanor of Mercer University will be giving a presentation at our joint meeting scheduled for Monday, 14 November. There is also a call for volunteers who would like to help with the building of these cars at the workshop scheduled for 2-3 December (see the events section for more details). To learn more about the original Go Baby Go initiative, please visit: <http://sites.udel.edu/gobabygo/>.

**At GoBabyGo! we are committed to a single, urgent vision:
All people exploring their world via independent mobility!**

Events continued...

Post Elections: 18 January at the general meeting. The 2017 Board will be elected at the January general meeting. If you or anyone you know is interested in becoming more active in SAME, please talk with a board member today! Nominations need to be submitted by 28 December. The positions that are up for election are:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> President | <input type="checkbox"/> Vice President | <input type="checkbox"/> Secretary | <input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance | <input type="checkbox"/> National Liaison | <input type="checkbox"/> Education & Mentoring | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Enlisted Advisor | | | |

SAME—IFMA Facilities Management Workshop: 8-10 February in San Antonio, TX. Presented in partnership with International Facility Management Association, the SAME/IFMA Facilities Management Workshop is an intensive two-day series of sessions for facilities management practitioners addressing topics including facilities management best practices, asset management, lifecycle sustainability, energy efficiency and strategic sourcing. The workshop provides insight from both the public and private sectors on emerging trends in facilities management and related fields and includes networking functions and an exhibit hall. For more information on this event, visit: http://s3.goeshow.com/same_ifma/workshop/2017/home.cfm.

2017 SAME Capital Week: 7-8 March in North Bethesda, MD. A premiere annual week of events held every March that brings together government and industry leaders to the National Capital Region for SAME's DoD & Federal Agency Program Briefings, the Academy of Fellows Investiture, and the Golden Eagle Awards Dinner, as well as a number of other SAME-related events, workshops and meetings. More information available at: http://s3.goeshow.com/same/dod/2017/capital_week.cfm.

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