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Preview of August 2013 SAME Presentation, entitled "78 Civil Engineer Group Program Review". This presentation will be given by Ms. Becky McCoy of the 778th Civil Engineer Squadron.

78 Civil Engineer Group Program Review

The 78th Civil Engineer Group (CEG) is one of three Groups under the 78th Air Base Wing (ABW) which is responsible for all support services and facilities on Robins AFB. Our mission is to provide, operate, maintain, restore, and protect the Robins AFB infrastructure, facilities, housing and environment as necessary to support air and space forces, having global reach and power across the range of military operations.

The 78th CEG provides engineering and fire protection services, maintains real property, accomplishes alteration and new construction, protects and conserves natural resources, manages contract services, and maintains facilities, serving over 23,000 people on 6,935 acres at Robins AFB. The 78th CEG also manages military family privatized housing units, and dormitory rooms.

Becky McCoy the Director of the 778th Civil Engineer Squadron will be giving a presentation on the Robins AFB construction programs.



Tour in September: Houston County 9-1-1 Call Center



In lieu of a regular meeting, the Post will be touring the Houston County Emergency Call Center on 18 September. Some Post members will be eating lunch at the China Buffet on Russell Parkway at 11 AM before leaving for the tour, all are welcome to attend. Those who just wish to attend the tour may meet at the China Buffet at 12:15, where members will carpool to the Call Center. If you are interested in attending this tour or have any questions about the tour, please contact the Post Secretary at esther.lee-altman@us.af.mil or the Co-Director of Emergency Preparedness at

joe.ballard.1@us.af.mil. We would like to get a headcount of those who are going in order to notify the Call Center beforehand. Please RSVP by 12 September.

SAME Spotlight: Member of the Month



Col Ray Willcocks, PE, F.SAME USAF (Ret), is a member of both the Robins Post and the Atlanta Post. After 24 years of service, he retired in June 2001, where his last assignment was as the Deputy Civil Engineer for the Air National Guard, at Andrews AFB, MD. Following retirement he worked for ManTech, on their Diplomatic Security programs, and for the Washington Metropolitan Transit Authority, where he was responsible for the design and construction of the Chemical detection system installed in the underground portion of Metro. Ray moved to GA in 2003, and began working for Megadoor, a manufacturer of vertical lift fabric style doors for aircraft hangars and brought their Federal/Military program up from \$3.2M per year to an average of \$9.6M per year. He retired from Megadoor in November 2012. Ray keeps busy these days with Boy Scouts (Assistant Scoutmaster, Unit Commissioner, Campmaster, Merit Badge Counselor, and Flint River Council Vice President for Camping); American Legion (Post 105 Chaplain); and of course with SAME. As a Life Member of the Society, he has held several positions in SAME, including Chair of the National Readiness Committee (he still sits on this committee), Vice Chair of the Academy of Fellows, Past Post President of the Atlanta Post, and is currently the South Atlantic Region Fellows Coordinator and the President of the Atlanta Post.

Ray currently resides in Peachtree City with his wife Joan and son John.

Presenter's Bio: Becky McCoy

Ms. Rebecca McCoy is the Director of the 778 Civil Engineer Squadron, 78 Civil Engineer Group, 78 Air Base Wing, Robins Air Force Base, Georgia. She is responsible for engineering, design, programming, construction management, and project management for the Air Logistics Complex, 78 Air Base Wing, and Mission Partners at Robins Air Force Base.



Ms. McCoy began her engineering career in the private sector as a government contractor doing primarily restoration work. She joined the Civil Service in 1999. Ms. McCoy has managed environmental and engineering programs during her career. She has been a registered professional engineer since 2000 and is a past post President of the Society of American Military Engineers Robins Post.



The next Robins Post General Meeting will be held on **21 August 2013 at 11:30 am**. The meeting will be held at China Buffet on Russell Pkwy. All are welcome.

UPCOMING DATES FOR 2013:

21 August: 1130 Hours: SAME General Meeting immediately preceded by SAME Robins Post Board Meeting. The 778th Civil Engineer Squadron will be giving a presentation entitled "2013-2014 Program Requirements".

18 September: Tour of Houston County 9-1-1 Center. Meeting at the China buffet for lunch (optional at 11AM) and leaving from there to go on tour by 12:30. Please contact the Post Secretary or Co-Director of Emergency Preparedness if you would like to sign up for this tour. RSVP by 12 September.

10 October: Fall Golf Tournament at the Landings. See article on page 4 for more information.

22-24 October: The Mobile and Pensacola Post will be hosting this year's South Atlantic/South Central Joint Engineering Training Symposium with a theme of "Building upon Service: A Bridge to the Future". The SA/SC JETS is currently calling for abstracts for potential speakers. For more information, please contact Bill Bersion at bbersion@hcr-construction.com.



REMINDER:

The SAME Robins Post now has a Facebook Page! Check us out at: <http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/SAME-Robins/249252775150214>.

Don't forget to Like us so that you can received the latest news from SAME!

SAME Mission

“To promote and facilitate engineering support for national security by developing and enhancing relationships and competencies among uniformed services, public and private sector engineers, and related professionals.”

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.”

Summer Engineering Camp 2013

SAME offers a very unique series of engineering camps designed for High School students who excel in math, science and technical courses and are interested in pursuing engineering in college. These one-week camps are high energy, hands-on events for students from across the country and around the world. The camps are led by a professional staff of engineers from both private industry and the military services.



Each year, the Post sponsors a student to attend one of the SAME Engineering & Construction camps, and Mr. Ian McGaughey, a Junior at Jackson County Comprehensive High School, was our selected recipient for 2013.

To read about the rest of Ian’s story and see pictures of his trip, continue to page 4.

Sustaining Member Spotlight: URS

URS Corporation is a fully integrated engineering, construction and technical services organization with the capabilities to support every stage of the project life cycle. The Company offers a full range of program management; planning, design and engineering (all types, including civil and environmental); systems engineering and technical assistance; construction and construction management; operations and maintenance (including aircraft); and decommissioning and closure services.

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- ✦ traffic/ITS and transportation engineering;
- ✦ site development;
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16th Annual Education & Mentoring Fundraising Golf Tournament

SAVE THE DATE: **OCTOBER 10, 2013**
(*Rain Date: Oct 17*)



Events will begin at 10:30 AM and the tournament will begin with a shotgun start at 12:00 PM. We will once again honor our individual SAME members with a discounted cost of \$40 for golf and lunch while non-SAME Member individual player cost will remain at \$50 per player. This event will be held at the Landing Golf Course in Warner Robins, GA.

Corporate Sponsorship Packages are as follows:

- Eagle Pack:** \$400.00 (includes complete golf package for 4 people & hole sponsorship)
- Birdie Pack:** \$325.00 (includes complete golf package for 2 people & hole sponsorship)
- Par Pack:** \$275.00 (includes complete golf package for 1 person & hole sponsorship)
- Corporate Hole Sponsor (non-golfing):** \$250.00 (includes sponsorship of one hole)
- Lunch Sponsor:** \$250.00
- Beverage Sponsor:** \$250.00
- Driving Range Sponsor:** \$250.00

Please contact: **Mike Coats @ 478-284-6909** or email: **Michael.J.Coats@cox.net** for more information.

Post Build Day a Success Project!



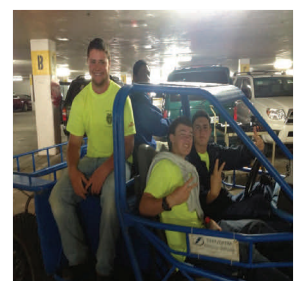
Habitat
for Humanity®

Volunteers from our Post spent a Saturday helping to build a home with the Houston County Habitat for Humanity (HoCo Habitat). A big Thank You to MSgt Kerry Parsons for organizing this event for the Post!

HoCo Habitat is always looking for volunteers to help with their builds and you can be a part of making homeownership a reality for a deserving family. Please visit hoco Habitat.org or contact MSgt Parsons at kerry.parsons@us.af.mil for more information on how you can volunteer for this wonderful cause.

Summer Camp continued...

Ian attended our July meeting to give a presentation on his experience at the USAF Academy Summer Engineering Camp in Colorado to the Post. He completed several projects with his team, the Charlie Flight, including a water filtration system and constructing a shed concrete beam, and a sustainable energy “machine”. Ian personally thanked the Post for giving him the opportunity to participate in this fun-filled, educational camp.



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