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President's Corner



Are you still growing? I don't mean physically, but are you still growing professionally? Or do you think you are completely trained and educated? If so, just think about when you first learned to use a computer. Some of us more experienced engineers probably still remember our first computing experience with computers bigger than the room you are sitting as you read this newsletter, but some are probably young enough that they can't even remember not

using a computer of some sort in school or on the job. Regardless of where you are with computing experience, just think about what you were doing tech-wise 5 or 10 years ago. Now try to think what you could do with technology in 5 or 10 years from now. Most of us probably cannot imagine what technology will look like or work like in 5 years much less 10 years. I think it is no different with any technology based career field, especially engineering or science.

We don't know what the next big project or problem will be, so we probably don't know what tools we will need either. So, are you growing in knowledge or experience with new technology related to your job or the job you want in the future? Are you taking an active role in your own professional development as well as those workers around you? If yes, good for you and keep it up. If not, just realize that without professional development, you will fall behind! It is never too late to start learning new methods or just refresh your knowledge on current methods or skills that you don't practice very often. Don't lose it because you did not use it! There was simply too much invested in your career to date to let parts of the training and education go to waste. This is a great place for SAME or other professional organizations to help. There are plenty of

SAME National Focus Areas

1. Ensure Vibrant and Value Added Programs—Create Value for All
2. Support STEM—Share Your Passion, Grow Your Replacement
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organizations that can provide quality continuing education opportunities, and SAME is one of those, and based upon my experience, one of the most cost effective ones. Check out the SAME.ORG web site and you will find several classes to attend in person as well as webinars that you can participate in without the need for costly travel and time away from work and home. TAKE ADVANTAGE OF BEING PART OF A PROFESSIONAL SOCIETY!

Lastly, I offer you the same advice that was given to me on more than one occasion: You are your career manager. Not every opportunity to learn and grow is given to you—you have to go out and find the right one for you to either better equip yourself for your current job/project or get you ready for the next one. Don't just sit there, GROW! Your Robins AFB SAME Post can help make it happen.

Thanks!

Mike Coats

Top Small Post of 2014 goes to the Robins AFB Post!



Presenter's Bio



U.S. AIR FORCE

Mr. Terry Landreth has been a part of the 78th Civil Engineer Group (CEG) at Robins AFB since 2003 and currently serves as Supervisor of the Engineering Planning Office. The major duties of the Planning Office include community and space

U.S. AIR FORCE planning as well as air field planning. He served for eight years as Chief of Design and three years in the Energy Management Office. Prior to his move to the 78th CEG at Robins AFB, Mr. Landreth spent 12 years as a consulting electrical engineer with several firms in the Macon area. Some of the projects included the electrical designs of schools, college classroom facilities, medical research labs and other commercial industrial facilities. His early career also included wiring designs for a major aircraft manufacturer and a two year tour as a Peace Corps teacher in Botswana. Mr. Landreth received his BSEE in 1979 from South Dakota School of Mines and Technology in Rapid City, SD.

Preview of August 2015 SAME Presentation entitled "78th CEG Program Review". This presentation will be given by Mr. Terry Landreth of the 78th Civil Engineer Group.

The Civil Engineer Planning Office will be giving a presentation on its role and responsibilities as it is a key player in the future development of Robins AFB due its management of various programs such as Community Planning, Space Planning and Airfield Planning. There will also be some discussion on the 2015 Installation Development Plan which highlights future projects and facility actions based on available resources on base and extracted data that may influence the installation.

The Installation Development Plan aligns with the Air Force Strategic Vision which helped guide the base's future course of action in terms of what its focus areas will be. What those focus areas will be will be discussed in this presentation.



The next Robins Post General Meeting will be held on **19 August 2015** at **11:30 am**. The meeting will be held **OFF BASE** at our usual location, the China Buffet (605 Russell Parkway, Warner Robins 31088). All are welcome.

UPCOMING DATES FOR 2015:

19 August: 1130 Hours: SAME General Meeting immediately preceded by SAME Robins Post Board/Officer's Meeting. 78 CEG will be giving their annual program review.

September: 1130 Hours: The Post will be going on a HWY 96/247 Tour. Exact date of tour TBD.

08 October: Education & Mentoring Scholarship Fund Golf Tournament at the Landings Golf Course.

18 November: 1130 Hours: SAME General Meeting immediately preceded by SAME Robins Post Board/Officer's Meeting. Presentation TBA.

December: No general meeting.



SAME Spotlight: Member of the Month



Jeff Morrison is a proud graduate of the University of Georgia (BS, Geology) with 18 years of experience in regulatory and environmental compliance, all of which started with an internship at the Savannah River Site.

In 1999, Jeff began working for AECOM, currently ranked as the #1 engineering design firm by revenue (\$19.5 billion) in Engineering News-Record magazine's annual industry rankings.

During this time, he has supported various sector clients across the United States, managing all aspects of environmental contracts, including Program and Project Management, Quality Assurance, and technical services. He has provided oversight for environmental assessments, multi-media sampling, remedial system installations, operations and maintenance, permitting, regulatory agency negotiations, and community relations support. He also serves as a Quality Representative for AECOM's ISO 9001-compliant Quality Management System. Jeff prides himself on his dedication to his clients and being organized, which assists him with managing staff of engineers/scientists across the United States.

Jeff met his wife, Jennifer, at UGA while both were enrolled in Invertebrate Paleontology. An active family within the community, Jeff and Jennifer most recently volunteered to coach their children, Bennett and Brinkley, during this past season at Warner Robins American Little League. An avid college football fan, Jeff attends college football games whenever possible. The pinnacle includes attending the 2006 Sugar Bowl (UGA vs. West Virginia) and the 2006 BCS National Championship Rose Bowl (Texas vs. Southern Cal).

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Sustaining Spotlight: Siemens

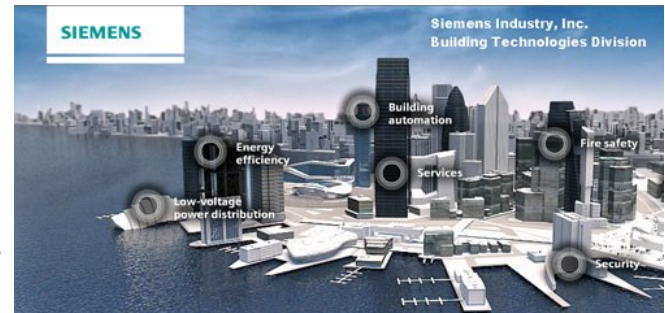
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2015 JETC: First Timer's Experience

Our own Senior Enlisted Advisor, SMSgt Tony Bourdeau, had the opportunity to attend the Joint Engineer Training Conference & Expo (JETC) in Houston, TX. SMSgt Bourdeau gave a short presentation on what he had learned and experienced at the JETC at the June general meeting and below are some pictures from the JETC. It was his first time at a national SAME conference and he said that he was impressed that the conference could pull together such a diverse group of attendees from not only from all the branches of the military (Hey, it's General Green sitting in my session?) but from various backgrounds that relate to all things engineering.



SMSgt Bourdeau also picked up our Top Small Post Award and our streamers at the awards breakfast and ran into several other Post members (current and former) while at the conference (see pics). Overall, he said that the conference was worth attending and was appreciative of the Post sponsoring his trip.



SMSgt Bourdeau accepting the Top Post award for OUR POST from former SAME President Mogge.



The main stage of the conference.



Maj Gen Timothy Green (AF Director of CE) sitting in one of the many sessions offered at the conference.



Bumping into some old (and new) friends from the Robins SAME Post.



Post Member, Ray Willcocks, mentoring someone at the Speed Mentoring session.

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