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*A tour of the new Army Reserve Center has been scheduled 20 March 2013 at 1PM. The tour will be given by Dale Barlow, Area Engineer for the US Army Corps of Engineers, Savannah District.*

## TOUR: Army Reserve Center

The Army Corps of Engineers are finishing up construction on a \$11M training facility for the Army Reserves. This facility is a training center with admin space that includes some highlighted features such as an indoor, electronic firing range, solar panels for the lights at POV parking, and a physical fitness facility. The complex also includes a maintenance facility and parking for their heavy equipment.



The Post will be taking a tour of the Army Reserve Center on 20 March. We will be meeting at the Walmart on Russell

Parkway, then carpool to the center, promptly at 1PM. The facility is located at the intersection of Snellgrove Drive and Cohen Walker Drive in Kathleen - just South of Houston County High School along Bear Country Blvd - and near the Little League Southeastern Regional Headquarters.

If interested in attending this tour, please plan to be at the Walmart on Russell Parkway by 12:45PM.

## Earth Day Golf Tournament in April!

Get your clubs ready for a fun filled day on the golf course! Our annual Earth Day Golf Tournament is scheduled for 25 April at the Pine Oaks Golf Course. Activities include a shotgun start along with a putting contest and prizes for longest drive and closest to the pin. So gather up a team and sign up today!

Please contact our Golf POC at [laurel.cordell@robins.af.mil](mailto:laurel.cordell@robins.af.mil) to sign up or sponsor this event. Be on the look out for the golf tournament flyer for more details!



## SAME Spotlight: Member of the Month

Kathy Chaffin is the SE Federal Programs Manager with CTI and Associates, Inc., an 8(a) small business specializing in environmental consulting, engineering, remediation and construction services. An Air Force brat and a Florida Gator, Kathy holds a Bachelor's degree in Education, Business Management, and obtained her MBA in 2009. She has worked in federal consulting since 1998, has been a SAME Member since 2000. She currently lives in Charlotte, NC and splits her time between Warner Robins GA, Jacksonville, FL, Mobile, AL, and Tuscaloosa where her daughter attends the University of Alabama. Kathy enjoys golf, cooking, interior design, and SEC football.



The next Robins Post General Meeting will be held on **15 May 2013 at 11:30 am**. The meeting will be held at China Buffet on Russell Pkwy. All are welcome.

## Helping the Wounded Warrior Project



The QL+ Accessible Cab entry (ACE) Lift is a modified system to enable disabled Veterans to safely enter and exit the operating cabs of a wide range of heavy equipment, such as big rigs, tractors and trash trucks. The device is central to QL+'s 'Lift Vets to Work!' Program, a training and certification initiative designed to expand employment opportunities for wounded warriors in construction, waste management, agriculture and transportation. More information on this and other QL+ programs can be found at: <http://www.qlplus.org>.

The Robins AFB Post has decided to donate at the Bronze level (\$250) for the ACE Lift program. Our donation will go towards the engineering of the system to enable individuals with mobility issues to safely and easily enter and exit a range of heavy machinery.

Do you or your company wish to donate to the Wounded Warrior Project? Your generous donation to WWP helps thousands of Wounded Warriors - and their families - as they return home from the current conflicts. Donation options include one-time gifts, the Advance Guard Monthly Giving Program, and more. Please visit: <http://www.woundedwarriorproject.org> to learn about the multiple opportunities to get involved with this worthy cause.

### UPCOMING DATES FOR 2013:

**20 March:** Tour of the new Army Reserve Center. We will be meeting at the Walmart on Russell Parkway, then carpooling to the tour location. Please arrive by 12:45PM if you plan on attending this tour.

**25 April:** Earth Day Golf Tournament. Please contact our Golf POC at [laurel.cordell@robins.af.mil](mailto:laurel.cordell@robins.af.mil) for more details on signing up and/or sponsorships for this event.

**15 May:** 1130 Hours: SAME General Meeting immediately preceded by SAME Robins Post Board Meeting. PMS Construction will be giving a presentation on Asphalt Rejuvenation.

**21 May:** 2013 Joint Engineer Training Conference in San Diego, CA. For more information, visit the SAME National website.

**19 June:** 1130 Hours: SAME General Meeting immediately preceded by SAME Robins Post Board Meeting. AFRC Program Managers



## **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 challeng-*

## **Post Announcements**

**Robins AFB Post wins 2012 streamers!** The Streamer Award packages allow SAME Posts to show off their many wonderful activities and events that they hold throughout the year. Our Post won several streamers including Education & Training, Leadership & Mentoring, and the Membership streamer. The Post won two streamers with distinction as well, the Relationships & Recognition and the Emergency Preparedness streamers. Thank you to all those that assisted with the award packages and congratulations!



**Post Awards Ceremony set for May!** Every year, our Post gives out two awards to honor those post members that go above and beyond in their contribution to SAME. This year, the recipient of the Ric Powers' Achievement Award is Mr. Mike Coats, and the recipient of the Outstanding Young Member Award is Mr. James Griffin. Please join us at our next general meeting, set for 15 May, for an awards ceremony to highlight these gentlemen's achievements.

**FY14 DoD Briefing Conference set for 26 March 2013!** This day-long event includes in-depth forums from leaders in the federal sector and an informational panel featuring the Engineering Service Chiefs of the U.S. Army, U.S. Navy and U.S. Air Force—all of which focus on planned programs for the upcoming fiscal year. For more information on this event, please visit: <http://s3.goeshow.com/same/dod/2013/>.

**Joint Engineering Training Conference to be held in San Diego, CA!** Taking place May 21-24, at the San Diego Convention Center, in beautiful San Diego, Calif., the 2013 JETC offers educational and technical training along with an expanded Expo Hall for outstanding networking opportunities. To register for this event, visit: <http://3.goeshow.com/same/jetc/2013/registration.cfm>.

**Vote Now for the 2013-2014 SAME Board of Directors!** Online voting is now open for National Officers and Elected Directors of the SAME 2013-2014 Board of Direction. Visit the SAME website to [review the candidates bios](#) and to [cast your vote](#). Show your support for the slate of nominees....**VOTE**. Online voting will close Friday, April 1, 2013, at 5:00 p.m. EDT, so vote today!

## **Sustaining Member Spotlight: CTI and Associates, Inc.**

CTI and Associates, Inc. (CTI) was founded in 1976 and today is an SBA Certified 8(a) and Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB) providing environmental (compliance, remediation, hazardous materials and health sciences), Engineering (civil, geotechnical, waste contamination, gas-to-energy) and Construction (horizontal, CMT, Heavy/Civil) services to Federal, municipal and private sector clients located throughout the United States. Our mission is to provide our clients with the highest level of customer service through communication, responsiveness, innovation, and dependable project delivery.



Since 2008, CTI has been awarded \$45M in Federal and DoD Contracts and is continuing to expand its presence in the southeast. Today we employ approximately 80 professionals and work out of 10 office locations. For more information on CTI, please contact Kathy Chaffin at 251-545-8427.



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### Accepting Abstracts

We are currently accepting abstracts for presentations and tour ideas in 2013. Let us know what presentation topics, presenters, or tour ideas would most interest you. We want to know what is important to you. Please contact Mr. Ken Branton at [Kenneth.Branton@urs.com](mailto:Kenneth.Branton@urs.com) with feedback or for more information.