

Newsletter of the Robins AFB Post: Society of American Military Engineers



A Tour of the HQ AFRC modular facility has been scheduled for 21 March 2012 at 1 PM. The tour will be given by Dale Barlow, Area Engineer for the US Army Corps of Engineers, Savannah District.

Tour: HQ AFRC Modular Facility



Come take a tour of the Headquarters Air Force Reserve Command's temporary administrative facility on March 21st. This 90,000 square foot facility will house the HQ AFRC personnel until their permanent campus can be constructed. The project initially includes funding for construction and demolition of the facility - with five option years to lease the facility and furnishings. It's a design-build project with a duration (for design and construction) of 180 calendar days.

Our tour guide will be Mr. Dale Barlow of the US ACE, Savannah District. In addition to Air Force military construction and Army Reserve projects in and around

Robins, he is responsible for military construction administered by the Moody AFB Resident Office and the Atlanta Resident Office (to include Dobbins ARB and the Gillem Enclave) as well as civil works and Veteran's Administration projects being performed in the metro Atlanta area.

We will be meeting at the Horizons Club around 12:45 and then carpool over to the facility. Tour starts at 1 PM and if you would like to go, please RSVP by March 19th. Send your RSVP to the Post secretary at esther.lee-altman@robins.af.mil.

Need Base Access?

For those of you that work outside of the gates and need to be sponsored in order to attend the general SAME meeting, please submit your name, phone number, and email address to the Robins SAME Post Secretary (esther.lee@robins.af.mil) by the Friday before the scheduled meeting.

On the day of the meeting, come in through the Main Gate (the Watson Boulevard gate) and stop by the Visitor's Center. Please have your driver's license, proof of insurance, and vehicle registration handy as you will be required to show these before your pass is issued.

SAME Spotlight: Member of the Month



Greg Culpepper, PE, is a Principal and Sr Project Manager at Pond & Company in Norcross, Ga. He is a registered PE in Tennessee and Georgia, and also a Level II Certified Design Professional by the Georgia Soil and Water Conservation Commission (GSWCC). Born in Warner Robins, GA and raised in the outskirts of Dublin, GA, Greg graduated from Georgia Tech in 1998 with a BS in Civil Engineering.

Greg has worked for 14 years with Pond, serving in various capacities. One of his more interesting roles was serving as the City Engineer for various Atlantametro municipalities, including Kennesaw, Sugar Hill and Flowery Branch. More recently he has served as a Project Manager in the Federal Facilities Group, working with such agencies as NAVFAC, US Forest Service, US Fish & Wildlife, National Guard Bureau, Mobile and Louisville Corps of Engineers, Air Force Reserve Command and Robins AFB. Recent projects include a SOF Flight Simulator Facility for AvFID at Hurlburt Field, FL, and the Troop Feeding Facility – Community Activity Center at Homestead Air Reserve Base. The latter won a 2011 Air Force Design Award. Greg has been a SAME Robins post member for 2 years.

Greg currently resides in Tucker, GA with his wife Natalie, and their two sons, Will and their most recent addition, Garrett. The family is active in their church, and enjoys attending Georgia Tech football games, Braves games and Falcons games.

Post Financial Update

As a non-profit organization, SAME Robins Post gives back to the Base and the surrounding community through the promotion of engineering and educational opportunities, supporting the local military members, and by providing charitable donations to worthwhile causes throughout the year.

The Post receives income through two main sources: one is through a portion of Post dues, which is returned to the Post by SAME National; the other is through local fund-raising efforts. The two fundraisers that the Post sponsors each year are the golf tournaments, one for Earth Day with profits supporting Earth Day events and the Base and the other in October, that help provide needed funding to the Education and Mentoring Fund. This Fund supports two annual \$2,500 college scholarships plus a student campership to one of the SAME Engineering and Construction Summer Camp opportunities.

The Post supports continuing education though assistance with conference attendance and travel expenses that helps support the Post mission. Robins Post also supports deployed service members annually by donating funds to the 116th Unit Advisory Committee. The Post also sponsored both Boy Scout Troop 220 and Cub Scout Pack 220 so they can continue their 55 year mission of serving the youth of the Base. Earth Day awareness activities and the statewide Mathcounts competition for area middle school students are two more areas where SAME pitched in to help make a difference.

Lastly, we honored the memory of long time Post Leader Ric Powers with a tree and plaque dedicated during the Base's Historic Forest Ceremony. To see a complete breakdown of the Post's revenue and expenses for 2011, view the financial charts on the next page, Page 3.



The next Robins Post General Meeting will be held on 17 May 2012 at 11:30 am. The meeting will be held in the Horizons Club's Georgia Room. All are welcome.

Upcoming Dates in 2012

21 March: The Robins Post will be hosting a group tour of the HQ AFRC Temporary Administrative Facility. Please RSVP by 19 March to the Post Secretary (esther.leealtman@robins.af.mil) if you would like to reserve a spot for this tour.

23 March: The MathCounts Competition held at the Georgia Tech Student Center showcases middle school students and their math skills. For more information, please visit: http://www.gspe.org/ mathcounts.htm

19 April: The Annual Earth Day Golf Tournament will be held at the Pine Oaks Golf Course. For more information, contact Laurel Cordell at laurel.cordell@robins.af.mil.

21 April: 2012 Macon Walk to Defeat ALS. Please see the flyer on the last page of this newsletter for more information.

17 May: 1130 hours: SAME General Meeting immediately preceded by SAME Robins Post Board/ Officer's Meeting. Presentation TBA.

20 June: 1130 hours: SAME General Meeting immediately preceded by SAME Robins Post Board/ Officer's Meeting. HQ AFRC program managers will present the "Partnership with Industry" program.

If you have any questions or would like to provide input to the Post regarding worthwhile community teaming opportunities, please feel free to contact any Post leader with your idea.



Sustaining Member Spotlight: JACOBS

Jacobs is one of the world's largest and most diverse providers of professional engineering and architectural services with a global network of 200+ offices in 25+ countries. With significant breadth and depth of experience with the Department of Defense, we have qualified, knowledgeable professionals with the technical expertise to deliver world-class facilities in support of United States military missions.

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We employ more than 750 professionals in Georgia — with 20 based at Robins Air Force Base, and more than 400 in the Atlanta area. We provide architectural, engineering and planning services for federal, avia-

tion, and program management projects, as well as transportation engineering, water resources planning and design, surveying, and environmental planning.

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Announcements from the Post

For the second year in a row, SAME National is offering stipends (up to \$1,250) for young and military members to attend the Joint Engineer Training Conference (JETC). Offering six technical tracks and several great workshops on subjects such as Theater Construction Management System and Engineering Ethics, the JETC is a premier event with increasing value to Junior Officers and NCOs. This conference will be held 22-25 May in St. Louis, Missouri.

Please visit: <u>http://s3.goeshow.com/same/JETC/2012/Stipend.cfm_for a list of qualifications and more information</u>. Applications must be submitted to SAME HQ no later than March 30, 2012.

The SAME Robins Post now has a Facebook Page! Please check us out at: <u>http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/SAME-Robins/249252775150214</u>. Don't forget to Like us so that you can received the latest news from SAME!

Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS), commonly known as Lou Gehrig's disease, is a motor neuron disease that can affect the ability to control and initiate muscle control. In the later stages of this disease, a person can become totally paralyzed. Three Walks to Defeat ALS® has been setup in Georgia. More information for these events has been provided on the last page of this newsletter.

The deadline for submitting the Scholarship and Engineering Camp applications is fast approaching (March 30th). Please spread the word that high school and college Freshman can apply for these wonderful opportunities to further enhance their education. For more information, please visit our Post's website: <u>www.samerobins.org</u>.







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Accepting Abstracts

We are currently accepting abstracts for presenters and Presentations in 2012. Let us know what presentation topics or presenters would most interest you. We want to know what is important to you. Please contact Mr. Ken Branton at kenneth_branton@urscorp.com with feedback or for more information.







2012 MACON WALK TO DEFEAT ALS Saturday, April 21, 2012 Central City Park

Registration 8:30 AM, Opening Ceremony 9:30 AM, Walk begins at 10:00 AM

Every year, thousands of people across the state of Georgia bring their determination, energy and passion to the Walk to Defeat ALS. This wonderful event is an opportunity to bring hope to ALS patients, raise awareness for the disease, and support the research and the work of The ALS Association on a local and national level. This special event empowers patients, friends, families, and the business community to stand together against this insidious disease. Be sure to join all the ALS supporters this April!

HOW YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

The Walk to Defeat ALS is the ALS Association's biggest annual event. Your donations support cutting-edge research, patient education programs, counseling & support groups, multi-disciplinary ALS Clinics in Atlanta, Augusta & Macon, and a medical equipment loaner program. You can make a difference in the lives of our PALS (Patients with ALS).





SIGN UP TODAY!

Go to <u>www.walktodefeatALS.org</u> to register for the Walk as an individual, or to start or join a team. There is no registration fee!

Contact Liza Nordmark 404-636-9909, liza@alsaga.org if you have any questions or need assistance. It's that easy!