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## **Preview of July 2008 SAME Presentation. *Our Energy, Our Future.***

*This presentation will be given by Mr. Jimmy Autry, APR, Fellow PRSA, CCC, Senior Vice President of Member and Community Relations, Flint Energies.*



## Our Energy, Our Future

Will we have enough power to meet our needs and grow our economy?

Demand for electricity in America is growing. According to the Energy Information Agency, the United States will need 30 percent more electricity by 2030 to power our homes and businesses. Rick Sergel, CEO of the North American Electric Reliability Corporation, told the *Los Angeles Times*, "We're very close to the edge. We operate under tight conditions more often than ever." Jimmy Autry will share how we need action in the next year or two to start

on the path to having enough electricity 10 years from now.

Elected officials need to work with the electric utility industry to develop a roadmap to ensure we can generate enough power to meet our needs over the next ten years. There is no silver bullet.

This month's presenter is Mr. Jimmy Autry, APR, Fellow PRSA, CCC. His biography is given on page 2.



## Presenter's Bio:

### Jimmy Autry, APR, Fellow PRSA, CCC Senior Vice President of Member & Community Relations, Flint Energies

A native of southeastern North Carolina, Jimmy Autry, APR, Fellow PRSA, CCC, has 27 years of experience in public relations, marketing, and advertising. He began his electricity career in 1980 at Lumbee River Electric Membership Corporation in North Carolina. Since then, he has served North Carolina EMC in Raleigh and Carroll EMC in Carrollton, Ga., along with a bank which is now part of BB&T. Today, he is Senior Vice President of Member and Community Relations for Flint Energies in Warner Robins, Ga.

Jimmy was named to the Public Relations Society of America (PRSA) College of Fellows in 2006, one of less than 500 honored out of the 33,000 top public relations practitioners in the United States. His greatest pleasure comes from volunteering at the Robins Air Force Base Museum of Aviation, supporting elementary school students through the Middle Georgia Youth Science and Technology Center, and teaching new communicators who come to work for electric cooperatives across the US.

Jimmy graduated Summa Cum Laude from the University of North Carolina at Pembroke, completing the requirements for two degrees in three years.

## Air Force Reserve Command Cemetery Cleanup



*Members of HQ AF Reserve Command/A70A (Environmental Management) cleaned Bryant Cemetery during the Great American Cleanup.*

## WHAT'S COMING UP...

The July 2008 SAME General Meeting will be held at the Officer's Club/Horizon's Atrium on Wednesday, 16 July 2008 at 11:30 hours. Mr. Jimmy Autry, APR, Fellow PRSA, CCC, Senior Vice President of Member and Community Relations at Flint Energies will be the featured presenter.



### Upcoming Dates in 2008

**August 20** – Geosyntec Consultants will be presenting on "Applications of Sustainable Stormwater Solutions at Active Military Installations."

**September 17** – SAME Tour, TBD.

**October 24** – SAME Golf Tournament.

## *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."*

# Spotlight on Sustaining Member Firms: Flint Energies

Flint Electric Membership Corporation, doing business as Flint Energies, was incorporated in 1937 as a not-for-profit member-owned electric cooperative that provides energy services to residential, commercial, industrial and agricultural members in part of 17 central Georgia counties. Flint serves the Museum of Aviation at Robins Air Force Base and is the owner and operator of the electrical facilities at Fort Benning, Ga. Flint has 230 employees and serves more than 250,000 Georgians through more than 80,000 meters.

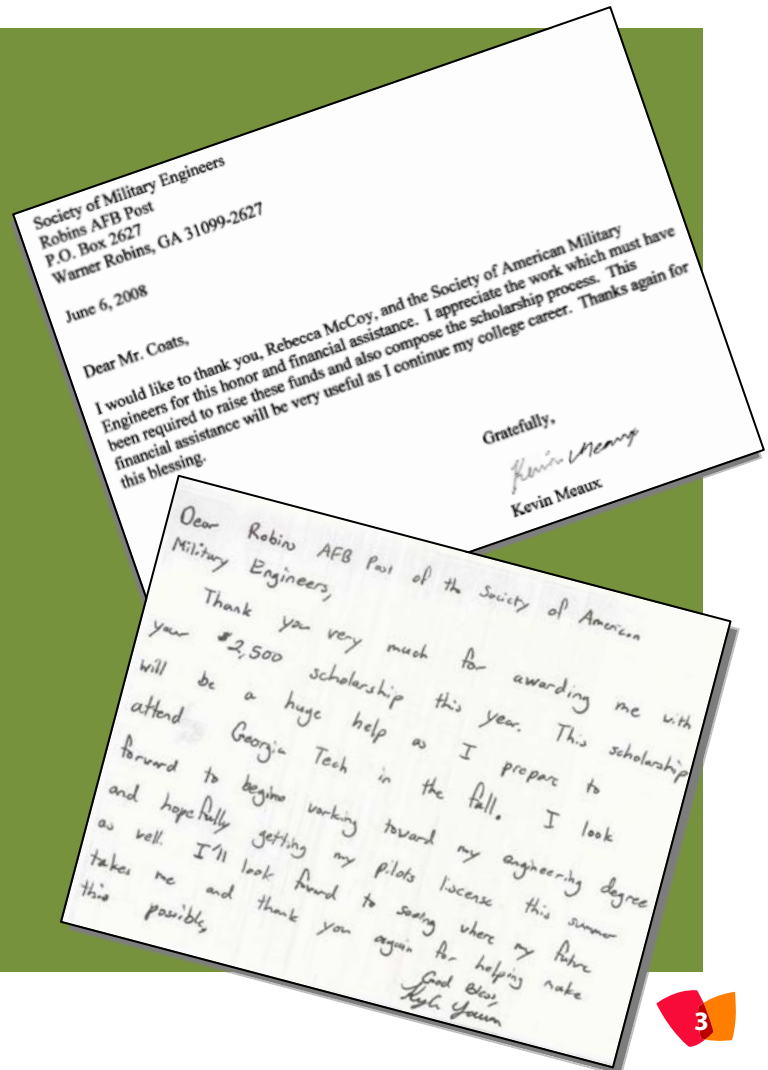
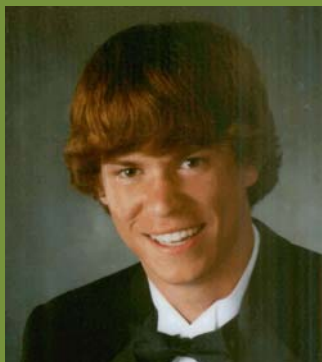
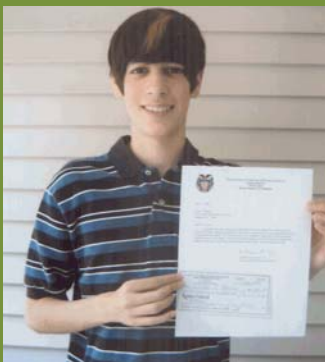
For more information about Flint Energies, visit [www.flintenergies.com](http://www.flintenergies.com).



## Education & Mentoring: SAME Robins Scholarship & Summer Camp Winners Named

This year, the Robins AFB Post awarded two \$2,500 college scholarships. The winners, selected from 10 applicants, were Kyle Yawn, a 2008 graduate and Valedictorian of Warner Robins High School and Kevin Meaux, a freshman studying Mechanical Engineering at the University of Florida. Kyle will start his engineering education this fall at Georgia Tech.

*Pictured below, from left to right, college scholarship recipients Kevin Meaux and Kyle Yawn. At right, "thank you" letters.*





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