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SOCIETY OF AMERICAN MILITARY ENGINEERS

## The Monthly Mentor

There will be a mentoring session held at 11:00 a.m. prior to the monthly meeting on May 25<sup>th</sup>. Open to all, and conducted this month by Col Steven Zander, Command Civil Engineer, Air Force Reserve Command.

The topic descriptor is "Great Expectations"! What are yours? What do you want out of your career? Anything is possible – take steps to make yours a reality.

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### Happy Hour

Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the Month, all SAME members, both young and seasoned, are invited to meet at the Wellston, behind the Officer's Club, for a drink or two.

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### Recap of the 20 July 2005 General Meeting: *Fernald "Big Dig"*

Dave Philips provided an overview of one of those large projects that you hope come around once in your career. As a consequence of the cold war legacy the Department of Energy's Fernald site has a bit of waste material to deal with. Building a landfill with a minimum 200, and maximum 1,000 year service life was a challenge! The 75 acre site is required to handle a 2,000 year storm event and a 2,400 year recurring earthquake. Could you have been up to the challenge?



## What's Going On...

**Wednesday 17 August 2005  
in the Atrium of the  
Robins AFB Officer's Club**

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**11:30 a.m. Regularly Scheduled  
Meeting**

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**Guest Speaker:  
Franklin L. Myers, PE, Colonel  
Chief, Readiness Division**

Col Myers will provide a review of the Rapid Engineer Deployable Heavy Operational Repair Squadron Engineers, or Red Horse.

The brief will cover the history of Red Horse to include why there was, and still is, a need for the Air Force to have heavy construction capability. Information will be provided regarding its units and their history, and their locations and composition. Past projects will be summarized, and highlights of more recent deployments will be given, along with a current picture of the Red Horse status.

It is the colonel's intention to include pictures of the Horsemen (and women!) in the field performing their best in some of the worst locations. Also he would like to show some actual footage shot in the first Gulf War providing displays of airfield demolition.

## Post It Notes

*For those that may be deployed  
in the future....*

You can get *The Military Engineer* and *SAME News* delivered directly to you in the field! Complete the temporary deployment form on SAME's web site (<http://www.same.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageid=1>) and they will send your SAME materials to you onsite while serving in your area of operational responsibility (AOR).

*Looking to maintain your  
professional competency?  
SAME has a few items that may  
assist you....*

At the SAME website (<http://www.same.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageid=4163>) they have a downloadable Continuing Professional Competency Guide, plus contact information for every state organization.

*Looking for engineer-in-training  
or professional engineer review  
materials?*

SAME has a list of resource providers... check the link at:  
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**Disciplines:** Surface Water & Natural Resources Management; Site Investigation & Remedial Design/Action; Geoenvironmental Engineering; Risk Assessment & Management; Pollution Prevention; Waste Disposal Facility Permitting; Brownfield Site Development; Groundwater Assessment and Remediation; Design, Construction & Closure; Geotechnical Engineering; Environmental Management; and Wastewater Management.

**Number of Employees:** 90 in Georgia, 500+ internationally

**Expertise:** Geosyntec's expertise includes the testing and application of innovative passive remediation technologies such as in-situ chemical oxidation, permeable chemical reactive barriers, and bioaugmentation. Innovative applications of advanced technologies applied in Georgia include in-situ chemical oxidation at an industrial site near Hartwell, and a demonstration of bioaugmentation here at Robins AFB.

**SAME Interest:** GeoSyntec staff participates in a number of post activities around the country. Our staff serves in a variety of capacities including participation as post board members. We leverage our SAME membership to introduce staff to federal sector technology advances and establish professional relationships with our federal sector colleagues.

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