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Preview of May 2010 Robins Post SAME Tour to the City of Macon's Water Treatment Facility. The tour is scheduled for Wednesday, May 19th from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Tour of the Water Treatment Plant Facility for the City of Macon

Robins SAME Post is pleased to sponsor a Tour to the Frank C. Amerson Jr. Treatment Facility for the city of Macon on Wednesday, **May 19th**. Come join us for a tour of the treatment facility that produced the 2009 National Winner for the Best Tasting Drinking Water. The tour will consist of walking through the various steps involved in the overall process that water must go through in order to reach the highest standards for drinking water. Spots are limited for this tour so sign up early to see how the water treatment facility delivers clean drinking water to the city of Macon. Contact the Robins SAME Post Secretary, Esther Lee at (478) 327-3976 for more information on this tour.

And don't forget that National Drinking Water Week is May 2nd through the 8th!



The Frank C. Amerson Jr. Water Treatment Facility in Macon, GA.

An Update on a Scholarship Winner: Jason Prior

Every year, SAME sponsors several students to participate in various Engineering summer camps to enable students to potentially strengthen their love of engineering. The Robins SAME Post also gives out two scholarship awards every year to high school students that show a great interest in engineering. SAME hopes that with these awards and opportunities, those students will become the great engineers of tomorrow.



One of the scholarship winners gave an update on how going to the engineering summer camp influenced his choice on becoming an engineer once he attended college. See the next page for continuation of this story.

Background Stories: The History of Macon Water Authority

The Macon Water Authority was created by an act of the Georgia General Assembly to serve as a public corporation that provides municipal water and sewerage services for the City of Macon and Bibb County areas. The origin of the Macon Water Authority dates back to 1880, when water for domestic service was procured from the wells of individual Bibb county citizens. Today, the MWA Water Distribution System has approximately 1,425 miles of water mains and service lines serving approximately 54,000 metered customers. The Authority also operates a sewage collection system, which includes approximately 950 miles of sanitary sewer lines serving over 41,000 customers. With the opening of The Frank C. Amerson Jr. Water Treatment Plant in 2000, the plant has received numerous awards such as the 2008 Georgia Association of Water Professionals Plant of the Year.

SAME Spotlight: Member of the Month

Nancy Manley, PE, BCEE, D.WRE, is currently the director of the Asset Management Division which is under the Civil Engineering Group. Her career reflects a longevity in civil service as she has held many positions throughout the Federal Government starting with the United States Environmental Protection Agency and later working various positions in the Air Force. An interesting fact about Nancy is that she was the first female Deputy Base Civil Engineer (or equivalent) in DoD ever. She holds a Bachelors of Science in Environmental Engineering from Purdue University and a Masters of Science from University of Washington. Nancy has been honored with numerous awards including Federal Engineer of the Year, Engineer of the Year (from the Georgia Society of Professional Engineers), and AFMC SAME Newman Medal. She has been a member of SAME since 1982 and is currently one of our Executive Directors for the Robins Post. Nancy is heavily involved in SAME in that she works on the national streamer committee, helps with the MathCounts competitions, and loves to be a judge at the local science fairs, on base and around the community. She is also a member of several professional organizations including the Society of Women Engineers and the American Academy of Water Resource Engineers.



Update on Scholarship Winner (continued from p. 1)

In the words of a former SAME Engineering Camp scholarship winner, Jason Prior:

I was introduced to engineering when the Robins AFB SAME chapter sent me to the SAME Air Force Academy engineering camp in 2002. The wide varieties of problem solving and construction activities were interesting and exciting. Highlights included building and then destroying a concrete beam, constructing a massive catapult, designing/assembling a sprinkler system, and touring the Air Force Academy and the North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD). The experience piqued my interest, so when I entered Mercer University in 2005, I declared myself an undecided engineering major. After initial coursework, I decided on industrial engineering and graduated in 2009. I accepted a position shortly before graduation with ICF International in Warner Robins and am enjoying the job tremendously.

Thank you for your support and I hope my story shows the important influence of SAME and the Robins AFB post.

SAME wishes to thank Jason Prior for being a prime example of the many things that SAME does to try to get more of our youth to become interested in engineering and engineering related fields.

WHAT'S COMING UP...

The next Robins Post General Meeting will be held on **16 June 2010 at 11:30 am**. The meeting will be held in the Horizon's Atrium. All are welcome.

Upcoming Dates in 2010

19 May: 1300 to 1500 hours: The Robins SAME Post will be touring the water treatment plant for the city of Macon. Sign up now to reserve your spot for this tour. Seating limited to 25 to 30 people. Contact Esther Lee at 478-327-3976 to reserve your spot.

16 June: 1130 hours: SAME General Meeting immediately preceded by SAME Robins Post Board/Officer's Meeting. Robins SAME Post President, Col. Desport of the Air Force Reserve Command Headquarters (HQ AFRC), will be giving a presentation highlighting the many programs that AFRC executes, nationally and around the world.

2-4 November: South Atlantic-South Central Regional Conference, *Securing the Future*, in Jacksonville, FL.

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.”

SAME Sponsors Another Successful Earth Day Golf Tournament

SAME and the Earth Day committee for Robins AFB held their annual Earth Day Golf Tournament on Friday, April 23rd. This year, there were 24 teams that participated in the tournament that was held at the Pine Oaks Golf Course on base. With the weather and some luck on their side, the golfers enjoyed a great day of golfing. Events in the tournament included a putting contest, chipping contest, free lunch, and door prizes for the raffle winners. At the end of



First Place Winners of the 2010 SAME Earth Day Golf Tournament.

the day, scores were tallied and the winners of the tournament were the recycling contractors (see above picture) for Robins AFB, Happy Hour Recycling.

Congratulations to the winners and a big thank you goes out to all of the volunteers that helped make this tournament another successful one! A list of the hole sponsors and volunteers are given on page 4.



Spotlight on Sustaining Member Firms:

Ocmulgee Site & Environmental Services, Inc.

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Ocmulgee Site & Environmental Services, Inc. (Ocmulgee) is a surveying and engineering firm that provides professional service across the state of Georgia. Ocmulgee is conveniently located in the heart of Georgia and near I-75, providing services across the state promptly and effectively. Ocmulgee is confident that they will provide you with professional, comprehensive, and cost effective assistance. Two partners of Ocmulgee are former employees of Robins Air Force Base, equipping them with extensive knowledge of federal government processes. Among providing services for federal, local, state governing bodies, Ocmulgee provides services for various architectural firms, contractors and private developers, and private property owners.

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Ocmulgee has been an innovative leader in Sustainable and Better Site Design creating “greener” more appealing and less conventional layouts. The firm is recognized by the local community as an expert in stormwater design and water quality. They have been invited to lecture on subjects such as the Georgia Stormwater Management Manual, Conservation Subdivisions, and Better Site Design. Ocmulgee’s engineers have extensive experience in water quality BMPs such as: rain gardens, stormwater ponds, sand filters, enhanced swales, filter strips, and grass channels. Ocmulgee incorporates these BMPs to provide a more appealing and creative design, while tackling stormwater issues. Their experience in these methods has been implemented in countless commercial, residential, and institutional projects around the state.

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SAME and the Earth Day committee would also like to thank Jennifer Ludwig from TEPA for helping to organize this wonderful event. Plus the other volunteers that kept the tournament running smoothly for our golfers:



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