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*Thanks to  
everyone  
who attended,  
listened, and  
participated  
in the E-Week  
Technical  
Training  
Conference  
this year!*

## MARCH SPEAKER SPOTLIGHT

### Adam Bruner

Federal Program Manager, PMS Construction, Inc.

Mr. Bruner has over 10 years of experience in managing construction and environmental remediation projects for various DOD customers, located throughout the United States. Mr. Bruner's experience is primarily in the areas of airfield construction, maintenance, and repair, as well as heavy civil construction and repair projects. Mr. Bruner has



completed projects for the US Army Corps of Engineers, NAVFAC, US Air Force, and the US Army. Prior to joining PMS Construction, Mr. Bruner worked for Chemtek Inc, the manufacturer of Paverx Asphalt Rejuvenator. Mr. Bruner served as a

government sales representative, and a field technical advisor for airfield rubber removal, striping, repair, and asphalt rejuvenation projects throughout the United States.

Mr. Bruner currently lives in Atlanta, Georgia with his three children. He is a member of the Atlanta, Georgia SAME post.

## E-WEEK HIGHLIGHTS

More from this year's E-Week conference on page three.



Joe Lavoie (AECOM) and  
Gwen Parker (AECOM)  
enjoying E-Week.



L to R: Bennie Williams (retired Corps of Engineers — Savannah District electrical engineer), Col Hall (Commander at Savannah District) and Carol Abercrombie.



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## Carol Abercrombie Honored with 2013 James Connolly Award

The Savannah-area professional engineering community formally recognized Carol H. Abercrombie, a civil engineer with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Savannah District for her notable contributions to water resource projects in Coastal Georgia.

Abercrombie received the 2013 “James Connolly Award” during the Savannah E-Week Technical Training Conference at Armstrong Atlantic State University, Feb. 19. The conference is held annually in Savannah as part of the nationally-recognized Engineer Week (E-Week) observance.

The Connolly Award is presented each year to a civilian or military engineer within the Savannah community for notable contributions in the field of engineering, particularly in design and construction methods. The award is named in honor of James B. Connolly (1868-1957), who was an Olympic gold medalist, Spanish-American War veteran, distinguished author, and a former Corps’ Savannah District employee. Abercrombie is the ninth recipient of the Connolly Award since it was first presented in 2004.

“It’s wonderful to feel appreciated by my co-workers and the Savannah engineering community as a whole,” Abercrombie said. “I hope the work I have done has made a positive difference in the community.”

The award was presented by the Savannah Community of Engineer organizations, which includes the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME) Savannah Post and the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) Savannah Branch.

With 31 years of service at the Corps’ Savannah District, Abercrombie is a technical expert in coastal engineering and design. She serves as the Engineering Technical lead on numerous Civil Works Projects, most notably the Savannah Harbor Expansion Project. Other key projects she has worked on include the Tybee Island Beach Renourishment, previous deepening projects at the Brunswick and Savannah harbors, and tailrace dredging at the Richard B. Russell Dam in Elberton, Ga.

A resident of Hardeeville, S.C., Abercrombie holds a Bachelor of Science from the University of South Carolina and a Master of Science in Environmental Systems Engineering from Clemson University.

— U.S. Army Corps of Engineers News Release



*Carol H. Abercrombie received the prestigious 2013 James Connolly Award which is given to a civilian or military engineer who has made a significant impact in the field of engineering, especially in design or construction methods.*



# E-Week 2013 Wraps Up Another Successful Event

Those who attended the 2013 E-Week Technical Training Conference experienced a great networking event full of knowledgeable speakers, and good information they could take away. This year's conference was at the Armstrong Center in Savannah on February 19 and presentations were divided into three specific tracks including: government, engineering, and environmental.



*Carol Abercrombie (center) with Joe Hoke (left) and Andy Ashley (right) from the Savannah District Corps of Engineers*



*Patrick Graham with CHA*



Thanks to everyone who attended, listened, and participated. We are already getting excited to organize next year's E-Week!



*Maureen Hoke, O'Brien & Gere and Dr. Frank Goforth, Georgia Southern University (GSU), and Advisor for the SAME Savannah Student Post at GSU*



*Theresa Wexel, Clemmons Engineers*

## DON'T FORGET TO SAVE THE DATES:

### March 18, 2013

The Savannah Post and USACE Savannah District (Andy Ashley) will hold a mentoring session for potential YOUNG MEMBERS at 3 p.m. in the Corps' Executive Conference Room. The topics for discussion will include: What has SAME has done for you?, How has SAME helped your community?, How has SAME helped in your job search? Has SAME helped you establish contacts and better network? If you are interested in attending or learning more about this event, please contact Justin Arnsdorff at [jarnsdorff@hgbd.com](mailto:jarnsdorff@hgbd.com)



### Upcoming Events:

DOD and Federal Agency FY14 Program Briefings on March 26, 2013; Bethesda, Maryland

**SAME Joint Engineer Training Conference & EXPO**  
from May 21-24;  
San Diego, California

**SAME / DBIA Federal Project Delivery Symposium**  
from August 20-22;  
National Harbor, Maryland

**Executive Forum**  
from October 7-10;  
Sacramento, California

**2013 South Central – South Atlantic Engineering Training Symposium**  
from October 22-24; Mobile, Alabama

### June 11-12, 2013

The SAME Savannah Post Small Business Showcase, and Annual Program Review at the Marriott Riverfront in Savannah. The Annual Golf Tournament will be held at The Westin Savannah Harbor Golf Resort and Spa in Savannah.





## SUSTAINING MEMBER BRIEFINGS 2013

For 2013, the Savannah Post SAME is offering Sustaining Member firms the opportunity to submit an article on their company for the monthly newsletter, and to have a two-minute briefing to discuss their firm at the monthly SAME meeting. Each firm will be asked to bring a gift to raffle. A list of all sustaining members is below with each member's assigned month. We ask that all articles be forwarded to Larry Christopher at [lchristopher@brasfieldgorrie.com](mailto:lchristopher@brasfieldgorrie.com). Please contact Hugh Giggelman at [hgiggelman@cemsengineering.com](mailto:hgiggelman@cemsengineering.com) for more information.

### JANUARY

AECOM  
Alliant Corporation  
AMEC  
American Structurepoint  
Applied Engineering Solutions, Inc.  
ARCADIS  
Atkins  
Barge Waggoner Sumner and Cannon Inc.  
Bechtel-S Corporation  
Bhate Environmental Assoc. Inc.  
Brasfield & Gorrie General Contractors  
Bristol Alliance of Companies  
Brown & Caldwell  
BRPH Companies Inc.

### FEBRUARY

E-Week Technical Conference

### MARCH

Building & Earth Sciences Inc.  
Burns & McDonnell  
CAPE  
Cardno TBE  
Carolinas Concrete Masonry Association  
Carothers Construction, Inc.  
Castle Engineering, LLC  
CDM Smith  
CEMS Engineering Inc.  
CH2MHILL  
Clark Nexsen  
Cogdell & Mendrala Architects, P.C.  
Columbia Engineering & Services, Inc.  
Cromwell Architects Engineers  
Crowder Construction Company

### APRIL

CTI and Associates, Inc.  
Davis & Floyd, Inc.  
Dewberry  
Dulohery, Weeks & Gagliano Inc.  
EA Engineering, Science & Technology, Inc.  
Eaton Corporation  
ECC  
Edifice  
Elkins Constructors, Inc.  
Environmental Services, Inc.  
GEL Geophysics, LLC  
Golder Associates, Inc.  
Goodwyn Mills & Cawood, Inc.

Government Services Integrated  
Process Team LLC  
Greenhorne & O'Mara

### MAY

JETC Conference

### JUNE

Annual Program Review

### JULY

Guidon Design, Inc.  
Harvard Jolly Architecture  
Hatch Mott MacDonald  
HDR  
Holocene, LLC  
Howard W. Pence, Inc.  
Hussey, Gay Bell & DeYoung  
IKHANA, LLC.  
J2 Engineering, Inc.  
Jacobs  
JE Dunn Construction  
Kennedy Engineering & Asso. Group, LLC.  
KBE Building Corporation  
KBR Government & Infrastructure  
Knight Architects, Inc.

### AUGUST

LBYD, Inc.  
Leetex Construction, LLC.  
Leo A Daly  
LG2 Environmental Solutions, Inc.  
Lindbergh & Associates, LLC  
Lowe Engineers  
LS3P Associates Ltd.  
Mason & Hanger  
McDonough Bolyard Peck, Inc.  
Merrick & Company  
Micah Group Environmental Contractors, Inc.  
Michael Baker Corporation  
Moffatt & Nichol  
MRI Architectural Group, Inc.  
MWH  
North Wind Inc.

### SEPTEMBER

O'Brien & Gere Parsons  
Paragon Environmental Construction, Inc.  
Parsons  
Parsons Brinckerhoff  
Pinnacle Construction & Development  
Group, Inc.

Pond & Company  
Port City Design Group, LLC  
Project Management Services  
Ramey Kemp & Associates  
R.C. Construction Co., Inc.  
R2T  
Reeves Construction Company  
Reynolds, Smith & Hills, Inc.  
Rosser International  
Q Solutions, Inc.  
S&ME, Inc.

### OCTOBER

Science Applications International Corp.  
Schenkel Shultz  
Sherlock, Smith & Adams  
Siemens Industries Inc  
Small Business Group, Inc. (DBA SBG-EEG)  
Southern Energy Management  
Spatial Engineering Inc.  
SpecPro Environmental Services LLC  
Stanley Consultants Inc.  
Stantec Inc.  
STOA Architects  
Sundt Construction, Inc.  
Teng & Associates, Inc.  
TerranearPMC, LLC  
Tetra Tech, Inc.  
The Louis Berger Group Inc.

### NOVEMBER

The Sack Co. & SCM Inc.  
The Shaw Group Inc.  
Thompson Engineering Inc.  
Tidewater Environmental Services, Inc.  
Toland & Mizell Architects, Inc.  
Trans Systems  
United Consulting Group, Ltd.  
URS Corporation  
Volkert, Inc.  
Walbridge  
Weston Solutions, Inc.  
W.G. Yates & Sons Construction Company  
WK Dickson & Co., Inc.  
Wolverton & Associates, Inc.  
Woolpert, Inc.

### DECEMBER

SAME Savannah Post Christmas Party



## MARCH SUSTAINING MEMBER HIGHLIGHT

### CLARK • NEXSEN *Architecture & Engineering*

Clark Nexsen is an award winning

architecture, engineering, interior design, planning, and landscape architecture firm that has been in continuous operation for more than 90 years. With offices in Macon, Atlanta and Brunswick, GA ; Washington, DC; Norfolk, Richmond and Roanoke, Virginia; Charlotte and Raleigh, North Carolina, Clark Nexsen employs a staff of nearly 500 dedicated professionals — more than 165 of whom are LEED Accredited. Clark Nexsen’s portfolio includes a list of projects that covers the entire United States and more than 41 countries around the world. The firm has designed major projects for the federal government, state and local governments, as well as major corporations and all markets in the private sector. The firm’s architecture, engineering, interior design and planning design teams specialize in college and university, commercial, offices, government, recreational, healthcare, manufacturing and land planning projects.

In 2011, Clark Nexsen joined with Technicon Engineering, Inc., a Georgia-based professional organization that provides engineering and architectural design and construction management for government and industrial clients. The joining of our two companies has created a very strong foundation of A/E/C experience that better serves our current clients and expands our project base with both new clients and project types.

Clark Nexsen has extensive experience with several federal agencies, including NAVFAC, US Army Corps of Engineers, and the Department of Homeland Security, to name a few.

Clark Nexsen has worked with the federal government for nearly 63 years. They have completed hundreds of projects at federal installations around the world. The firm has had success with providing high-quality design services for multi-phased design and construction programs working under Indefinite Delivery/ Indefinite Quantity contracts, Multiple Award Construction Contracts and also with the Design/Build delivery method.



3<sup>rd</sup> Brigade Barracks Complex, Fort Bragg, NC



108<sup>th</sup> Air Defense Artillery Tactical Equipment Maintenance Facility, Fort Bragg, NC

## LINKS TO KNOW

- <http://www.same.org/>
- <http://samesavannahpost.org/>
- <http://www.sas.usace.army.mil/>

## WE WANT YOUR INPUT

If you have an article or announcement you want to include in future issues of the newsletter, please submit them by the end of the previous month to Larry Christopher with Brasfield & Gorrie General Contractors at [lchristopher@brasfieldgorrie.com](mailto:lchristopher@brasfieldgorrie.com)