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OCTOBER SPEAKER SPOTLIGHT

J. Darren Mickler III

Born November 6, 1965, I was a lifelong resident of Twiggs County and the city of Jeffersonville until moving to Bonaire in early 2003. I graduated from Twiggs Academy in 1984, received an associate degree in Business Administration from Middle Georgia College in Cochran and a bachelor's degree in Management from Georgia College & State University in Milledgeville.

I was employed by YKK(USA)INC. in Macon from 1988 until 2000, serving as Technical Engineer and then Process Manager in Polyester Raw Materials. In 2000 I took a position with Morgan Stanley as a licensed Financial Advisor. Also in 2000 I was elected to the Jeffersonville City Council, where I served until moving in 2003. I began my tenure with the Professional Licensing Boards on July 1st 2002.

I have been married to the former Marcee Arnold since 1993. She is an Industrial Engineer (Ga Tech 93) for Robins Air Force Base. We have 2 children, Jay 15 and Channen 12.

My hobbies include hunting, fishing and golf.

YOUNG MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS



Justin Arnsdorff

New Director of Savannah SAME Young Members

Please welcome Justin Arnsdorff, P.E. as the new Director of Young Members (age 35 or younger) to the Savannah SAME Post. Prior to this position Justin served, and is remaining, as the Assistant Programs Chair. He graduated from the Georgia Institute of Technology, Savannah Campus, in 2006 with a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering. Justin is a Project Engineer with URS Corporation. He has been a member of SAME Savannah Post since 2009 and is eager to seek opportunities to improve social networking with the young members. Please feel free to provide any input to advance the young members participation or if you have any questions to Justin.Arnsdorff@urs.com. You can also email the Director of Student Post Outreach, Maureen Hoke, at hokemt@bog.com for any questions regarding the local Student Chapter.



Update on the Ga Tech Savannah SAME Student Post

On September 26, SAME Student Post had their first meeting of the semester, with COL Jeffrey Hall as our speaker. After he and I introduced SAME to the attendees, COL Hall opened the floor to any questions the students wanted to ask. He offered wholesome advice on decisions we should make to get our careers started, how he started his, and encouraged us that doors will open and close to lead us through our career. He also answered questions about the harbor deepening project and about USACE in general. We had a very impressive turnout for the meeting, and several students express how much they enjoyed hearing COL Hall speak. *(continued on page four)*



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SMALL BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

ATTN: Small Business Owners

Sam Graves (R-MO) is the Chairman of the Small Business Committee in the U.S. House of Representatives. They are launching a brand new interactive online community today called 'Small Biz Open Mic.' This interactive online community will give small business owners from all across America the ability to communicate directly with the House Small Business Committee. To do their jobs well, they need to hear directly from small business owners about how government

is hurting or helping their business. The Small Business Committee not only wants, but needs to hear from you. Attached is a link to Congressman Graves' "Small Biz Open Mic" web site. http://www.linkedin.com/news?viewArticle=&articleID=782866951&gid=4079826&type=member&item=71468402&articleURL=http%3A%2F%2Fwww%2Esmallbusiness%2Ehouse%2Egov%2Fopenmic&urlhash=Ej1_&goback=%2Egde_4079826_member_71468402

Corps of Engineers employee wins national award

Leilia Hollis of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Savannah District, received the 2010 Secretary of the Army Small Business Specialist of the Year Award during the Seventh Annual National Veterans Conference.

Hollis was recognized for her outstanding leadership and dedication to the army's small business program.

Hollis heads the corps' small business office in Savannah and has been instrumental in publicizing the corps' small business programs in a variety of venues, such as speaking engagements, conferences, and monthly counseling sessions with small and large businesses.



LINKS TO KNOW:

<http://www.same.org/>

<http://samesavannahpost.org/>

<http://www.sas.usace.army.mil/>



ATTENTION: SUSTAINING MEMBER FIRMS

Starting next year (January 2012) SAME Savannah will be changing how we do our monthly Sustaining Member briefing. In the past we have picked one firm for each meeting to give a 5 minute briefing about their firm. In the coming years we would like to get more involvement from our Sustaining Member Firms. We want each firm to have the opportunity to present their firm once a year. This will mean there will be multiple firms presenting at each meeting. Briefings will be limited to about 2 minutes. Each firm presenting will be asked to bring a gift to raffle. We will assign the monthly slots in December and will give you a follow-up email to confirm your spot.

*NOTE: January firms, please submit articles by **December 16** to Larry Christopher with Brasfield & Gorrie at lchristopher@brasfieldgorrie.com*

JANUARY

AECOM
Alliant Corporation
AMEC
Applied Engineering Solutions, Inc.
ARCADIS
B P Barber
Barge Waggoner Sumner and Cannon Inc.
Bhate Environmental Assoc. Inc.
Brasfield & Gorrie General Contractors
Bristol Alliance of Companies

FEBRUARY

BRPH Companies Inc.
Building & Earth Sciences Inc.
Burgess & Niple
Burns & McDonnell
Campbell & Paris Engineers
CAPE
Cardno TBE
Carothers Construction, Inc.
Castle Engineering, LLC
CEMS Engineering Inc.

MARCH

CH2MHILL
Collins Engineers Inc.
Columbia Engineering & Services, Inc.
Cromwell Architects Engineers
Crowder Construction Company
CTI and Associates, Inc.
Delmonico Restoration & Development, LLC.
Dulohery, Weeks & Gagliano Inc.
Ecology & Environment Inc.
Edifice

APRIL

Elkins Constructors, Inc.
Environmental Services, Inc.
Florence & Hutcheson, Inc.
GEL Geophysics, LLC
Government Services Integrated Process Team LLC
Greenberg Farrow

Greenhorne & O'Mara
Harkins Development Corporation
HDR
HNTB

MAY

Howard W. Pence, Inc.
Interface FLOR
J2 Engineering, Inc.
Jacobs
JE Dunn Construction
Jordan, Jones & Goulding
KBR Government & Infrastructure
KCI Technologies Inc.
Kennedy Engineering & Associates Group LLC
Knight Architects, Inc.

JUNE

Annual Program Review

JULY

LandAir Surveying Company
LEO A DALY
Lifecycle Construction Services, LLC
Lindbergh & Associates, LLC
Lowe Engineers
LS3P Associates Ltd.
M3 Construction Services Inc
MACTEC Engineering and Consulting Inc.
Mashburn Construction Company
Mason & Hanger

AUGUST

McDonough Bolyard Peck, Inc.
Merrick & Company
Micah Group Environmental Contractors, Inc.
Michael Baker Corporation
Moffatt & Nichol
MWH
Nobles Consulting Group, Inc.
North Wind Inc.
O'Brien & Gere
Parsons
Parsons Brinckerhoff
PBS&J

SEPTEMBER

Persaud Companies Inc.
Pond & Company

Port City Design Group, LLC
Prime Engineering Inc.
R.C. Construction Co., Inc.
R2T
Redteam Software LLC
Reeves Construction Company
Reynolds, Smith & Hills, Inc.
S&ME, Inc.
Science Applications International Corp.
Sherlock, Smith & Adams

OCTOBER

Siemens Industries Inc
Small Business Group, Inc. (DBA SBG-EEG)
Smoak Design Inc
Spatial Engineering Inc.
SpecPro Environmental Services LLC
Stanley Consultants Inc.
Stantec Inc.
STOA Architects
Studio 2LR
Sungwon Georgia Corp.
TAB Commissioning Services, Inc.
Teng & Associates, Inc.
TerranearPMC, LLC

NOVEMBER

Tetra Tech, Inc.
The Angus Corporation
The Louis Berger Group Inc.
The Management Edge
The Shaw Group Inc.
The Whiting Turner Contracting Company
Thomas & Hutton Engineering Co.
Thompson Engineering Inc.
Tidewater Environmental Services, Inc.
TMS Contracting, LLC.
Toltest, Inc.
Tug Hill Construction
United Consulting Group, Ltd.

DECEMBER

URS Corporation
Weston Solutions, Inc.
Wildlands Environmental, Inc.
WK Dickson & Co., Inc.
Wolverton & Associates, Inc.
Woolpert, Inc.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Meetings:

October 24 - Joint meeting with Georgia Tech Student Post for more information <http://samesavannahpost.org>

November 14 - Army/Air Force Exchange Service (invited)

December 12 - Jim Weller, GSA Regional Commissioner Regional 4 and 7 (venue TBD)

Conferences:

October 18-20
SAME SC/SA Regional Conference in Destin, Florida
<http://www.regonline.com/builder/site/default.aspx?EventID=892121>

November 1-3
Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference in Virginia Beach, Virginia
http://posts.same.org/hamptonroads/2011regconf_index.html

November 28-30
Small Business Conference for DoD Programs in National Harbor, Maryland

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 first Friday of every month to Larry Christopher with lchristopher@brasfieldgorrie.com

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

IMV	Michael H. Elliott Jr., P.E.	Metro Engineering and Surveying Co., Inc.	Hampton, GA
IMV	Richard L. Taylor	FLW Construction Inc.	Naples, FL
UNIF	MAJ John A. Dill III	USA, LEED AP	Lawton, OK
UNIF	ENS Marcus F. Knoll	USN	Buffalo, NY
CIVG	Todd B. Dell	RA	Savannah, GA
REP	Darren L. Sweet, P.E.	URS Corporation	Columbia, SC
REP	Keith Kowaldo	HDR	Charlotte, NC
YREP	Keth Wells	Reeves Construction Company	Macon, GA
	William D. Gilbert Jr.	The Sack Co & SCM, Inc.	Statesboro, GA
REP	Lisa Thoele	Reynolds, Smith & Hills, Inc.	Jacksonville, FL
REP	Stan Wielgosz	W.G.Yates & Sons Construction Company	Biloxi, MS
REP	Bruce Dykes	W.G.Yates & Sons Construction Company	Destin, FL
REP	Trace Martell	Reeves Construction Company	Macon, GA
REP	Sam Rapczak	Reeves Construction Company	Macon, GA
REP	Andrew Ray	Reeves Construction Company	Macon, GA
YREP	Justin Amsdorff	URS Corporation	Savannah, GA
REP	Doug Strohmeier	Brasfield & Gorrie General Contractors	Birmingham, AL
YREP	Justin Rannick	Brasfield & Gorrie General Contractors	Kennesaw, GA
REP	John Woosley	Bechtel-S Corporation	San Antonio, TX
POC	Bobby Cresap	Harvard Jolly Architecture	Jacksonville, FL
REP	Jeffrey E.Cobble AIA	Harvard Jolly Architecture	St. Petersburg, FL
REP	Michael K. Hart AIA, ACHA	Harvard Jolly Architecture	Tampa, FL
REP	Laurie Henry	Harvard Jolly Architecture	St. Petersburg, FL

Update on the SAME Student Post *(continued from page one)*

The student chapter has also been busy preparing for the October Joint Meeting on the 24th at 4 - 6 pm. This event promotes our Mentorship Program, where students are encouraged to develop contacts and relationships with professionals who can offer advice, guidance, and answer questions to lead them from college life to becoming a professional engineer. This meeting, which will be held at the Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum, is one of the most important events that SAME Student Post is responsible for setting up and we are very excited to hear that we have such strong support and participation from the sustaining members.

Lastly, due to the movement of the Ga Tech Savannah campus to Atlanta, SAME Student Post is trying to organize their transition to Georgia Southern. This will begin next semester and we will keep you posted on the progress of that move.

Stephanie M. Smallegan, EIT President, Savannah Student Chapter