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Society of American Military Engineers

Newsletter

JBLM MCA Program

FEBRUARY 15, 2024

11:30am - 1:00PM

Presenter: Jacob Gailey, Architect for JBLM's Directorate of Public Works - Master Planning Division

Location: Eagles Pride Golf Course
1529 Mounts Rd SW, DuPont, WA 98327

Joint Base Lewis-McChord: Planning Update

This presentation will provide an overview of real property master planning and new construction at Joint Base Lewis-McChord. It will include a summary of regional planning partnerships, an overview of the installation's Real Property Master Plan, and a summary of upcoming major projects. Attendees will get an update on the future vision and development of JBLM as it relates to planning and new construction. Please join us for this informative discussion focused solely on the topics outlined for this presentation.

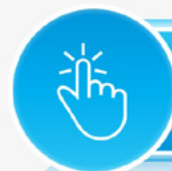
We are pleased to welcome licensed architect Jacob Gailey as our speaker for this month's SAME luncheon. Since earning his architectural license in 2020, Jacob has focused on residential and small-scale commercial projects in the South Puget Sound region, where he has practiced since 2009. Jacob brings experience from large-scale projects at places like Seattle-Tacoma International Airport. Currently a 2nd Lieutenant in the Army National Guard, he now works as an architect at Joint Base Lewis-McChord.

RSVP by Friday, February 12th to: Dave Newkirk (daven@rahaec.com)



SAME VISION

"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."



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EVENTS

March 12, 2024	ASCE/SAME Meeting, Chehalis River Flood Basin Program (Open Bar Social Following) 3:00 PM - Location TBD
March 14, 2024	Alliance NW Tacoma Convention Center, Tacoma, WA
April 9, 2024	Cybersecurity Presentation, University of Washington, Tacoma 1900 Commerce Street, Tacoma, WA
April 15,16, 2024	Small Business Symposium Kitsap Conference Center, Bremerton, WA
June 11, 2024	Meet the Chiefs TBD, Seattle, WA
July TBD, 2024	SAME Joint Summer Social (Tacoma & Seattle)
August TBD, 2024	SAME Joint Golf Tournament (Tacoma & Seattle)

MOUNT TACOMA POST

Origins of the SAME Mount Tacoma Post

SAME Mt. Tacoma (Tahoma) was founded November 6, 1950, Tahoma is the native/indigenous name for Mt. Rainier

The Tacoma Post of the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME) was established in 1950, joining the growing number of SAME posts after the national Society's creation in 1919. The original name of the post was the Tacoma-Fort Lewis-Olympia Post of the Society of American Military Engineers. SAME was formed with the goal of bringing together civilian and military engineers to collaborate and share knowledge for the benefit of national defense. The Tacoma Post has a rich history dating back over 70 years, with its members making valuable contributions to military engineering projects and innovations in the Pacific Northwest and beyond. From constructing essential infrastructure at military installations across Washington state to advising policymakers on engineering and national security matters, the Tacoma Post has played a key role in SAME's mission of connecting military and civilian engineers to advance engineering support for national security. Over the past seven decades, the Tacoma Post has carried on this tradition of excellence in engineering support and remains an active forum for cooperation between military and civilian engineers in the Tacoma region and surrounding areas.

Original Objective from 1950:

In the interest of national defense; to advance knowledge of the science of military engineering; to promote efficiency in the military engineer service of the United States; to maintain its best standards and traditions, to preserve the memory services rendered by the engineering profession throughout the wars in which the United States has been engaged; to encourage and foster and develop between military engineers and other arms of the military service a spirit of cooperation and mutual understanding of their respective duties, powers and limitations; to encourage, foster and develop relations of helpful interest between the engineering profession in civil life and that in the military service; to hold meetings for the presentation and discussion of appropriate papers for social and professional intercourse.





STEM/ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION CAMPS

Start Your STEM Journey in Summer 2024!

Looking to engage in hands-on learning and fun?

SAME offers week-long summer STEM/Engineering & Construction Camps for high school students!

Led by industry professionals and other volunteers from the military and engineering community, the SAME Camps Program focuses on hands-on, project-based learning that provides students with opportunities to begin exploring STEM fields, including science, engineering and construction as well as technology and the environment; work together in teams; and chart a course for future education, leadership, and workforce opportunities.

The camps each feature many dynamic activities, including building concrete beams and dog kennels, operating drones and remote-controlled underwater vehicles, using survey equipment, constructing and racing cardboard boats, and more!

CAMP HIGHLIGHTS:

- Camps last one week and range from \$100 - \$800.
- Early Bird registration discounts.
- Scholarships for campers are available.
- Camps are offered at six locations/bases.
- Lodging and all meals provided.
- Camps held in June and July; all are overnight camps.
(Must be at least 15 years of age to apply: rising sophomore, junior, or senior.)

Campers are selected by SAME Posts from around the country, which often provide offsetting financial support toward camp tuition. Each year, more than 75 percent of campers receive over half their costs paid.

Application Deadline: March, 15, 2024

TEAMWORK



LEADERSHIP



PROJECT MANAGEMENT



PROBLEM-SOLVING



2024 SAME CAMPS SCHEDULE



SAME/U.S. ARMY CAMP
Vicksburg, Miss.
JUNE 9-15



SAME/U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY CAMP
Colorado Springs, Colo.
JUNE 23-29



SAME/U.S. MARINE CORPS CAMP
Camp Lejeune, N.C.
JUNE 23-29



SAME/U.S. NAVY CAMP
Port Hueneme, Calif.
JULY 14-20
*Exact dates still being finalized.



SAME/U.S. NAVY CAMP
Naval Air Station
Jacksonville, Fla.
JUNE 23-29



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Why join the Society of American Military Engineers?

If you are thinking of joining a professional association, it is critical that you ask yourself “what does membership provide for you?” We can all agree that there is little value in paying dues and investing time into an organization just to check a box. After all, the relationship you have with a professional association should create a connection to something that you can relate to and have a passion for. Personally, I struggled with finding what was right for me when considering membership for many professional associations, but then I discovered the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME). My initial impression was that it very much felt like an officer’s club that did not have much to offer a young noncommissioned officer.

I discovered, however, that SAME is a diverse organization that routinely invests in the development of its members. From new member, to the President of the Society, this professional association wants to help you become a better leader supporting the defense of our Nation. SAME provides fantastic networking opportunities, plenty of options for volunteering, technical information through webinars and publications, and even offers stipends to pay for professional certifications. Plus, the membership fee covers the life of your uniformed service!

Everyone can benefit from what SAME has to offer, and you do not need to be an Engineer or have a degree to join. You can volunteer with your local Post, participate in networking events and professional development briefs, and even get a one-day pass for the annual Joint Engineer Training Conference (JETC) or Small Business Conference (SBC) at no cost.

SAME offers professional NCOs tangible value with real rewards, over three distinct periods in a career.

Near-Term: Active SAME membership thrusts us into an environment of exposure to engineering techniques and practices of industry and Military Departments other than our own. We soak up information and knowledge without realizing it, immediately making us better NCOs.

Mid-Term: SAME offers unique opportunities to continue our technical education and pursue licenses and certifications from affiliated associations. Over a few months, credentialing can better posture NCOs for increased responsibility and promotion. Taking advantage of these industry-recognized certifications will also assist with a smoother transition when exiting the military.

Long-Term: NCOs will one day move on from direct military service whether Active Duty or Reserve Component. Most of us change employers but we still prefer technical employment in such a rewarding field. If you want to secure the future, SAME offers the best opportunity for networking with potential employers.

I truly wish I had learned these things sooner in my career, so I urge you not to wait. Come see what SAME can do for you!

CMSgt Adam Boubede

Membership: What's in it for you?

What is SAME?

➤ A professional organization that supports your professional and engineering knowledge and career developmental growth.

➤ SAME offers a wide variety of support programs to help you obtain engineering related professional credentialing.

➤ SAME is recognized as "the multi-disciplined integrator of national infrastructure related capabilities" where you have the opportunity to learn about and network with uniformed service engineers and leading commercial engineering firms all supporting the country.

Benefits of being a SAME Member:

- Relationship building through a network of [100+ Posts](#) around the world, 1500 sustaining member A/C/E firms, academic institutions, military and government agencies at federal, state and local levels.
- [Stipends, Scholarships & Discounts](#) for education and training.
- Connecting with government and industry leaders.
- Access to cutting-edge [professional development opportunities](#).
- Volunteer [leadership opportunities](#) at the local, regional and national levels to grow your skills.
- [Transition assistance](#) with complimentary workshops, mentoring & networking.
- Reimbursement for professional [credentialing fees](#).
- Subscription to [The Military Engineer](#) technical magazine.
- Support through the [Enlisted Committee](#).



STEM, Veterans, & Community Support [In 2017, SAME's 100+ Posts & members...](#)

- Awarded over 700 **scholarships**, totaling nearly \$1 million.
- Spent over 16,000 hours supporting **STEM**.
- Contributed over 12,000 hours of **community service**.
- Donated nearly \$286,000 to **K-12 STEM** programs.
- Gave nearly \$110,000 to **veterans & disabled veterans** programs.
- Spent 4,100 volunteer hours providing support to **veterans**.



Enlisted Membership Application

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Name

Mailing Address

Email 1

Email 2

Work Phone

Cell Phone

Base or Installation

Service Branch and Rank

DOB (mm/yy)

Highest Degree High School Technical/Associates Bachelors Masters Doctorate

Questions about membership?

Contact our Member Services Team member@same.org or 703.549.3800 ext. 131

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