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Affecting the Future through Engineering Partnerships

Jax Post Supports Engineering Career Day

More than 100 high school students from northeast Florida attended an Engineering Career Day event and project competition, hosted by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District, and co-sponsored by the Jacksonville Post, on February 25, 2011.

"Each year we try to top ourselves with a more vibrant, innovative program," said Engineering Division Chief Steve

Duba. "I'm confident we have done it once again. In the past, this event has convinced more than one young person to pursue engineering as their life's work and our goal is to continue that successful tradition."

Special guest speakers for the event was Lt. Col Ballard C. (Clint) Barker, the Jacksonville Deputy District Commander, who has served Continued on Page 6





From top: COL Al Pantano, Jax Post President, awards a member of a winning team at Career Day, Steve Duba, Engineering Division Chief, welcomes students, and, left, Tom Fallen, Castle Engineering, LLC, judges a student's team project. Å

Engineers Week Awards Banquet Spotlights Success

A big part of National Engineer Week is honoring those engineers who are making a difference in their fields. This ENG Affect is dedicated to the following professionals who were nominated by Jacksonville Post during Engineers Week: Brian Files, P.E., Parsons, *Engineer of the Year*, Melissa Reynolds, Corps of Engineers, *Young Engineer of the Year*, and Joe Bosley, Corps of Engineers, *Technician of the Year*.

The Post also wants to honor the 2011 Engineers Week Award winners, who were announced at the Engineers Week banquet:

SAME Enlisted Achievement Award Winner
- ICO CEC Petty Officer Jason Knorr,
CBMU 202, NAS, Jacksonville, Teacher of the

Year - Steven Lyons, Nease High School; Technician of the Year - Janet Duffy, Eisman & Russo; Young Engineer of the Year - Katrina Estel Myers EI, Taylor Engineering; Engineer of the Year - Thomas A. Grogan Jr. P.E., The Haskell Company; and Professor of the Year - Chris Brown, Ph.D., University of North Florida.

The Haskell Company and Taylor Engineering are Sustaining Members of the Jacksonville Post. Dr. Chris Brown is a member of the Jacksonville Post and UNF Student Post faculty representative.

Congratulations to these fine professionals.

Enlisted Achievement Award Winner CPO Knorr

Supply Chief/CMEO Manager Jason Knorr was recently awarded the SAME Enlisted Achievement Award of the Year for his outstanding contributions to the improvement of Navy life.

Serving as the Port Operations Chief, Chief Petty Officer Knorr led 15 troops at the Port of Jacksonville in support of Operation Unified Response following a devastating earthquake in Haiti. He led teams in the preparation and shipment of more than one million pounds of critical Class IV construction materials, Civil Engineer Support Equipment (CESE), and life support materials delivered to forward deployed Naval Construction Force (NCF) Units to rebuild piers and provide humanitarian support to the ravaged area. His team's hard work gained numerous accolades from the NCF and Port Commands.

As Supply Chief for CBMU 202, Detachment Jacksonville, he is a driving force behind the construction programs and the day to day support which directly enhances Naval Air Station Jacksonville's overall ability to perform its mission. His efforts attributed to Naval Air Station Jacksonville, Florida receiving the Southeast Region Installation Excellence Award for FY09.



Mike Holm, right, presents CPO Jason Knorr SAME's Enlisted Achievement Award plaque along with \$100 at the luncheon on March 15th. He will also be provided a complimentary SAME membership.

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April Opportunity

Network with SAME, ASCE and FES!

DATE: Tuesday, April 19, 2011

LOCATION: Ramada Inn- Mandarin 1-295 & State Road 13

3130 Hartley Road

AGENDA: 11:30 -- 12:00 noon

Registration and Social Time

12:00 -- 12:30 p.m.

Lunch and Announcements

12:30 -- 1:15 p.m. Speaker

SPEAKER: Karl Hankin, PE; Manager, Water/Sewer System Planning, JEA

COST: \$17.00 (\$20.00 w/o reservation)

MENU:

Chicken Florentine
Steamed Vegetable Medley
Twice Baked Potatoes
Red Velvet Cake
Tossed Salad, Rolls & Butter
Coffee, Lemonade & Iced Tea

RESERVATIONS: Please e-mail

Shavonne Hoyte at shovte@ghyabi.com
by Thursday, April 14th or sign-up and pay on our website www.jaxasce.com. Checks made payable to "ASCE" will be collected at the registration table. Reservations must be guaranteed, "no shows" will be billed for the cost. Also, all persons without reservations will be charged \$20. \(\)

Karl Hankin, P.E.

speaks about

JEA's Total Water Management Plan/Projects

Karl will give an overview of JEA's Total Water Management Plan with some details on a few of the projects associated with the plan.

Jacksonville Post Approves Two New Field Chapters

Congratulations to the San Juan, Puerto Rico and the GITMO (Guantanamo Bay, Cuba) Field Chapters being a part of the Jacksonville Post. The benefits and objectives of these field chapter is to link more remote military installations and professionals with an established Post, to respond to the needs of SAME members in remote locations and facilitate improved communications among SAME members, the military services and private sector AEC firms through conducting a professionally oriented program or activity at a field chapter location. A



welcomes your contributions...

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Pavel Discusses Benefits of Total Precast Building Systems with BIM and 3D Modeling

Mike Holm, MACTEC, 2nd Vice President, Jacksonville Post presided over the luncheon meeting on March 15, 2011 with 82 persons in attendance. William Wilson provided FES announcements. Mike Holm provided the SAME announcements and introduced the luncheon speaker, Rob Pavel, PE, Vice President of Engineering - Gate Precast, Kissimmee, FL.

The presentation on "Precast Building Construction and Engineering" showed slides of numerous precast structures and gave everyone a basic overview of precast concrete building components typically used in commercial construction and parking garages. Mr. Pavel described the concept of prestressing, discussed the benefits of Total Precast Buildings Systems, explained through the use of BIM and 3D modeling, Gate engineers and detailers can develop an infinite number of shapes, textures and finishes that can be integrated into the design, drawings, specs and shop drawings. Architectural precast is known for unlimited aesthetic possiblities, long term durabilitry, thermal performance and the ability to accelerate occupancy. Precast also offers superior quality because all products are made off site in a controlled environment which reduces site disturbance. Other features are precast's ability to withstand natural disasters and resistance to blast. Design professionals are taking advantage of precast and its inherant ability to be used as aload-bearing element eliminating a redundant structural system. The design flexibility of architectural precast can enhance any exyerior therefore maintaining architectural precast as a premier building enclosure system. Gate has over 30 years of expereience manufactoring Precast concrete systems. All of Gate's plants are PCI Certified and undergo thorough, unannounced audits to maintain the trusted and specified certification. Mr. Pavel concluded the presentation with a discussion of Design Considerations and Detailing of Precast and answered questions from the audience.

Mike Holm presented Mr. Pavel with a Jacksonville Post Coffee Mug at the conclusion of the program. 0.5 PDH was awarded for the presentation. ↑



Rob Pavel, PE

Enlisted Achievement Award Winner CPO Knorr

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Additionally, as the Command Managed Equal Opportunity (CMEO) Representative for CBMU 202, Detachment Jacksonville, he spearheaded a team of nine in the completion of a yearly review identifying areas of improvement for the Unit. As a result the 59 personnel perform as a more cohesive Unit. His proactive and approachable style is instrumental to numerous troops who seek Chief's guidance and advice. His efforts directly contributed to the Unit receiving the Retention Excellence Award for 2009& 2010.

Knorr also played a part in the completion of projects ranged from: refurbishing of the Sea King Park restrooms, constructing the Youth Center playground sidewalks and patios, to replacing drainage headwalls and road repairs. He also supported Cecil Field and Yellowstone community safety projects requested via Public Works for the demolition of old playgrounds and softball fields.

Knorr's superb performance has been the driving force behind the unquestionable success of CBMU 202 and why he is being honored for his achievements today. \(\)

Jax Post Judges Science Foil Source and Engineering Fair

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Local science fair season kicked off in late November 2010 and the Jacksonville Post was ready to be involved. On December 2, Directors Ed Brown and Tim Gysan participated as judges for the Holy Family Catholic School Middle School Science Fair. Grades 5 through 8 were represented with the top three students in each grade moving forward. Four judges at each grade level reviewed between 40 and 50 student projects, with each showing their unique take on the scientific process.

On December 15, Directors Mike Holm, Melissa Reynolds, Carlos Cepero and Tim Gysan along with UNF Student Chapter President Robert Noble, participated as judges for the Darnell Cookman Middle School Science Fair. Judges were treated to some outstanding projects in areas ranging from engineering to physics and chemistry.

The climax to the local science fair season, the Northeast Florida Regional Science and Engineering Fair, was held at the Morocco Shrine Auditorium on 6-8 February 2011 with approximately 350 projects being displayed.

Bill Schaefer and Al Walker, USACE, Jacksonville District, served as specialty judges representing the Society of Military Engineers Jacksonville Post.

Schaefer and Walker reviewed 124 Engineering and Physics projects developed and presented by students from the middle and high schools in the Northeast Florida Region. The judges were hard pressed to determine the top project in each of the four areas that the Society awarded. After hours of interviews and discussions the team picked a top project in both the Senior and Junior levels of the Engineering and the Physics categories.

Schaefer attended the closing ceremonies on the evening of 8 February 2011 and made the presentations of the certificates and award checks to each of the four winning students.

The *junior* choices are: Matthew B. Pekarek, Engineering Junior Division, First Place, James Weldon Johnson Middle School / Patrick Kyne - Teacher

Valerie M. Starks, Physics Junior Division, First lace, Kirby-Smith Middle School / Ohmann – Teacher

The *senior* choices are: Arielle C. Kellam, Engineering Senior Division, First Place, Stanton College Preparatory High School / Mrs. Hood – Teacher.



Al Walker, left, and Bill Schaefer represented the Jax Post at a recent Science and Engineering Fair.

Heather L. Overstreet, Physics Senior Division, First Place, Stanton College Preparatory High School / Wooten – Teacher. *Congratulations!* \(\)



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the U.S. Army in a wide variety of mobilization leadership roles.

The theme for this year's event was "Deploying Tomorrow's Engineer" and the focus of the problems facing the students will center on mobilization.

Participating high schools included: Robert E. Lee High School, Fernandina Beach High School,

Eagles View Academy, Bishop Kenny High School,

Mandarin Christian School, Clay High School, First

Coast High School, Frank H. Peterson Academies,

Providence High School, and Yulee High School.

The event's activities included a day of hands-on competitions, interaction with dozens of exhibitors from engineering firms and universities throughout Florida, a luncheon, and a keynote speech. The takehome project for 2011 was to design a working mobile bridge that could be transported in a compact package and, when deployed, be able to bear a certain amount of weight.

Many thanks to the many SAME sustaining member firms and other organization who was part of the exhibition and interacted with the students. Exhibitors included: AEROSTAR, Bergmann, Castle Engineering, Civil Services, Gannett Fleming, Golder Associates, HNTB, Jones Edmunds, LG2 Environmental Solutions, MACTEC, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Southeast, SAME, Stellar, PBS&J and Taylor Engineering.







College of Engineering



What are you doing this summer?

Rev up your plans with the SAME Army, Navy or Air Force Engineering and Construction Camp Experience...

and let SAME help foot the bill!

What's Up...

- *At SAME Engineering and Construction Camps, high school students from across the country learn engineering solutions and skills from professional engineers while getting a taste of what it means to work for and with the military services. These exciting weeklong camps take place during the summer months in a variety of settings—the colorful Colorado Rockies, the beautiful Southern California Coast, or the historic Mississippi Valley.
- Student must have expressed an interest in pursuing a degree in engineering, architecture or related field.
- *SAME Jacksonville Post will fund transportation cost and one-half the registration fee (1/2 of \$550) for USAF and Navy Camps; Post will fund transportation cost for US Army Camp (student fund \$50 registration fee).

How To...

Submit all applications to Jax Post representative: Laureen Borochaner, P.E. US Army Corps of Engineers 701 San Marco Blvd. Jacksonville, FL 32207

(904) 232-1122

Engineering and Construction Camps

Application Guidelines at www.same.org/camps

CAMP LOCATION DATES JAX POST ELIGIBLE APP DEADLINE

US Army Vicksburg, MS 19-25 June 12 March Rising Junior or Senior

US Colorado Springs, 24-30 June 6 April Rising Sophomore
Air Force CO Junior, Senior
(plus interest in applying to service academy or ROTC program)

US Navy Port Heuneme, 31 July-6 August 6 April Rising Sophomore Seabees CA Junior, Senior



Above and Right: Summer Camp Selectees-"Whoops...there goes the beam" exclaims Connor White!

Joel Torres and his team work on their beam assignment.



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