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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

We're well into the fourth quarter of the calendar year as I write this and we've had many great successes thus far in 2010, of which you all can be proud. I can't tell you how proud I am of each and every one of you who make the Oklahoma City Post so successful year after year! Thanks to our many super individual members and our great sustaining member supporters who make this post the great post that it is!

I am proud to announce to the membership that Jennifer Fogg with the ASSET Group was nominated by the Oklahoma City Post as a SAME Fellow and that national has recognized Jennifer with this honor! Congratulations to Jennifer for winning this prestigious award and for becoming our newest Fellow from the Oklahoma City Post!

Our annual golf tournament on October 8<sup>th</sup> at Kickingbird was another great success! We greatly appreciate the tremendous sponsorship of this annual event that supports our scholarship program to the extent that it does. And, it never hurts to have a fun time while we're working toward a great cause. And, for those unable to attend the September luncheon in Norman at the National Weather Center, it was a

great pleasure for me to present scholarship checks to two OU students on behalf of the entire Oklahoma City Post membership.

Our OU Student Chapter participated in the 7<sup>th</sup> annual Rebuilding Together OKC Construction Derby on October 10<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to everyone who supported our OU Student Chapter again this year!

Recently Trudi Logan and Cindy Garrett spearheaded an effort by the post to support the family of a deployed Tinker service member. His wife and two kids live on Tinker AFB and are going through some rough times with the wife going through surgery on a foot and the challenges limited mobility cause. We are still looking for post members to volunteer to help with meals for the family and Trudi and Cindy will be happy to continue to facilitate access to the base for those who wish to bring meals to the family.

Three additional big events in the fourth quarter of 2010 – the Readiness/Emergency Preparedness Luncheon and Workshop on October 28<sup>th</sup>, our Small Business Luncheon on November 18<sup>th</sup>, and our annual holiday party on Thursday evening, December 2<sup>nd</sup>! Please check our web site often for updates to our programs as we suc-

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The mission of the Society of American Military Engineers is 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.

successfully complete the year and welcome in 2011!

Elections for 2011 will be held at the holiday party on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. If you are interested in helping with any officer or Board member positions in 2011 or have a nominee in mind for a specific position as our Vice President, Trudi Logan, develops the slate of candidates with the help of others, please let Trudi know ([trudi.logan@tinker.af.mil](mailto:trudi.logan@tinker.af.mil)).

Please be sure to send items of interest to Mike Moe ([michael.b.moe@saic.com](mailto:michael.b.moe@saic.com)) by early January for publication in the first quarterly newsletter of 2011. We greatly appreciate

Mike's efforts for having regularly published a quarterly newsletter throughout all of 2010!

If you have any comments or suggestions pertaining to any of our proposed activities during the remaining days of 2010 and into 2011, please don't hesitate to contact me at any time at [jeffery.kindschuh@us.af.mil](mailto:jeffery.kindschuh@us.af.mil), or feel free to contact any of our other officers or Board members at any time as well.

Hope to see you at a SAME event soon!

Regards,  
Jeff Kindschuh  
President, Oklahoma City Post

## PROGRAMS

### OCTOBER LUNCHEON/READINESS WORKSHOP

OCTOBER 28, 2010

#### READINESS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS WORKSHOP

**Luncheon Speaker: William A. Ward, P.E. Military—COL, EN, Commander, 110<sup>th</sup> Maneuver Enhancement Brigade, Missouri Army National Guard; Civilian—Chief, Programming, Engineering, and Construction Branch, 72<sup>nd</sup> Civil Engineer Directorate, 72<sup>nd</sup> Air Base Wing, US Air Force, Tinker Air Force Base.** Our luncheon speaker will be Col. William (Bill) Ward, a brigade commander in the National Guard and a civilian supervisor at Tinker AFB. In the military, Col. Ward has served for 26 years as an engineer officer, holding a myriad of positions, including platoon leader, construction engineer, company commander, civil engineer, operations officer, executive officer, battalion commander, brigade design engineer, deputy engineer brigade commander, and

most recently, commander of a maneuver enhancement brigade. He has deployed overseas eight times including nation building and humanitarian efforts in Honduras, Panama, Costa Rica, and Guatemala, has two combat tours in Iraq during Operation Iraqi Freedom, and has served twice as a Task Force Commander for National Guard state emergency duty during natural disasters.

As a civilian, Mr. Ward has worked as a design engineer, construction inspector, project



Please make your luncheon reservations with Kristi Foreman ([Kristi.foreman@chguernsey.com](mailto:Kristi.foreman@chguernsey.com)) or online through our [Post Store](#) by the Thursday before the luncheon date.

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### OCT. LUNCH/READINESS WORKSHOP (continued)

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manager, project engineer, and most recently as an engineering supervisor at Tinker AFB. Mr. Ward is a licensed engineer in the State of Oklahoma, holds a Master of Science in Strategic Studies from the United States Army War College and a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from the University of Missouri.

He is a member of the Society of American Military Engineers and received the Air Force Material Command's selection for the S.A.M.E. Newman Medal in 2009. Military honors include two Bronze Star Medals, three Meritorious Service Medals, the Iraqi Campaign Medal with two campaign stars, and the Army Engineer Association's Bronze Order of the de Fleury Medal.

**Presentation: Overview** The military's involvement in responding to domestic crises. This will include a brief overview of the National Response Framework (NRF) from an Army perspective, an overview of the Army's Defense Support of Civil Authorities (DSCA) mission, and finally, the role and capabilities of the National Guard with respect to responding to domestic crises.

**Workshop Panelists:** *Chief Terry Ford, Tinker Fire Department.* Terry G. Ford is the Fire Chief for the 72nd Air Base Wing, Tinker Air Force Base, Oklahoma. The Division protects Tinker's missions by providing world-class fire and emergency services to protect the installation's facilities, infrastructure, living quarters, and the environment. The diversity of the installation is represented in the various missions, including the Oklahoma City Air Logistics Center, 552nd Air Control Wing, 507th Air Refueling Wing, 3rd Combat Communications Group, 38th

Engineering Installation Group, Defense Information Systems Agency, and Defense Logistics Agency.

Mr. Ford began his fire service career as a fire fighter at King Salmon Airport Alaska and has served in every position in the fire service including technical training instructor, training superintendent, and command fire chief. He has served in locations throughout the country and across Europe. He is an Executive Fire Officer through the Department of Homeland Defense and a Chief Fire Officer Designee through the Commission on Chief Fire Officer Designation.



**Jennifer Fogg, CPF, ASSET Group.** Ms. Fogg is President & Chief Operating Officer for ASSET Group, Inc. as well as a CEO and managing partner in six other active OKC-based small businesses. Jennifer is directly responsible for planning and execution of all administrative, financial and business development initiatives and leads a team of more than 200 professionals. ASSET is an MBE, WBE, HUBZone certified, full service general construction contractor, headquartered in Oklahoma City with offices and projects from Delaware to California.



ASSET provides Federal government agencies with construction, SRM, remediation and

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### OCT. LUNCH/READINESS WORKSHOP (continued)

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disaster response services, including more than \$40 million in contracts at Tinker AFB and Ft. Sill. Over her twelve year career, Jennifer has overseen more than \$450 million in awarded construction, environmental and emergency response contracts and has won her companies more than \$5 billion in government contract capacity.

**Melissa McLawhorn Houston, Oklahoma Department of Homeland Security.** Melissa McLawhorn Houston currently serves as the Chief of Staff for the Oklahoma Office of Homeland Security (OKOHS). Melissa has been with the Oklahoma Office of Homeland Security since its creation in July 2002. In her current position, Melissa works to develop, recommend and implement various homeland security initiatives in the State of Oklahoma. Melissa first became involved in the issue of homeland security in 1995 when as a part of a group of family members and survivors of the Murrah Federal Building Bombing, she advocated for anti-terrorism legislation at the Federal level.

Immediately prior to her current position, Melissa was involved in political and policy development initiatives. She has worked on various campaigns including the Oklahoma State House and a statewide issue campaigns where she served as both the Coalitions Director and Political Director.

A recognized expert in criminal justice reform measures, Melissa has worked for sensible criminal justice reform. She played a lead role in reform efforts related to “truth in sentencing,” community sentencing and federal anti-terrorism legislation. Melissa served as Deputy Director for the Oklahoma Sheriffs’ Association, a state-wide organization representing the 77 elected county sheriffs. She also held the position of Staff Attorney for the Oklahoma Truth in Sentencing Policy Advisory Commission.

A proud graduate of the University of Oklahoma, Melissa received her Bachelor of Arts in Letters and her Juris Doctor from the University.

**Location and Time:** *Oklahoma City National Memorial & Museum, Center for Education and Outreach, 620 N. Harvey Avenue, OKC.* Enter North side of Building. Driving directions can be found [here](#). Check-in Time will be 11:30 am with lunch starting at noon. Workshop will start at 1:00 pm

and run until 4:00 pm.

**Workshop Cost:** \$25 (Lunch provided by What’s Cooking OKC); \$10 for Military, Government Employees & Young Members (courtesy of the Asset Group).

Register/pay on-line or RSVP to Kristi Foreman: [kristi.foreman@chguernsey.com](mailto:kristi.foreman@chguernsey.com) (405) 416-8351.

**Continuing Education Information:** Workshop qualifies for 3 PDHs.



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## *Readiness & Emergency Preparedness Workshop*

### *Agenda*

**11:30 – 12:00** Check-in/Networking

**12:00 – 1:00** *Military Involvement in Responding to Domestic Crises*  
Col William Ward, P.E. , Commander, Missouri ANG  
Chief, Programming, Engineering & Construction Branch  
72nd Civil Engineering Directorate, Tinker AFB

**Lunch**

**1:00 – 1:10** Break

**1:10 – 1:30** *Fire and Emergency Response Services*  
Terry Ford, Fire Chief, 72 ABW, Tinker AFB

**1:30 – 2:00** *How to Become a Disaster Response Contractor*  
Jennifer Fogg, CPF, President & Chief Operating Officer  
ASSET Group, Inc.

**2:00 – 2:30** *Prevent Terrorism, Prepare Citizens, and Disaster Response*  
*Oklahoma Red Dirt Ready*  
Melissa McLawhorn Houston, Chief of Staff  
Oklahoma Office of Homeland Security

**2:30 – 2:45** Break

**2:45 – 3:15** *Response to the Murrah Building Bombing*  
Albert Ashwood, Director  
Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management

**3:15 – 3:30** Questions and Answer

## PROGRAMS (continued)

### NOVEMBER LUNCHEON

NOVEMBER 18, 2010

**Guest Speaker:** *Linda Morris, US Army Corps of Engineers—Tulsa District, Office of Small Business Programs.* Ms. Morris has more than thirty years of Federal acquisition experience. Her career began working for the Federal Aviation Administration in Fort Worth, Texas. Ms Morris also worked as a Contracting Officer for Southwestern Power Administration (SWPA) and as Deputy and Acting Chief of the Contracting Division for the US Army Corps of Engineers.

Ms Morris has worked in concert with the Small Business Administration on many levels – as a Contracting Officer, President and National Director of the Green Country National Contract Management Association and recently became the Deputy, Office of Small Business Programs for the US Army Corps of Engineers. Her 30 plus years of experience as an acquisition professional have provided her the insight to incorporate the differing

Small Business program areas into successful acquisition plans. Ms. Morris has been a guest presenter for the SAME Small Business Summit in conjunction with the Little Rock District, USACE, and is often a panelist or presenter at various small business functions in the state of Oklahoma.

Ms. Morris is a strong supporter of National Contract Management Association, she believes a successful acquisition plan leads to a win-win for small businesses and the goals and successful contracts awarded for the Corps and any Federal agency.

**Presentation Overview:** *Small Business Programs.* Please check our website for details closer to the meeting date.

**Location and Time:** *Rose State College Student Center, Raider Room.* Check-in Time will be 11:30 with lunch starting at noon and program shortly thereafter.

### DECEMBER ANNUAL BUSINESS MTG/HOLIDAY PARTY

DECEMBER 2, 2010

Join us the first Friday in December for our Annual Business Meeting and Holiday Party. Once again, our Holiday Party will include fun Casino games with chances to win great prizes! So please come and help us celebrate another great year for our OKC Post. Admission is free.

**Location and Time:** *Bricktown Brewery, 1 N Oklahoma Ave., OKC.* Annual Business

Meeting will begin at 6:00 pm. Holiday Party and Casino will begin at 7:00 pm.



**POST NEWS**

**SAME OKC POST 2010 SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED  
TO OU AND OSU ENGINEERING STUDENTS**

The University of Oklahoma and Oklahoma State University recently selected their engineering student recipients for the SAME OKC Post's 2010 scholarship awards. Scholarships were awarded to OSU students Steven Robb and Rich-

mond Slocomb at a Scholarship dinner, held at OSU in Stillwater, and to OU students Farhana Enam and Seth Roswurm at the OKC Post's September luncheon, held at the National Weather Center in Norman.



OSU student Steven Robb receiving SAME OKC Post scholarship award from Eric S. Strong of Benham on behalf of the OKC Post.



OSU student Richmond Slocomb receiving SAME OKC Post scholarship award from Eric S. Strong of Benham on behalf of the OKC Post.



OU student Farhana Enam receiving SAME OKC Post scholarship award from OKC Post President Jeff Kindschuh and OU Student Post President Ashley Rodd.



OU student Seth Roswurm receiving SAME OKC Post scholarship award from OKC Post President Jeff Kindschuh and OU Student Post President Ashley Rodd.

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### SAME YOUNG MEMBERS' 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL NIGHT AT THE BRICK

The Young Members would like to thank all of those who attended the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Night at the Brick. It was a picture-perfect night to be at the ballpark and was capped off with a Redhawks' victory. Special thanks go out to the ASSET Group for their support in sponsoring the event.

### JENNIFER FOGG JOINS RANKS OF SAME FELLOWS

Please join us in congratulating Jennifer Fogg of the ASSET Group, who recently received one of the most prestigious honors bestowed by The Academy of Fellows of the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME). On October 14th, Jennifer was notified that her nomination to The Academy of Fellows was accepted. Since 1972,



SAME has bestowed the designation of Fellow on those SAME members who have rendered dedicated and outstanding service to SAME and to military engineering. To date, there are only approximately 750 inductees.

Jennifer joins the membership of many of the highest ranking Officers in our military. She will be inducted in a special ceremony this Spring in Washington, D.C.



### OKC POST MEMBERS "LINKEDIN" WITH SAME NATIONAL

Several Oklahoma City Post members have already joined the SAME "LinkedIn" group in order to "link in" to items of interest to the entire SAME membership worldwide, including job posting information. Yes, LinkedIn joins the many means of networking available to us in this digital/electronic era, but is specifically geared to the business community!

All Oklahoma City Post SAME members are welcome to "link in" also!

To sign up, you can go to [www.linkedin.com](http://www.linkedin.com), or a quicker way is to click or type in the following longer hyperlink directly to the SAME group and then either log in directly or follow the link to sign up first if you have never done that before on LinkedIn:

<http://www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=2633>.

We're always looking for articles from OKC Post members to include in future issues of the Post newsletter and in the *TME—The Military Engineer* bimonthly magazine. If you're interested in submitting an article, please contact Michael Moe ([moem@saic.com](mailto:moem@saic.com)).

## REGIONAL AND NATIONAL NEWS

### Registration is Now Open for the SAME Small Business Conference

December 6-8, 2010  
Grapevine, TX



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The SAME Small Business Conference for DOD Engineering, Construction and Environmental Programs provides business leaders an opportunity to identify key contracting partners, learn of upcoming projects and opportunities, and generate new business. Join in education sessions and panel discussions that address the ins-and-outs of business practices with the uniformed services and DOD agencies, as well as how to navigate the maze of federal contracting.

Register Today at [www.same.org/SBCConference](http://www.same.org/SBCConference). Sponsorship and Exhibit opportunities still exist; register now.

### Register Today for The Infrastructure Security Partnership Annual Infrastructure and Regional Resilience 2010 Conference

December 7-9, 2010  
Grapevine, TX



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With an information-packed agenda of workshops, training courses and networking events the TISP 2010 Annual Infrastructure and Regional Resilience Conference is a must-attend event for professionals interested in strengthening regional infrastructure resilience and security. Federal Government Program Updates and Future Business Opportunities, Current State and Regional Programs Building Community and Infrastructure Resilience and the Latest Emergency Operations and Management Solutions are just a few of the topics that will be addressed. [Register for the TISP AIRR Today.](#)

## REGIONAL AND NATIONAL NEWS (continued)

### Transition Workshop & Job Fair

Las Vegas, NV

January 11-12, 2011

### JOB HUNTING?

Visit the [SAME Job Center](#) and find the right opportunity!

## MEMBER CLASSIFIEDS

Do you have job openings, contract awards, publication notices, or other news you'd like to share with the Post? Send such items to Michael Moe ([moem@saic.com](mailto:moem@saic.com)), and we'll post them in our "Member Classifieds." Items should be sent by the end of the month for posting on the website in the following month or by the end of December for inclusion in the newsletter for the first quarter (January–March) 2011.

## PAST POST ACTIVITIES: JULY–SEPTEMBER 2010

### JULY LUNCHEON

JULY 22, 2010



*Mr. Darrel Anderson*, TAC Program Manager, 76 MSXG/TAC, spoke on the topic of *"Tinker Aerospace Complex Overview and Future Plans."* Mr. Anderson's presentation provided an overview of the new Tinker Aerospace Complex providing facility history, challenges, and current use and future plans for the facility.

A copy of Mr. Anderson's presentation can be downloaded from the Post website.

## PAST POST ACTIVITIES: JULY–SEPTEMBER 2010 (cont.)

### AUGUST LUNCHEON

AUGUST 26, 2010



Mr. Jeff Riegle, LEED AP, Energy Program manager for AMEC Earth and Environmental, spoke on the topic of **“Decentralization/Centralization as an Energy Management Practice.”** Mr. Ward’s presentation discussed lessons learned and pitfalls in the use of Decentralization of old steam heating plants and Centralization of cooling systems including thermal storage for large scale energy conservation. OKC Post-sponsored student **Kolten Mount** also spoke about his experiences at the Air Force construction camp.

A copy of Mr. Riegle’s presentation can be downloaded from the Post website.

### SEPTEMBER LUNCHEON

SEPTEMBER 23, 2010



The September meeting was held at the National Weather Center on the campus of The University of Oklahoma. **Dr. David A. Sabatini, PhD, PE** and **Laura R. Brunson, PhD candidate**, with the School of Civil Engineering and Environmental Science, WaTER (Water Technologies for Emerging Regions) Center at The University of Oklahoma, spoke on the topic of **“The OU WaTER Center: Working for Health/Education/Development/Peace,”** providing an overview of the WaTER Center and its activities. OU students Farhana Enam and Seth Roswurm were also presented with their SAME OKC Post scholarships (see p. 7). After the luncheon, Post members toured the National Weather Center.

A copy of Dr. Sabatini’s and Ms. Brunson’s presentation can be downloaded from the Post website.

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