

## The President's Message



### Take Vigilant Positions

As we start the New Year, it would be useful to re-evaluate our security of personal identifiable information (PII), as well as user IDs, passwords, and other financial account information. It never ceases to amaze me the number of phishings, scams and shams I receive via email. There are those out there who seek to prey upon the naiveté of unsuspecting individuals to gather in account information that may have damaging effects. By the same token, operational security at our work places is paramount. The cyber security aspect of this is a shared responsibility for us all. We must be vigilant in protecting our personal and work place information.

To borrow someone else's words . . . *"If you see something, say something."*

Thx  
Barry



**Don't miss the next TVP Post meeting: Tuesday February 13th at Calhoun's in Oak Ridge.**

**Our program will feature Students from Powell High School presenting their work in Robotics!**

**Be sure to RSVP no later than 11:00 am February 9, 2018 to Diane Moore at [Diane.Moore@jacobs.com](mailto:Diane.Moore@jacobs.com) or call 220-4869.**

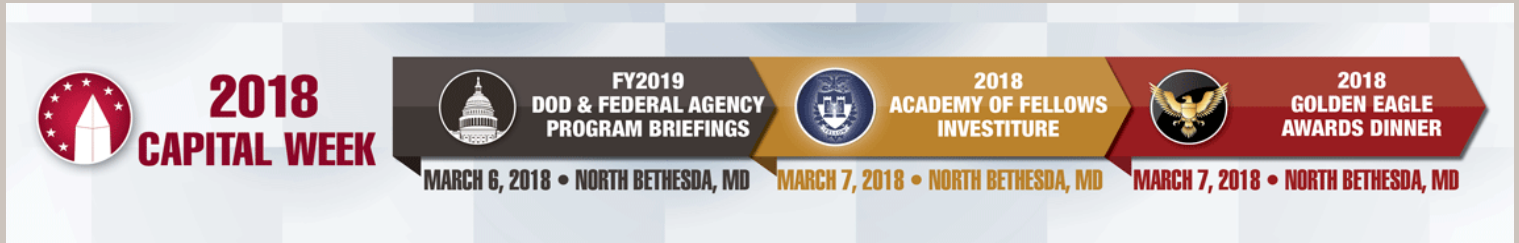
We'd like to take one more opportunity to thank all of the volunteers and donations for making the Drive for the troops another **GREAT success!**

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## Budget for FY2019 with Insights from DOD and Federal Agency Program Briefings



### [2018 SAME Capital Week, March 6 & 7](#)

Bethesda North Marriot Hotel & Conference Center, North Bethesda, MD

Which agencies and programs are expected to be adding projects and what will those projects entail? Learn about projected engineering, construction, and environmental programs. Get the latest information from the contracting representatives, flag and general officers, and senior executive service leaders.

Join us for a full day of expert briefings from:

- Army & Air Force Exchange Service and Army Installation Management Command Programs
- USACE Civil Works Program
- Department of Veterans Affairs & Defense Health Agency Programs
- Air Force Design & Construction Programs
- Army, Navy & Air Force Environmental Programs
- Navy Design & Construction Programs
- Department of Energy & Department of State Programs
- Army Design & Construction Programs

USACE Research and Support Centers

On Wednesday, Capital Week continues with

- Academy of Fellows Luncheon
- Academy of Fellows Investiture Ceremony
- Golden Eagle Awards Dinner

A limited number of sponsorship opportunities are still available. For more information, contact [Kelly Dawson](#) at [kdawson@same.org](mailto:kdawson@same.org) or 703-549-3800 ext. 111.

## Logistics

Date: Tuesday, January 9, 2018

Time: 11:30 am – 1:00pm EDT

Location: Calhoun's, 100 Melton Lake Peninsula in Oak Ridge, TN

Attendees: See attached list



## Meeting

Barry Totten opened and officiated the meeting with 19 people attending. He presented a safety topic (take caution when driving, or walking on ice - use handrails). The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Invocation was given by Barry Totten. Barry acknowledged veterans present (thank you!), first time visitors (Marc Norris, Brad Walker, Jay Pierce, Dave Wacker, Del Baird, and Adam Smith) and visitors from other posts.

## Administrative Issues

Certificates presented to Leanne Morrow and Sam Mayes.

Last month, Bob Keyser commented that we have the “best newsletter in the Region”. Barry asked for ideas for the newsletter. Joe Aylor and Leanne Morrow are working on the newsletter now. Let them know of other ideas or entries for the newsletter, like new employees, new members, webinars, networking opportunities, community events, or perhaps a spotlight on a members’ involvement in an important task.

Barry spoke about cyber security. One of his accounts was compromised. We will now send our large e-mailings using BCC so no one will see who mail is sent to.

On this day in history 1945: General MacArthur and allied troops returned to the Philippines.

On this day in history 1965: Landing of US combat troops in South Vietnam

Bill Sawrey spoke about the 2017 Drive for the Troops. TVP sent 53 boxes and all were received.

2018 Small Business Conference will be held October 31 – November 2 in New Orleans.

JETC will be held May 23 – 25 in Kansas City, MO (More focused on training and PDHs are given at JETC).

In 2020, SAME’s 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary meeting will be held in Washington DC.

## Guest Speakers

Greg Galaher, Alliant; Sam Mayes, Management Solutions; and Dave Bogaty, Ingenium



These gentlemen talked about the SAME Small Business Conference (SBC) that was held in Pittsburgh, PA in November 2017.

Greg spoke about Alliant being headquartered here and mostly work with DoD, DOE, TVA and USACE. With SAME, their primary focus is environmental, safety & health and project management. Greg had done a presentation on Waste Management at SAME. Alliant is affiliated with the Kentuckiana Post. Greg mentioned the networking tables, education sessions and business opportunity briefings that give valuable information for growing and developing your company.

Sam Mayes spoke about Management Solutions. It is a Woman Owned 8a company working with project management and project controls. They work with USACE, DOE, and ORNL. Their background work was in funding for support systems and construction support services. Sam talked about Sessions at the SBC discussing lessons learned and experience in a growing business.

Dave Bogaty spoke about Ingenium and their work with USACE, Army (Huntsville) and DOE (Oak Ridge and New Mexico). The SBC is a venue to meeting with teaming partners and get information on companies at booths and in conferences. The SBC concentrates more on federal business now. There were a record number of attendees in 2017. Dave told of a woman who had a one person company doing proposal work.

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General discussion spoke about networking, how clients are at SBCs, updates on businesses are given, new regulations are discussed, the sessions touch on different disciplines, and whether certain avenues in business are succeeding or failing. At any SBC, whether you have a booth or not, you get name recognition, meeting people, discussing work, etc. While this is a small business conference, large company representatives should attend to network and get their names out there.

Barry Totten spoke about our 2020 SAME 100<sup>th</sup> Year anniversary in Washington DC. TVP continues to grow as a stand-alone Post that enhances position in community, builds individual and corporate membership, contributes to personal and professional development of its members, partners with similar professional organizations and institutions of higher learning, extends engineering outreach through STEM, and supports SAME National. Some comments made by SAME National President Sal Nodjomian are: "Go Big or Go Home", find your passion and have fun.

In TVP's annual assessment, we have items that showed progress, but areas we can improve in.

## At a glance this month - Informational Websites:

- ◆ For the January issue of the Oak Ridge Site Specific Advisory Board's Advocate newsletter. It can also be accessed online at: <https://energy.gov/sites/prod/files/2018/01/f46/WEB%20-%20Jan%202018%20advocate%20recovered.pdf>
- ◆ Serving America's Military Families: See <http://www.operationhomefront.org/>
- ◆ Check out SAME's upcoming continuing education courses and webinars: <http://www.same.org/Career-Development-Center>
- ◆ Real Time 2017 Issues: <http://www.same.org/realttime>
- ◆ Check out an online copy of The Military Engineer: <http://www.themilitaryengineer.com/>
- ◆ See the Joint Engineer Training Conference at: <http://www.samejetc.org/>
- ◆ Presentations from past National Events such as the Small Business Conference Nashville: <http://www.same.org/calendar/ModuleID/6303/ItemID/2282/mct/EventDetails>
- ◆ SAME Event Prospectus: [http://www.same.org/Portals/0/SAME-prospectus\\_2018.pdf?ver=2018-01-05-090332-473](http://www.same.org/Portals/0/SAME-prospectus_2018.pdf?ver=2018-01-05-090332-473)
- ◆ SAME Continuing Education Opportunities: <https://same.redvector.com/Default.aspx>



# VOLUNTEER

## Opportunities

### Volunteer for Introduce a Girl to Engineering (IGTE)

Do you remember who first inspired you to become an engineer? To celebrate National Engineers Week, on February 22, CNS will host "Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day," at New Hope Center (NHC) from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Help provide opportunities for students to interact with women and men working in the engineering and STEM fields and experience hands on activities and be that spark that ignites students' interests.

#### Program

9 a.m. - 11 a.m.: Booths/STEM Challenge/Panel Q&A session

11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.: Welcome/Keynote Speaker

11:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.: Booths/STEM Challenge/Panel Q&A session



Booth and general volunteers are needed, as well as all types of engineering professionals

If you are interested in volunteering, contact **IGTE** with your name and volunteering interest. And for more information, contact **Kristin Waldschlager** ([Kristin.Waldschlager@cns.doe.gov](mailto:Kristin.Waldschlager@cns.doe.gov)) in CNS Education Outreach (865.574.8934).

### Engineers Week needs volunteers

National Engineers Week is coming up on Feb. 18 through Feb. 24, and volunteers are needed to visit local middle and high schools to encourage students to pursue engineering and STEM careers.

Volunteers will lead an activity with students to teach them about engineering and why STEM fields are important to our future. Volunteers will be equipped with an activity and information for the students.

If you are interested in performing a school visit, please contact at CNS **Ahmad Alsharif** ([ahmad.alsharif@cns.doe.gov](mailto:ahmad.alsharif@cns.doe.gov), 865.576.1798) or **Anita Hazlewood** ([anita.hazlewood@cns.doe.gov](mailto:anita.hazlewood@cns.doe.gov), 865.241.3868).

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### Tennessee Science Bowl volunteers needed

Volunteers are needed to work during the [2018 Tennessee Science Bowl](#) activities scheduled Friday, Feb. 23 and Saturday, Feb. 24 in Blount County. Team registration and a kickoff dinner will be held that Friday night at the Hilton Knoxville Airport. Competition will take place Saturday at the Blount County Campus of Pellissippi State Community College in Friendsville

**More than 200 volunteers are needed to serve as moderators, science judges, rules judges, scorekeepers, timekeepers, runners, civility award judges and to help with registration and crowd control.**

Volunteering for the Tennessee Science Bowl is an opportunity to support STEM education, give back to the community and have fun while volunteering.

More information about volunteer opportunities is available @ <http://www.orau.gov/sciencebowl/volunteers/index.html>

### Other upcoming events of note:

#### Nuclear Deterrence Summit

February 20-22, 2018

The Ritz-Carlton, Pentagon City, Washington, DC, USA

The Nuclear Deterrence Summit, organized by the Access Intelligence, LLC. will take place from 20th February to 22nd February 2018 at The Ritz-Carlton, Pentagon City in Arlington, United States Of America. The conference will cover areas like discuss management of the nuclear complex, the security of the stockpile, arms control negotiations, and strategic policy.

<http://www.deterrencesummit.com/>



Be sure to check out our updated website at

<http://www.same.org/Tennessee-Valley>

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## TVP Post Member Philanthropic Event Highlights

On January 27, our own Joe Aylor, supported the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Eskimo Escapades Foundation event, of which he is a board member. The event took place at Volunteer Landing. Several hundred participants, volunteers, and patrons attended.



Eskimo Escapades Foundation, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) not for profit that conducts a winter water ski charity event in downtown Knoxville every January. Each year participants have to raise of minimum amount (which can vary) to water ski/tube/ride/foot or even ride a stool on a disc around a 1/2 mile lap on Ft. Loudon Lake at Volunteer Landing in a brand new tournament ski boat.

Proceeds from the event go to three East Tennessee charities:

### THE DREAM CONNECTION

A non-profit organization dedicated to fulfilling the special dreams of children ages 3-18 who are faced with life threatening or chronically debilitating illnesses in the East Tennessee area. A "dream come true" to a child can give back, in some small way, that which disease and illness have taken away.

### PATRICIA NEAL IRC

Innovation is new and creative ways in which individuals with a disability are able to participate. Recreation is the medium that is used to enhance education and awareness of the participants. Cooperative is the group of individuals who support, nurture, and mentor using their expertise and talents to make the clinic a success.

### ADVENTURE AMPUTEE CAMP

The mission of the Adventure Amputee Camp is to encourage children with amputations or limb differences to stretch their potential and imagination, and explore all that is possible. Depending on the season, camp activities may include river rafting, high ropes, water skiing or snow skiing and snow boarding.



To Date, the event has raised over \$430,000. This year alone we raised over \$19,000 for the charities.

Nice work, Joe!

# NEWSLETTER OPTIONS

Please submit your ideas!

1. E-course, webinars, or training
2. Wellness tips
3. Success stories or customer spotlights
4. Testimonials
5. Employee spotlight or profile
6. Industry news
7. Organization news
8. Feature stories
9. Editorials
10. Educational articles
11. "Classic" reprints
12. Special offers or coupons
13. Q&A
14. Recurring columns
15. Surveys, polls, and feedback
16. Statistics and/or infographics
17. Interviews
18. Product reviews
19. New product/service announcements
20. Events calendar
21. Case studies and/or white papers
22. Giveaway and contest announcements
23. Photos
24. How-to Articles
25. Top Ten lists
26. Photos contests (pets, work related, amazing, interesting, etc.)

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