



# Society of American Military Engineers

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Dear Society Partner,

In 2020, the Society of American Military Engineers (SAME) celebrates its Centennial. As we look ahead to our second century of service, we have focused our efforts around a simple, but important mission: to lead collaboration within our profession. We invite you to join our local SAME Posts as they celebrate our Centennial and the impacts the Post, local agencies, strategic partners have made in your communities.

Over the next couple of years, our more than 100 SAME Posts worldwide will use this Centennial to celebrate the relevance of our Posts and their local relationships. They are looking to join with partners in their area to recognize the collective contributions of the engineering community to our nation, and our profession. In fact, SAME is focusing our 100th Anniversary not as the capstone of our past, but as the first step of our future—and it is a step we want to take alongside others.

Our Society was founded in 1920, in the aftermath of World War I, “to promote solidarity and co-operation between engineers in civil and military life, to disseminate technical knowledge bearing upon progress in the art of war and the application of engineering science thereto, and to preserve and maintain the best standards and traditions of the profession, all in the interests of patriotism and national security.”

While SAME has grown and evolved over the last 100 years, we have not wavered from that enduring purpose. Today, our 28,000 members live around the world, and represent every technical discipline within the greater architecture/engineering/construction community. Collaboration, at its core, is about bringing people and organizations together in order to develop connections, build trust and forge relationships that serve to empower the entire architecture/engineering/construction community—military, public, private, and academia—to make a lasting difference.

We encourage our Posts to develop partnerships with organizations and agencies in their local areas. Since our founding, Posts have been the foundation of SAME. They are assets in their communities: inspiring youth toward STEM, mentoring young professionals, and supporting veterans, while promoting resilience and helping identify and resolve infrastructure challenges where solutions will have the most direct benefit. Through collaboration, we can all provide even greater impact.

We hope you will join our Posts for their Centennial Celebrations to help honor the tremendous impact that engineering professionals have had, and most importantly, will continue to have throughout the 21st Century and beyond. We look forward to learning more about the great new partnerships SAME Posts establish and strengthening others we have had for many years. Together, we can do more!

Respectfully,

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Chair, SAME Centennial Commission