**President's Letter**

Colonel Richard A. Pratt  
President, Tulsa Post

Tulsa Post Members,

Happy New Year! I’d like to start by saying a very sincere “Thank You” to the Tulsa Post for allowing me to serve as the Post President in 2015. It has been a distinct honor and privilege to work alongside an extremely talented and dedicated group of Board Members who continue to selflessly serve our community. Highlights in 2015 include the successful Industry Day at Tulsa Tech, visiting with the 120th Engineer Battalion, several informational briefings at the monthly Post meetings and a visit to the Webbers Falls Hydropower Plant. Of course we finished the year with another great Holiday Social, thanks again for Sarah Kellert for coordinating the effort!

I’d also like to congratulate Lars Ostervold for his selection as the Post President for 2016. Lars’ work as a Project Manager with CH2M coupled with his Battalion Commander duties in the 120th Engineer Battalion, Oklahoma National Guard mark him as the perfect selection to lead the Post.

I look forward to continuing as an active member of the Tulsa Post and seeing everyone at our upcoming events. Essayons!

Colonel Richard A. Pratt  
SAME Tulsa Post President

The SAME Tulsa Post has a new web address:  
http://www.sametulsa.org
2016 Meet the Corps Day
Registration Now Open!

Make your plans now to join us for Meet the Corps Day on
**Wednesday, February 10, 2016!** The event will be held at Tulsa Technology Owasso Campus.

Visit www.sametulsa.org for more information and to register!

** After registration, Small Business Firms are asked to provide additional information about their firm at http://goo.gl/forms/OE0ysuLNPQ.

This will be a one-day event to learn about upcoming opportunities with Tulsa USACE, with time for large and small business networking!

Tentative Schedule:

0830 Doors Open/Reg/Breakfast
0900 Early-Bird Breakout (Subcontracting/SB CPARS)
1000 Welcome & General Session
1100 District Overview and Briefings
1200 Break/Lunch Available
1230 Breakout Sessions (Military/Civil and RPEC)
1330 Face-to-Face Gov/LG Business
1530-1730 Networking Social @ Los Cabos Mexican Restaurant.

**Sponsorship opportunities are available!**
Visit www.sametulsa.org for benefits. Requested information from sponsors must be received by 2/1/16 for inclusion in the program.
- Gold $1,000
- Silver $500
- Bronze $250

We are also seeking gift card donations (up to $50 in value) to be used as door prizes. Feel free to wrap these in your firm’s promotional items!
The Tulsa Post Holiday Social was held at My Studio on December 11th, and a good time was had by all! Revelers enjoyed delicious hours d’oeuvres prepared by The Cheesecake Lady, the opportunity to contribute to the scholarship fund, and Live Event Trivia. We also celebrated John Roberts’ years of service to SAME and the engineering community, and the 2015 Tulsa Post award winners.

Thanks to all who attended this year’s event! With the silent auction, we raised $820 for the scholarship fund!

Congratulations to the 2015 Tulsa Post Award Winners!

Amanda John — Outstanding Young Member
Heather Goodson — Outstanding Member
Mead & Hunt, Inc.— Outstanding Sustaining Member Firm
Marlow Contracting — Outstanding Small Member Firm
**Mark Your Calendars - Save these Dates**

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**Lapsed SAME Membership?**

Be a leader! Make a difference!

**No SAME Membership?**

We want you!

Join SAME:
http://www.same.org/index.php/membership/join-same
November 17, 2015  Program Meeting

For our November program meeting, Bill Smiley with the USACE Tulsa District’s Office of Emergency Management focused on the changes to the USACE Flood Risk Management Program and Resiliency based on the 2015 flood events.

Thank you to November’s sponsor!

We also had an update from Amanda John and Heather Goodson about the September Post Leaders’ Workshop they attended in Alexandria, VA. The theme of the workshop was “Just Say Yes!” and attendees from all over the United States and other countries learned strategies to recruit and retain volunteers. Amanda and Heather shared a number of those strategies with Post members during the Program Meeting. See the Fall/November 2015 Post Newsletter for more information from the Workshop.
November Program Sponsor Spotlight

Ad Astra Collaborative, LLC (Ad Astra) is a joint venture formed by three firms whose leaders have been working together for more than 30 years. Affinis, Vireo, and Water Resources Solutions each provide different aspects of civil engineering and environmental design solutions. By combining forces, we’re now able to bring a comprehensive set of skills and experience to our clients.

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Tulsa Post sponsors Engineers’ Night Out

On Tuesday, November 17th, the SAME Tulsa Post sponsored the Engineers’ Night Out at Baker’s Street Pub in South Tulsa. It was a fun evening of networking with colleagues and friends within the northeast Oklahoma A/E/C fields!
Tulsa Post Foundation
Credentialing Program

The Foundation Credentialing Program is modeled after National's Credentialing Program.

The purpose of the Foundation Credentialing Program is to promote the professional development of SAME Members in support of the SAME Strategic Plan. The establishment of the Credentialing Program serves to fulfill the third objective of the Education and Mentoring Fund Charter which is "to provide financial support to professional development, education and mentoring initiatives that will benefit SAME members ... "

Additionally, the Foundation’s establishment of a Credentialing Program will facilitate the Tulsa Post meeting a required criterion for the Education and Training Streamer:
   2. (Required) Assist Members in obtaining professional licensure and certifications

Program Management
- The Foundation Board will establish a final budget for awards to make in 2016.
- The next application due date will be announced in Spring 2016, with the announcement and presentation of the winner(s) at a Tulsa Post Meeting later this year.
- The Foundation will evaluate the information in the application and approve reimbursements that meet the eligibility requirements and for which funds are available. If there are more applications than funds available, the Foundation will rank the applications based on merit using the information in the applications.
- The Foundation will select those which can be funded within the available budget.
- The qualifying dates for when Applicants must have taken and passed a credentialing exam will be announced when the application due date is announced.

While the mission of SAME Tulsa’s and National's Credentialing Program is the same, the application requirements and due dates are different. Please stay tuned for details on the Tulsa Post Credentialing application. The Tulsa Post program is open to young members and non-young members.

The next round of applications will be accepted later this spring.
Watch for more information in a Post Announcements email.
Upcoming SAME National Winter Webinars

January 21
Webinar - *Sustainability Issues & Re-Engineering the Panama Canal*
1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. EST
1.5 PDHs

January 26
Nour Webinar Series—COMPLIMENTARY INTRODUCTORY WEBINAR - *Overview Session: Relationship Economics and the #NewNorm*
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. EST
1 PDH

January 28
Webinar - *Communication Skills for Technical Professionals*
1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. EST
1.5 PDHs

February 16
Nour Webinar Series - Session One: *The Relationship Currency Roadmap*
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. EST
1 PDH

February 16
Webinar - 25 *Website Must-Haves for Driving Traffic*
1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. EST
1.5 PDHs

Visit www.same.org for more information and registration!
News From Around the Region

**Wichita Mountains Post**
Southwest Oklahoma and North Texas, Texas

*Wichita Mountains Post*

Program meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month.

Visit the Post’s website at [http://secure.sameposts.org/franchises/wichita-mountains](http://secure.sameposts.org/franchises/wichita-mountains) for more information about each program meeting, including time and location.

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**Oklahoma City Post**

Luncheon meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of each month at the Rose State College Center, 6420 SE 15th, Midwest City, OK. Check-in is at 11:30, with Lunch starting at Noon. Visit the Post’s website at [www.sameokc.org](http://www.sameokc.org) for more information about each meeting.
Professional Development

PE RESOURCES

- Oklahoma State University Continuing Education—CEAT Professional Development: http://outreach.okstate.edu/

- University of Tulsa Continuing Engineering and Science Education http://www.cese.utulsa.edu/

- University of Oklahoma Continuing Education - Engineering and Geosciences
  http://www.engr.outreach.ou.edu/


- Tulsa Chapter of OSPE http://www.ospe.org/displaycommon.cfm?an=1&subarticlenbr=34

- Oklahoma State Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers & Land Surveyors
  http://www.ok.gov/pels/
  ♦ Renewal: https://www.ok.gov/pels/renewal/index.php
  ♦ Continuing education: https://www.ok.gov/pels/Continuing_Education/index.html
  ♦ Applications and forms: https://www.ok.gov/pels/Applications&_Forms/index.html

OTHER

- Oklahoma Floodplain Managers Association (OFMA): http://okflood.org/home/certification.html


- Association of State Floodplain Managers (ASFPM) for Certified Floodplain Managers (CFM): http://www.floods.org/index.asp?menuid=426


Need PDH Certificates for Tulsa Post Program Meetings?

The PDH certificates can be downloaded from the Post’s website, Documents Archives page (bottom right corner) at http://www.sametulsa.org/archives.html.
SAME is Part of the Social Media

Follow SAME on the following social media sites:

- SAME—Tulsa Post Facebook Page: Go “like” us!!
  http://www.facebook.com/pages/SAME-Tulsa-Post/128934930938
- SAME National on Twitter at  http://twitter.com/same_tme
- SAME National’s weekly digest blog “Bricks and Clicks” at www.same.org/blog

Tulsa Post has a new website!
www.sametulsa.org
Update your bookmarks today!
### Sustaining Member Firms

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