President’s Message:
Tennessee Valley Post

This month is a great milestone in the evolution of our Post---

1st anniversary!

This has truly been a journey—from the conceptual idea to start up, forming a Field Chapter, to standing up the TVP last year. Our success to date would not have been possible without nurturing from many people in the Nashville Post, as well as our Regional Vice President (Bob Sidoti), and the various staff members from SAME National. This broad base of support and assistance has enabled the Leaders of our Post to chart a course for continued success.

The recent announcement from National that awarded TVP two streamers (Membership and Relationships) for 2016 is indicative of the Post’s efforts and inertia for future achievements.

Thank you all for your continued support and I greatly appreciate the work by our Leadership Team!

Press On--Determination & Persistence Win!

Barry
Recent Highlights

Robbins visits Powell High
During February, Y-12’s Barry Totten, Nashville District’s Mike Lee and NPO Deputy Manager Teresa Robbins spoke at Knoxville’s Powell High School. Robbins, a Powell High School graduate, detailed her background that eventually led her into a role in senior executive service. She answered questions from the students who are embarking on the new STEM initiative at Powell High School.

Totten said, “This event kicked off a new student organization at Powell. The Tennessee Valley Post (based in Oak Ridge) of the Society of American Military Engineers developed an overall concept for the new organization at the request of the school principal and some interested parents.”

Pictured here: Theresa Robbins with Mike Lee

Upcoming Events

Golf Tournament Scramble benefitting the soon to be established scholarship fund. To be held at the Oak Ridge Golf and Country Club. Dates and details to follow!

Volunteers Needed! Contact Mike Lee for details.
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When: Tuesday April 11th 11:30 – 1:00pm

Where: Calhoun's’ on the River in Oak Ridge

Event Details: Our Guest Speaker will be:
Robbie Meyer – Manhattan Project Park

Bring your Ukulele and help celebrate our first year in style!

Break out your best Hawaiian Shirt!!
**Around the Region:**

**APRIL 10-11, 2017 Atlanta, GA**

The Atlanta Post of SAME is proud to announce our second *Southeast Federal Agency Symposium* and we plan to have a full day of programming featuring federal agencies located in the southeastern United States that procure the services of Architect, Engineering, and Construction (AEC) firms!

The goal is to make attendees aware of remainder of FY17 and FY18 upcoming projects that AEC firms can pursue, including:

- Objectives of the agency
- Small business goals of each agency
- Contract mechanism they use to procure services
- Upcoming A/E/C project opportunities

**Who should attend:** Anyone who is interested in learning about upcoming contracting opportunities with a variety of federal agencies, and those firms wanting to network with others who are already working with these governmental agencies.

**Event Agenda:**

**Monday, April 10th at Top Golf – Alpharetta location**
3:00 – 5:00pm – TopGolf (2 hours of unlimited play)
5:00 – 7:00pm – Networking Social/Reception

**Tuesday, April 11th at Dunwoody Country Club**
7:30am – Registration/Networking/Breakfast Buffet
8:30am – 3:15pm Agency Presentations/Networking

For registration or more information, go to their website at: [http://sameatlantapost.org/events/](http://sameatlantapost.org/events/)

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**What to look for next month...**

- **Member Spotlight!**
- **More details on the upcoming Golf Scramble**
- **Next Meeting Details**
- **Volunteer Opportunities**

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Photo: TVP officers sworn in by Joe Schrodel, SAME Executive Director, April 2016

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