Ken Hyatt Distinguished Alumni Leadership Speaker Series
Georgia Tech School of Civil and Environmental Engineering

Why a lecture series with our alumni? “There’s a lot of value in exposing the students in the School of Civil and Environmental Engineering to people who have made a contribution to society and have done well in their field,” Hyatt told us.

He’s a 1962 CEE graduate who also has a master’s in industrial management (1966) from Georgia Tech. Hyatt spent much of his career helping lead Jim Walter Corp. and later Walter Industries, the country’s largest homebuilder at the time and a diversified holding company with 29,000 employees.

“Our whole [philanthropic] thrust at Jim Walter Corp. and Walter Industries was education and youth. That’s where we put our money,” Hyatt said. Those areas continue to be where Hyatt puts his own time and money, working extensively with the Boy Scouts of America, the Salvation Army and the University of Tampa in addition to his previous service as a trustee of the Georgia Tech Alumni Association. Hyatt began his business career at The Georgia Marble Company in 1966 after serving as an officer in the U.S. Navy for three years after graduation. He’s currently president of Kenneth Hyatt & Associates, a private management, consulting and investment firm based in Tampa.

The School also thanks MBP for their generous sponsorship of the Hyatt Distinguished Speaker Dinner. MBP is a multi-disciplined construction consulting firm that provides a broad range of professional services designed to assist in managing construction projects or programs from initial budget, through design and construction, to successful project closeout. mbpce.com/firm.html

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A Perspective on Leadership in the 21st Century

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General Breedlove assumed his current duties in May 2013. Raised in Forest Park, Ga., General Breedlove was commissioned in 1977 as a distinguished graduate of Georgia Tech’s ROTC program. He has been assigned to numerous operational, command and staff positions, and has completed nine overseas tours. He has commanded a fighter squadron, an operations group, three fighter wings, and a numbered air force. Additionally, he has served as Vice Chief of Staff of the U.S. Air Force, Washington, D.C.; Operations Officer in the Pacific Command Division on the Joint Staff; Executive Officer to the Commander of Headquarters Air Combat Command; the Senior Military Assistant to the Secretary of the Air Force; and Vice Director for Strategic Plans and Policy on the Joint Staff.

Prior to assuming his current position, General Breedlove served as the Commander, U.S. Air Forces in Europe; Commander, U.S. Air Forces Africa; Commander, Air Component Command, Ramstein; and Director, Joint Air Power Competence Centre, Kalkar, Germany. He was responsible for Air Forces activities, conducted through 3rd Air Force, in an area of operations covering more than 19 million square miles. This area included 105 countries in Europe, Africa, Asia and the Middle East, and the Arctic and Atlantic oceans. As Vice Chief of Staff, he presided over the Air Staff and served as a member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Requirements Oversight Council and Deputy Advisory Working Group. He assisted the Chief of Staff with organizing, training, and equipping of 680,000 active-duty, Guard, Reserve and civilian forces serving in the United States and overseas.

General Breedlove has flown combat missions in Operation Joint Forge supporting the peacekeeping operation in Bosnia and Operation Joint Guardian to implement the peace settlement in Kosovo. He is a command pilot with more than 3,500 flying hours, primarily in the F-16. He was promoted to the rank of general in January 2011 and is the recipient of the Distinguished Service Medal.