## ACEC Northwest Ohio Chapter Leadership Profile

Name: Evan Baker

Chapter: Northwest Ohio

**Leadership Role**: Treasurer/Secretary

Company: SSOE Group

Evan has worked at SSOE Group since 2005 serving multiple different roles. His current role is as the Department Manager of two separate groups. His first role is managing the Electrical Department that leads Healthcare, Commercial, and Education facility design. His second role is the Data/Fire/Security Department that designs and specifies technology systems (data networks, audio/visual, paging, etc.), fire alarm and mass notification systems, and security systems including access control, video surveillance, and intrusion detection systems.

Evan graduated from Bettsville High School and then The University of Toledo. An interesting fact about his high school is that the year he graduated, his school was the smallest public school in the State of Ohio (excluding the Lake Erie Island schools). There were 23 students in his high school graduating class (including three foreign exchange students). His high school has since closed and was absorbed by the Old Fort School District. Evan ran Men's Cross Country while studying Electrical Engineering at The University of Toledo.

Evan married his wife Stephanie in December of 2007, exactly seven years after their first date in high school. The have three children - Stevie (daughter) born in 2011, Brantley (son) born in 2012, and Beau (son) born in 2014. Evan is honored to be the eighth Baker family member to own the original 40-acre homestead that his ancestors purchased from the Federal Government in 1834.





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His farm is registered with the Ohio Department of Agriculture as a Sesquicentennial farm, meaning that it has been in the same family for greater than 150 years. They look forward to being one of the first homesteads in Seneca County to reach the Bicentennial milestone.

Evan and his children spend time in their woods hiking, riding ATVs, cutting firewood, hunting deer, hunting rabbits, searching for morel mushrooms, collecting wild berries, making maple syrup and caring for their garden.

Evan has just recently gotten involved in ACEC Ohio in November 2018 when he was recommended for the role of Secretary/Treasurer for the Northwest Chapter.

Evan is excited to meet other Engineers from similar companies, build relationships and further his leadership abilities.

"ACEC Ohio supports the initiatives and general education of State legislative changes influencing our business" Evan stated about ACEC Ohio.

Evan enjoys networking and connection to other Engineers at similar firms to SSOE. In doing so it has developed relationships and partnering opportunities to bring greater value to his client's projects.