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Personal Brief History- I am originally from Oakley, KS, born and raised in a town of ~1,500 people. Upon graduating high school in Oakley, I went on to attend Kansas State University and obtained my bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering. I obtained my first full time position with HNTB Corporation. Upon moving to Overland Park, I leased an apartment like most young adults fresh out of school; little did I know that the agent who leased my apartment to me would become my wife. Anna and I have been married since 2012. We have one daughter, Claire Elizabeth. Claire turned one this past June and has been the biggest joy in our lives.

Professional- After graduation from KSU , I have been working with HNTB Corporation in Overland Park as a highway/road designer. I have had the opportunity to work on several large projects throughout the area, including the South Lawrence Trafficway-East, 435/US 69 Projects, US 54 Pratt/Kingman, NYSDOT Route 17/32 Exit 131 Interchange, and many more. I am currently a Project Engineer leading the road design and sequence of construction portions of the South Lawrence Trafficway – West project. I became a Licensed PE in the State of Kansas in May 2014.

Second, a fun fact about you that will be surprising/interesting to your classmates- If I am at the actual emerging leaders program, it means I didn't get eaten by a bear in Alaska. Aside from my family, hunting and being in the outdoors, enjoying God's creation, is a huge part of my life. It is and will forever be a way that my grandpa, dad, and I spend quality time together. This year my father drew a once in a lifetime moose tag in Alaska and at the beginning of September we will embark on a new adventure together to hunt in Alaska. I have purchased a grizzly bear tag and will be tagging along for likely to be the adventure of a lifetime.

Third, your favorite quote. (And the author/source of that quote, if you know it.) "Never make promises that you can't keep" (my father-Kenny Geist)

And finally, finish this sentence: "My job would be a lot easier if.... My computer was tied to my brain and did exactly what I was thinking"