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Lynchburg’s Tim Groover to Receive National Community Service Award

WASHINGTON, D.C.—T.A. (Tim) Groover, president and chief operating officer of Wiley/Wilson in Lynchburg, Va., will be presented a 2013 Community Service Award from the American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) at its upcoming Fall Conference being held October 27-30 in Scottsdale, Az.

The national award recognizes a principal or manager of an ACEC member firm who has made outstanding contributions to the quality of life in his or her community.

Groover has an exemplary record of community service in the Lynchburg region which includes 12 years coaching girls’ soccer, and 14 years as a Summer Swim League judge and referee. He has provided leadership on several community boards including the YMCA of Central Virginia, the Amazement Square Children’s Museum, and the Music All Aware Program—which provides music education and performance opportunities to underprivileged youth.

Groover also is a co-founder of The Angels Foundation which manages the annual “Angels Race Triathlon.” The race allows people to honor an “angel” who has touched their lives. Since 2003, the Triathlon has raised more than $200,000 to benefit youth initiatives locally, and as far away as Uganda.

After losing his oldest daughter, Brittany, to a traffic accident in 2002, Groover pulled together leaders in government, law enforcement, business and education to establish “BEDCO CARES” which provides driver safety training for teen drivers throughout Virginia. He also has become a primary regional media spokesman on addressing the teen driver safety issue.

The American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) is the business association of America’s engineering industry, representing more than 5,000 independent engineering companies throughout the United States engaged in the development of America’s transportation, environmental, industrial, and other infrastructure. Founded in 1909 and headquartered in Washington, D.C., ACEC is a national federation of 51 state and regional organizations.