

1 Without further delay, here is my re-attempt at a log/journal. First tried back in January 2012 when I became a mentor @ USSRC to write about all the people/training that lied ahead. There was so much, I stopped... And a lot happened. Now I am working in the engineering field <redacted> Pretty legit, challenging, and definitely where I belong. Everything feels right about this first stepping stone and I feel like I'm finally with people whose level of professionalism is like my own. It's all good and I'm using much of what I learned leading up to this. <redacted> It feels so weird becoming "grown-up", but still am myself. I'm going to be in Alabama a lot longer than anticipated... However[,] my primary objective when first set out has been accomplished. Get into the aerospace engineering field.

2 <redacted> It is, however, good work that I am proud of and must take seriously. Even that is strange getting used to. This will certainly help with my future career goals. (Can I just say my arms are so tired! Restarted P90X today... Ugh!) Anyway... Been a goal to work for NASA since I was a kid. Even wrote it in a letter to myself from 4th grade! It, I must say after everything, still is. My next objective... Work for NASA[.] Love what I do now, and I may change my mind in time... But as of now, I would love the opportunity to help forward humanity/space exploration with some sweet hardware. Always loved Star Trek (Picard) + Star Wars and the whole idea of visiting new places and such. Would love to do so as much as possible now. But now, time. I'm going to take it slow and enjoy <redacted> and get as much experience/help them continue being awesome as much as I can. And do my job to the best of my ability taking initiative + helping as much as possible. Looking forward to 2013. Been very good so far, and it will continue to be.

3 Feeling quite spent. Like I said earlier, restarted P90X today and am feeling tired/good. Plyometrics tomorrow... Don't be surprised if I do not write due to death. But I'm excited to amp up my fitness level. My ars are going to be killing me soon, haha. Ugh...!

4 Glad to say everything is good at home (AZ). Mom/Dad busy as ever and still the best parents and my role models (to an extent... I need to be myself, too). <redacted> (another person I look up to greatly) doing amazing at <redacted> Leading by example as always. <redacted> keeping busy w/ work at <redacted> with classes coming up and <redacted> will soon join him as they just graduated. Keep them safe! They will impress up, though. Some random drama with relatives, but the usual. Bruiser!! Miss him so much! Nana/Tata also really showed how proud they were of <redacted> and I when we bought everyone dinner @ Oregano's (so good). They really were proud of how her and I are completely on our own <redacted> I still have trouble realizing that I really am now completely on my own out here. Of course, I will always have family (especially my immediate family) to fall back on should the worst happen, but I am indeed self-sufficient <redacted> I can really do whatever I want! Ha. Still, I live a pretty quiet life out here. Friends here & there, get food + stuff on my own + hang out. Saw <Josephine> a few days ago @ Target! Was quite a lovely surprise seeing my favorite Jason's Deli girl, ha. (Too bad she's taken!) But she's cool and very friendly. Also very pretty. All a different story... Guess the next step now is to recap 2012 where I left off... and catch up

to now. Of course, this story will give way to current events, but I'm pretty boring so yeah...

5      Last left off talking about the Jan 2012 class... my first of three mentor teams...