



Central Savannah River Section

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August 2009

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Mark your Calendars:

UPCOMING AACEI-CSRA SECTION MEETINGS

The AACEI-CSRA Section Dinner Meetings will begin again in August with the following:

- 08/27/09 J.D. Chiou, AC&SWM, SRNS
- 09/24/09 TBD
- 10/22/09 Chris Gentile, Tritium Programs, SRNS

OTHER IMPORTANT DATES

- 09/10/09 College Night (Augusta-Richmond Cty Civic Center)
- 10/09/09 EVP Certification Workshop – Augusta State Univ.
- 10/23/09 PSP Certification Workshop – Augusta State Univ.
- 11/05/09 Member Appreciation Dinner
- 11/07/09 Certification Exams – Augusta State Univ.
 - 8/25/09 - Early Deadline for Certification Exam
 - 9/09/09 - Final Deadline for Certification Exam
- 1/23/10 South Carolina Regional Future City Competition

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

CSRA College Night & Future City Competition
The AACEI-CSRA Section is sponsoring a booth at College Night and will be sponsoring one of the awards given at the 2010 Future City Competition. If anyone is interested in joining us by spending about an hour of your time speaking to the youth about AACEI opportunities! Contact Myron Berry, CCC, PMP (803) 557-4936 or myron.berry@srs.gov

There is also a need for more people to help out proctoring the exams coming up in November. If anyone is interested, please contact Jim Hammond, EVP (803) 952-6790 or james.hammond@srs.gov

Member Spotlight



AACEI

Monthly Dinner Meeting August 27, 2009 (Thursday)

" Quantifying the ARRA Effects at SRS "



Dr. J. D. Chiou
Vice President of Area Completion & Solid Waste Management (AC&SWM) for Savannah River Nuclear Solutions (SRNS)

5:45 p.m. Registration and Networking
6:30 p.m. Dinner and Program

Location: North Augusta Community Center
495 Brookside Drive
North Augusta, SC

Cost: \$15 per Member
\$20 per Non-Member

Guests/Spouses are welcome

Please RSVP to:

Ronny McIver (2-5942), ronny.mciver@srs.gov, or
David Larsen (208-0815) david.larsen@srs.gov
through email by COB Monday, August 24, 2009.

Workshops In October
Earned Value Professional (EVP)
Planning & Scheduling Professional (PSP)
See page 4 for details!



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President's Corner



Kathy Roberson
AACEI-CSRA
Section President

Congratulations to our incoming 2009-2010 AACEI-CSRA Section Board of Directors! This year promises to be another action packed year. Newcomers to the Board include **Joe Knick** (Marketing Director), **Steve Gross** (Communications Director) and **David Larsen** (Programs Director). The team has been working to bring you a variety of interesting speakers and topics for this year's dinner meetings. **Gary Bunker** (Membership Director) will continue his efforts in reaching out to new members in the community and **Jim Hammond** (Education Director) is working on setting up the fall line-up of workshops. **Myron Berry** will continue as our Treasurer, and **Ronny McIver** will support the Section as our Section's past president.

We have several volunteer opportunities this year, including the sponsoring of our booth at the CSRA College Night in September, and judging the Future City competition in January. Both are very rewarding experiences in giving back to the young people in our community. We are also planning for the Annual Members Appreciation Night in November. More details to follow in future newsletters!

AACE-CSRA SECTION 2009-2010 BOARD MEMBERS



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Gary Bunker, CCC



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Past President
**Ronny McIver
CCC, EVP**



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CSRA College Night 2009

**Thursday, September 10, 2009
5:00 – 8:30 pm**

**The James Brown Arena
(formerly known as)
Augusta-Richmond County Civic
Center**

**Located at 601 Seventh Street
Augusta, GA 30903**

The AACEI-CSRA Section will participate in the September, 2009 CSRA College Night at the Augusta-Richmond County Civic Center, where more than 10,000 CSRA students, parents and guidance counselors can visit more than 150 college and university information booths, and quiz university representatives about educational opportunities. In addition to sponsoring the AACEI Booth, the Chapter will contribute \$150 towards the \$17,000 event scholarship fund.

Congratulations to Amanda Lewis who won the College Night scholarship last year and is attending USC-Aiken this fall.

AACEI- CSRA SECTION AWARDS THREE COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS



The Central Savannah River Section of AACEI was pleased to award three \$500.00 college scholarships for the Fall of 2009. Scholarship recipients were selected on the basis of academic performance, extracurricular activities, and an essay on why cost engineering or total cost management will be important in pursuing their career goals.

Congratulations to the following!

Kristin Tempel (Clemson University)

Kristin is a rising senior majoring in Mechanical Engineering and plans on a career in cost improvement in the manufacturing industry.

Roger Hall (University of South Carolina Aiken)

Roger is a rising senior majoring in Accounting and taking courses that will also prepare him for a career in cost engineering in the construction or manufacturing industry.

Jason Hoffman (Georgia Institute of Technology)

Jason is a rising junior pursuing a degree in Polymer, Textile and Fiber Engineering. He is planning on a career at either a research facility or the research department of a manufacturing company.

**Check out our Section's Web Site
[http:// www.aacei-csra.org/](http://www.aacei-csra.org/)**

Central Savannah River Section News

Editor: Stephen M. Gross, EVP

Published for the members of the AACEI – Central Savannah River Section. AACEI is a non-profit professional organization dedicated to promoting the Planning and Management of Cost and Schedules. Since 1956, AACE International, has provided its members with the resources they need to enhance their performance and ensure continued growth and success.

Membership is open to cost and management professionals and visitors are welcome at Section meetings.

For further information, please contact us at aaceicsra.org@gmail.com.



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AACEI–CSRA Section is offering 2 Workshops this Fall:

October 9, 2009

***Earned Value Professional (EVP)
Certification Workshop***

Augusta State University
Augusta, Georgia

Instructors: Kathlene M. Roberson, EVP
Ronny McIver, EVP

(Reserve your seat by October 1, 2009)

October 23, 2009

***Planning & Scheduling Professional
(PSP)***

Certification Workshop

Augusta State University
Augusta, Georgia

Instructors: TBD

(Reserve your seat by October 15, 2009)

Both workshops are intended for anyone in the field of project or program management, project controls, cost engineering, planning, scheduling, finance, estimating or any other project or program related work who is preparing to take the EVP or PSP Certification Exam. Professionals attending either the EVP or PSP Certification Workshops should be fairly knowledgeable and have at least an intermediate level of project or program experience.

The cost of each workshop is \$395.00 per person. Both training workshops are co-sponsored by Augusta State University. Continuing education units, 1.0 CEU, will be awarded by ASU and attendees will receive a certificate from ASU. The cost includes course handouts, breakfast, lunch, and an Augusta State University (ASU) parking decal.

**Remit payment (checks only) to:
AACE International, CSRA Section
PO Box 749
Jackson, SC 29831-9998**

Note: Both workshops are authorized by SRS Site Training, and payment for SRS employees is possible with:

- a) *Management approval by completing and routing an Electronic Offsite Event Request (OER) through Lotus Notes (Sitewide Apps) and*
- b) ***Forwarding a hard copy of the approved OER and the Class Flyer to SRS Accounts Payable (Jonell Obryant).***

For Reservations:

Jim Hammond, EVP; (803)952-6790, email: james.hammond@srs.gov

Kathlene Roberson, EVP; (803)208-8727, email: kathlene.roberson@srs.gov



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**Join us at the next
AAACEI-CSRA Dinner Meeting
August 27, 2009**

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**Dr. J. D. Chiou
Vice President of Area Completion & Solid Waste
Management (AC&SWM) for Savannah River
Nuclear Solutions (SRNS)**

Dr. J. D. Chiou is the Vice President of Area Completion & Solid Waste Management (AC&SWM) for Savannah River Nuclear Solutions (SRNS). He is responsible for soil and groundwater remediation, facility D&D, and solid waste disposition for the Department of Energy's (DOE) Savannah River Site. The ongoing AC&SWM scope of work is funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

Prior to joining SRNS, Chiou worked at DOE's Fernald Closure Project for 14 years through the entire comprehensive environmental response compensation and liability act (CERCLA)/resource conservation and recovery act (RCRA) process. He was in charge of the site-wide soil and groundwater remediation, at-/below-grade structure D&D, natural resources restoration, environmental monitoring/reporting and a three million cubic yards on-site disposal facility. The Fernald Closure Project was completed in 2006, 12 years ahead of schedule, \$7.8 billion under the original DOEcost estimate and with an excellent safety performance record. As a result, Fluor Fernald Inc. and DOE received the prestigious Project Management Institute 2007 Project of the Year Award. After completing the Fernald Closure Project, Chiou worked for Fluor Hanford Inc. as a senior technical advisor focusing on waste sites characterization, groundwater remediation, and regulatory issues at the DOE's Hanford Reserve in Washington State. Chiou also supported Fluor's international projects at the UK Nuclear Decommissioning Authority's Sellafield and Drigg Sites between 2005 and 2007.

Prior to joining Fluor, Chiou worked for NUS/Brown & Root Environmental, supporting a variety projects for the U.S. EPA and DoD as well as other state agencies and private-sectors in the U.S. and international customers in Asia.

He received his BS in Agricultural Engineering from National Taiwan University and PhD in Civil Engineering from University of Pittsburgh. Dr. Chiou is also a registered professional engineer.

Highlights from the 4/23/09 AACEI-CSRA Dinner Meeting



The AACEI-CSRA Section held its April dinner Meeting with Sandra Fairchild as the guest speaker. Sandra described the various challenges facing the SRS-LWO in the area of Project Controls as well as the financial challenges ahead as they transition to a FAR Contract environment.

As Business Manager and Chief Financial Officer of Washington Savannah River Company, Sandra Fairchild is responsible for all aspects of financial matters affecting the company at the Washington Savannah River Company.

Ms. Fairchild has over 23 years of diversified financial experience in the fields of technical planning and controls management, procurement, contracts administration, accounting and governmental negotiations. She is certified by the state of South Carolina as a certified public accountant.

