



## Central Savannah River Section

### Mark your Calendars:

#### **UPCOMING AACEI-CSRA SECTION MEETINGS**

- 8/26/2010 - Vince Kramer, EZ-Go Corp.
- 9/30/2010 – Rodney Blackman, Project Integration and Planning Manager, SRR
- 10/28/2010 - October Dinner Meeting
- 11/11/2010 - Member’s Appreciation Dinner
- 1/27/2011 - January Dinner Meeting
- 2/24/2011 – February Dinner Meeting
- 3/24/2011 – March Dinner Meeting
- 4/28/2011 – April Dinner Meeting
- 5/26/2011 – May Dinner Meeting

#### **IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**10/1 & 8/2010 – 2-day EVP Workshop,  
See page 5 for details**

#### **Certification Exam**

- 11/6/2010 – Augusta State University**
- 8/23/10 – Early Deadline for exam
- 9/06/10 – Final Deadline for exam



**College Night**  
**9/14/2010**  
**- James Brown Arena**

*Members and Friends  
Spotlight*  
**Nola Grant**



Vince Kramer,  
E-Z-Go Corp.

**AACEI-CSRA Dinner Meeting**  
**August 26, 2010**

**“The Cost of Quality”**

See page 3 for details

**Congratulations to Christopher Epps, [c.epps@resmgt.com](mailto:c.epps@resmgt.com), a current member of our section of the AACEI, on passing the Planning and Scheduling Professional (PSP) Certification Exam.**

Let’s also congratulate some other people who have recently earned certifications.

**Ruth Metcalf – Certified Cost Engineer (CCE) 2/1/2010**

**Gary Howard - Certified Cost Engineer (CCE) 2/1/2010**

**Anna Brett Daniel – Certified Cost Technician (CCT) 4/1/2010**

**Congratulations to Anu Pillai, the winner of the 2010 scholarship. She is currently a junior at the Georgia Institute of Technology majoring in building construction with a future planned in sustainable building management.**

**(see page 4 for more information)**



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### President's Corner



**Kathy Roberson**  
**AACEI-CSRA**  
**Section President**

*And we are off – to the start of an other great year! Once again, The AACEI-CSRA Section has enjoyed a year of outstanding activity and success stories. Lets take a moment and reflect on our accomplishments for the past year and use the momentum to spring into this coming year's activities!*

### 2009-2010 AACEI-CSRA Accomplishments

**AWARDS / KUDOS**

- Outstanding Section Award from **AACEI HQ**

**SECTION MEETINGS**

- Annual Social Night
- Monthly Section Meetings

**EDUCATION / CERTIFICATIONS**

- CSRA Section conducted EVP and PSP Workshops at ASU
- Hosted Certification Exams (ASU)

**YOUNG ADULT ACTIVITIES**

- Awarded College Scholarships
- Sponsored AACEI-CSRA booth at the CSRA College Night
- Future City Competition: Awarded for the "Best Planned City"

Several of us came back with some great ideas for the section, after talking with the other sections during June's Annual AACEI Conference in Atlanta, GA. (See page 6 for pictures) We also brought back the "Outstanding Section Award" as a testament to our continuing excellence as the AACEI-CSRA Section.

This year, I challenge each and every one of you to get involved in our section's activities. We will sponsor a booth at the CSRA College Night in September, and will participate at the Future City Competition. Both are great ways to give back to the youth of our community. We are also talking with USCA about starting up a student section. Then there are the workshops, dinner meetings, Annual Social....

**Be sure to mark your calendars now for the  
AACEI Annual Social Night on November 11, 2010!**

### AACEI-CSRA Board of Directors

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For the latest news from AACEI Headquarters, please visit the website.  
<http://www.aacei.org/>

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## Central Savannah River Section

### **AACEI-CSRA Dinner Meeting August 26, 2010**

**Please RSVP by COB 8/23/10 to either:**  
**Laurel H. Wilson, 208-0656,**  
[laurel.wilson@srs.gov](mailto:laurel.wilson@srs.gov)  
**Kathlene M. Roberson, 208-8727,**  
[kathlene.roberson@srs.gov](mailto:kathlene.roberson@srs.gov)

**5:45 p.m. Registration and Networking**  
**6:30 p.m. Dinner and Program**  
**Cost:**  
**Members \$15 per person**  
**Non-Members \$20 per person**  
**Guests/Spouses are welcome**

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



**Vince Kramer**  
**Supplier Quality Engineering**  
**E-Z-Go A Textron Company.**

### ***“The Cost of Quality”***

Hi, my name is Vince Kramer. I am Supplier Quality Engineer at E-Z-GO a Textron Company.

Kathy asked me if I would and speak about the Cost of Quality with you on August 23rd. I didn't hesitate to accept her offer as this happens to be one of my favorite subjects. Just so that you know a little about me and what I do prior to then, I was requested to provide a short bio - so here goes.

I have been in manufacturing since 1993. In those 17 years I have held many positions from Sales and Technical Service to Manufacturing Engineering and Procurement. Prior to 1993 I served 4 years in the Air Force as a Wideband Communication Technician; 3 years Motor Cycle and Jet Ski Mechanic and eventually Service Manager. I finally found a home when I moved into Quality in 2004.

Part of the responsibility of the Quality Engineer is to ensure that parts are exactly what has been designed by Engineers. We also look at processes to ensure that quality is sustainable and consistent both internally and externally and ensure that the product that is delivered to the customer is exactly what they need when they need it and at the cost point that is expected.

I look forward to meeting all of you later this month.

Vince Kramer, Supplier Quality Engineer  
E-Z-GO a Textron Company.



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**Congratulations to Anu Pillai, the winner of the 2010 scholarship.**



Anu Pillai is a junior at the Georgia Institute of Technology. She is working to attain a Bachelors of Science in Building Construction with a minor in Architecture. In her spare time she is involved with many campus organizations and has also worked as an internship with different construction companies. In the future Anu wants to work towards promoting environmental considerations in the construction industry. She is the youngest daughter of Shaji and Asoka Pillai.

### **CSRA College Night – 9/14/2010 – James Brown Arena**

**Tuesday - 5:00 – 8:30 pm**

**(formerly known as)**

**Augusta-Richmond County Civic Center**

**Located at 601 Seventh Street**

**Augusta, GA 30903**



**There will be a scholarship awarded at College Night by AACEI for the 2011 school year. A drawing takes place toward the end of the evening and the winner is announced. So be sure to submit your entry soon after you arrive.**



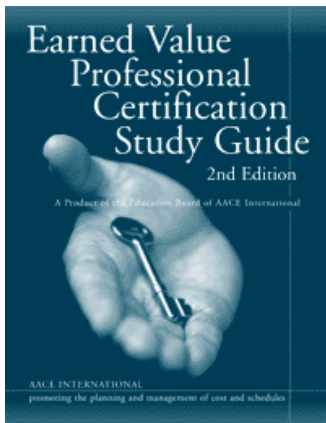
## Central Savannah River Section

# **AACEI–CSRA Section is offering a 2-day EVP Workshop**

**October 1 & 8, 2010**

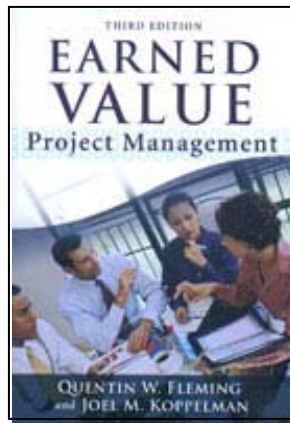
**Earned Value Professional (EVP)  
Certification Workshop  
Augusta State University  
Augusta, Georgia**

**PDU: 16/CEUs: 1.6**



**EVP Certification Study  
Guide, 2nd Edition**

by Ken Cressman CCC EVP  
and Gary C. Humphreys,  
Editors  
AACE International, 2009



**Earned Value Project  
Management, 3rd  
Edition**

by Quentin W. Flemings  
and Joel M. Koppelman

The workshop is 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 Certification Exam. Professionals attending the EVP Certification Workshop should be fairly knowledgeable and have at least an intermediate level of project or program experience.

**The cost is \$495.00 per person.** The training workshop is co-sponsored by Augusta State University. Continuing education units, 1.6 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.

**For Reservations:**

**Jim Hammond, EVP; (803)952-6790,  
email: [james.hammond@srs.gov](mailto:james.hammond@srs.gov)  
Kathlene Roberson, EVP; (803)208-8727,  
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**Great Value! Tuition includes:**

- 2 Study/Reference Books
- AACEI EVP Course Materials
- Sample questions, problems
- Answer Keys
- Case Studies
- Continental Breakfast and Lunch  
(both days)
- August State Continuing Education  
Certificate (PDUs: 16/CEUs: 1.6)

***(Reserve your seat by September 24, 2010)***

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

*Note: The workshop is 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 SRNS and Erin Booth or Matthew Soule for SRR.*



## Central Savannah River Section

**The CSRA section of AACEI received the "Outstanding Section Award" at the annual AACEI conference in Atlanta.**



Jim Hammond, Kathy Roberson, and Asoka Pillai were on hand to accept AACEI-CSRA's Section Award for Outstanding Performance



Manon Vakil, Kathy Roberson, Orvil Bradt, and Jim Hammond at the 54<sup>th</sup> Annual AACEI Conference in Atlanta, GA



**Asoka Pillai** is sworn in for his second year as Director of Region 3



Next Year's Annual Meeting will be in Anaheim, California.

### Central Savannah River Section News

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

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