



## Central Savannah River Section

### Mark your Calendars:

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

- 8/25/2011 – Chuck Smith of Edward Jones Co.**
- 9/22/2011 – September Dinner Meeting**
- 10/27/2011 – October Dinner Meeting**
- 11/10/2011 - Member's Appreciation Dinner**

#### **IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS**

##### **Additional Certification Exams**

**9/16/2011 – Exam – Augusta State University**

(for more detailed information on Arranged Exams, see page 5 of the October 2010 AACEI-CSRA Newsletter or go to the AACEI website))

**8/29/2011 – Early Deadline for Certification Exam**

**9/13/2011 – Final Deadline for Certification Exam**

**11/12/2011 – Exam - Augusta State University**

**9/8/2011 – Central Savannah River Area College Night – James Brown Arena**



**Join us at the next  
AACEI-CSRA Dinner Meeting  
August 25, 2011**



**Chuck Smith of Edward Jones Co.**

**Members & Friends  
Spotlight**





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## President's Corner



Kathy Roberson  
AACEI-CSRA  
Section President

Once again, AACEI-CSRA Section is off to another great start this year!

Meet our new Director of Programs, **Tambra Craven!** Tambra is working hard to bring us several quality speakers for our Dinner Meetings. We have several events planned and I urge you to get involved in the Section's activities. It's a great way to meet the other members and fun way to earn educational credits.

**Ashok Pillai** has returned as the Vice-President of the CSRA Board after serving the past 2 years as our Regional Director. Also a big welcome to **Blake Waller**, our new Director of Marketing. **Jim Hammond**, Director of Education, will be assisted by **Scott Macklin**. **Gary Bunker** (Director of Membership), **Myron Berry** (Treasurer), **Steve Gross** (Director of Communications), and **Sarah Mazul** (Web Master) have all returned as part of you 2011-2012 CSRA Board.

**CALLING ALL MEMBERS and VOLUNTEERS!** This year, we will again sponsor a booth at the CSRA College Night in September, and will participate at the Future City Competition in January. Call **Myron Berry** if you would like to participate in manning the booth and judging at the competition. Both are great ways to give back to the youth of our community. We are also initiating discussions with Augusta State University about starting up a student section.

### Have you heard about the new AACEI Mentoring Program?

AACE International formally launched its comprehensive Mentoring Program at its Annual Meeting June 19-22, in Anaheim, CA. The Mentoring Program evolved from a joint pilot program conducted by the Diversity Task Force, Women in Project Controls Committee and the Young Professionals Task Force in 2010. Building upon the initial success of the pilot, the AACE Mentoring Program employs a self-guided model that has gained wide acceptance among professional associations sponsoring mentoring programs.

The Mentoring Advisory Committee's major emphasis for the coming year will be in actively recruiting qualified mentors and explaining the importance of mentoring to various constituencies and stakeholders.

Yes – I signed up as a mentor and have already been assigned a mentee. The web address to sign up as a mentor (or mentee) is:

<http://www.aacei.org/career/mentor/>



AACE International entered into a partnership with the Center for Coaching & Mentoring, Inc. to provide the assessment and training resources such as the mentoring handbook to support mentors and mentees/partners. AACE also engaged Boxwood Technologies to adapt their matching and administrative system that facilitates the self-guided selection process. Boxwood Technologies is the leading provider of career center and e-mentoring software programs to the association community. Boxwood Technologies also manages the more robust AACE International's Career Center introduced earlier this year.

## 2011 – 2012 AACEI-CSRA Section Board

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**Kathlene M. Roberson, EVP**



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**Asoka K. Pillai, CCE, EVP**



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**Scott Macklin, CCC**



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**Blake Waller**



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**Myron Berry, CCC, PMP**



**Director - Communications**

**Stephen M. Gross, EVP**



**Web Master**

**Sarah Mazul**



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

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### **AACEI-CSRA Dinner Meeting August 25th, 2011**

**Please RSVP by COB 8/22/11 to either:**  
Tambra Craven, 208-2257,  
[tambra.craven@srs.gov](mailto:tambra.craven@srs.gov)  
Kathy Roberson, 952-6207,  
[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 Ave.**  
**North Augusta, SC**



**Chuck Smith of Edward Jones Co.**

#### **Company Background**

Edward Jones provides financial services for individual investors in the United States and through its affiliate in Canada. Every aspect of the firm's business, from the types of investment options offered to the location of branch offices, is designed to cater to individual investors in the communities in which they live and work. The firm's 12,000-plus financial advisors work directly with nearly 7 million clients to understand their personal goals – from college savings to retirement – and create long-term strategies for their investments that emphasize a well-balanced portfolio and a buy-and hold strategy. Edward Jones embraces the importance of building long-term, face-to-face relationships with clients, helping them to understand and make sense of the investment options available today.

Edward Jones, which ranked No. 2 on FORTUNE magazine's "100 Best Companies to Work For" in 2010, is headquartered in St. Louis. The firm's interactive website is located at [www.edwardjones.com](http://www.edwardjones.com), and its recruiting website is [www.careers.edwardjones.com](http://www.careers.edwardjones.com).

#### **Work Experience**

United States Army (Retired) Lieutenant Colonel  
Edward Jones Financial Advisor 1992 – Present

#### **Education**

BA University of Alabama  
MBA University of Brenau  
Accredited Asset Management Specialist  
College of Financial Planning

#### **Community Involvement**

Active Member serving on Savannah River Site  
Community Re-Use Organization  
Vice Chair NA Community Foundation  
Member Sertoma  
Member Lions Club  
Member Rotary Club  
Member of Executive Board for Energy Community Alliance



## Central Savannah River Section

### **CSRA College Night – 9/8/2011 – 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**



The AACEI-CSRA Section will participate in the September, 2011 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.



**There will be a scholarship awarded at College Night by AACEI for the 2012 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.**



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### Professional Resources from AACE International @ <http://www.aacei.org/resources>

**Recommended Practices** - a series of documents that contain valuable reference information that has been subject to a rigorous review process and recommended for use by the AACE International Technical Board

**Professional Practice Guides** - reference CDs containing the most worthwhile existing contributions to the cost engineering field organized as a collection of selected articles covering a particular technical topic area, or industry segment

**AACE Presents (Webinars)** - A series of webinars, linked to a discussion forum, featuring some of the most popular presentations and presenters from past Annual Meetings. AACE Presents is a member only benefit - free to all members!

### EVMS QUIZ

**1. If the PV = \$1,000,000, the BAC = \$2,000,000, the AC = \$1,500,000, the EV = \$500,000 and you are halfway through the project after two years, what is the cost estimate at completion?**

- A) \$2,000,000
- B) \$4,000,000
- C) \$6,000,000**
- D) \$8,000,000
- E) Cannot be determined without the EAC

**2. Once a project has progressed beyond its "mid-point" the \_\_\_\_\_.**

- A) cumulative CPI becomes more sensitive to recent problems
- B) current CPI will not change greatly
- C) cumulative CPI becomes less sensitive to recent problems**
- D) cumulative CPI is more important to watch than the current CPI

**3. What is the purpose of developing an EAC Estimate?**

- A) Project the functional support overhead pool liquidations
- B) Accurately predict the total cost of the project at its completion**
- C) Provide for the CPI/SPI validation of performance
- D) Assure compliance with the IBS funding process

Answers are in red

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

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