



Central Savannah River Section

Mark your Calendars:

UPCOMING AACEI-CSRA SECTION MEETINGS

2/23/2012 – February Dinner Meeting - Hawthorne Welcher Jr., City of Augusta – Laney Walker Project

3/22/2012 – March Dinner Meeting

4/26/2012 – April Dinner Meeting – Michael R. Nosbisch, President, AACE International

5/24/2012 – May Dinner Meeting

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Workshop Dates:

3/23 & 24/ 2012 – EVP Workshop, ASU
RSVP by 3/15/2012

April/May 2012 (TBD) – CCC/CCE Workshop

Certification Exam Dates:

3/10/2012 – Exam Day, Augusta State University
12/6/2011 – Early Registration Deadline for Exam
1/3/2012 – Final Registration Deadline for Exam

7/21/2012 – Exam Day, Augusta State University
4/11/2012 – Early Registration Deadline for Exam
5/9/2012 – Final Registration Deadline for Exam

12/8/2012 – Exam Day, Augusta State University
8/8/2012 – Early Registration Deadline for Exam
9/5/2012 – Final Registration Deadline for Exam

Vote by March 15th - 2012-2013 AACE International Board of Directors Election
– (Members in good standing of AACEI-CSRA)

7/8/2012 thru 7/11/2012 – AACEI's 56th Annual Meeting in San Antonio, TX

AACEI-CSRA Dinner Meeting February 23d, 2012



Hawthorne Welcher Jr., City of Augusta

Laney-Walker/Bethlehem Revitalization Project

Members & Friends Spotlight



President's Corner



Kathy Roberson
AACEI-CSRA
Section President

Calling all Members!

Are you interested in participating in the AACEI-CSRA Section Board of Directors? The Nominating Committee is working on the roster for next year's AACEI-CSRA Board membership. **Contact Joe Knick (208-8268)** if you are interested in participating!

Potential candidates should submit a brief biographical sketch to Joe Knick by April 16th. The Nominating Committee will present the list of candidates to the general membership and Board of Directors at the April 26th Dinner Meeting.

Serving on the AACEI-CSRA Board is an excellent way to earn credits towards your certification renewals! **Join us as a member of the 2012-2013 Board of Directors.**

Check out **THE SOURCE!**

AACE International is proud to introduce an exciting new addition to our communications portfolio to supplement our **Cost Engineering** journal. The new addition, **Source**, is a bimonthly digital publication focusing on Association activities and items of interest to the total cost management community. Beginning in February 2012, **Source** will be published in even number months while the **Cost Engineering** journal will be published six times per year in the odd number months.

Goto:<http://www.aacei.org/resources/source/>



2012-2013 AACE International Board of Directors Election



Did you know that.....
Asoka Pillai
Is on the ballot for the
AACE International Board
Of Directors?

Be sure to vote by 3/15/12!

2011 – 2012 AACEI-CSRA Section Board

President
Kathlene
M. Roberson, EVP

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Asoka K.
Pillai, CCE, EVP

Director - Memberships
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Blake Waller

Director - Education
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EVP

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Tambra Craven

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Myron Berry, CCC, PMP

Assistant Director - Education
Scott Macklin, CCC

Director - Communications
Stephen M. Gross, EVP

AACEI Headquarters INFO!
For the latest news from AACEI Headquarters, please
visit the website.
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AACEI-CSRA Monthly Dinner Meeting February 23d, 2012

Please RSVP by COB 2/21/12 to either:
Tambra Craven, 208-2257,
tambra.craven@srs.gov
Asoka Pillai, 952-4079,
asoka.pillai@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



Hawthorne Welcher, City of Augusta

Laney-Walker/Bethlehem Revitalization Project

If you were to ask someone to describe Laney Walker Boulevard in the 1960s you would hear conversations about Jamming with James Brown or taking in a movie or a live performance at the Lenox Theatre. The community was thriving with single family homes and people walking the sidewalks on Laney Walker Boulevard from 15th Street down to the Lenox Theatre on 9th.

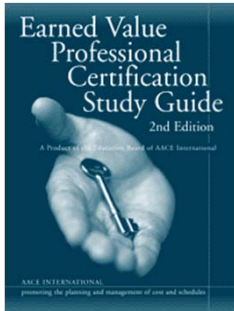
FAST FORWARD TO 2008. In 2008, City leaders approved long-term funding for community development in Laney Walker/Bethlehem. Led by the Augusta Housing and Community Development Department, the City is employing a multi-phased approach to guide redevelopment, growth and sustainability in this historic community.

With three years of planning under its belt, the Housing Department is now rebuilding neighborhoods in six priority development areas, including Heritage Pine, winner of the Georgia Planning Association's 2011 Outstanding Plan Implementation award.

Hawthorne Welcher, Jr. has served as the Assistant Director – Housing for the Housing & Community Development Department in Augusta, Georgia since May 2008. Mr. Welcher's fourteen years of community and economic development expertise has led to an exceptional career and an understanding of most Federal, State, and Local Development Programs (HOME, CDBG, Trust Funds, USDA, Federal Home Loan Bank, PRI, Housing Choice Voucher and Low Income Housing Tax Credits) generally applied for and obtained by nonprofits, participating jurisdictions (pj's), cities and other local municipalities.

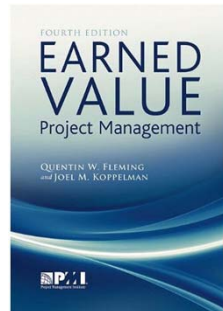
Correction: The picture in the dinner flyer of 2/15/12 was of Dr. Hawthorne E. Welcher Sr. and not the speaker, Mr. Hawthorne Welcher Jr.

AACEI-CSRA Section is offering a 2-day EVP Workshop



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

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



**Earned Value
Project
Management,
4th Edition**

by Quentin W.
Fleming and Joel
M. Koppelman

March 23d & 24th, 2012
Earned Value Professional (EVP)
Certification Workshop
Augusta State University
Augusta, Georgia

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
March 15th, 2012**

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

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 or pass.

For Reservations:

Jim Hammond, EVP; (803)215-5416,

email: jhammd@gmail.com

Kathlene Roberson, EVP; (803)208-8727,

email: kathlene.roberson@srs.gov

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, the Class Flyer and the APV (Accounts Payable Voucher for SRNS, OSR-22-40) to Travel, 730-1B, RM 1105, c/o Teresa Jennings) and Erin Booth or Matthew Soule for SRR.
- c) Note: for SRNS, Accounts Payable is setting up AACEI as a vendor in the new financial system for FY2012.



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AACE'S 56th Annual Meeting



AACE's 56th Annual Meeting
A Fiesta for Total Cost Management
at the
Marriott Rivercenter Hotel
San Antonio, TX, USA
Sunday, July 8, 2012
thru
Wednesday, July 11, 2012



Keynote Speaker: Connie Podesta

Connie Podesta, an expert in the psychology of human behavior and leadership development, is internationally known for her high-energy, interactive, powerful, entertaining and result oriented sessions.

AACE International Total Cost Management Conference [Call for Papers](#)

Abstracts Due February 28, 2012

To [present a paper](#) at the AACE International Total Cost Management Conference, an abstract of the proposed paper must be submitted on the [abstract form](#) with this call for papers. Papers for the technical program are selected based on the abstract, and in the case of previous speakers, also on evaluations of prior presentations.

Also use the [abstract form](#) to request a place on the program for panel discussions, forums, technical subcommittee meetings, or any other special event that may not have a prepared paper.

The deadline for submitting the abstract is February 28, 2012.

If you have any questions, please call 800.858.COST / +1.304.296.8444, or send us e-mail at trans@aacei.org.



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2012-2013 AACE International Board of Directors Election

Members Must Vote Electronically on or Before 4 P.M. Eastern US Time on March 15, 2012

Election of Officers and Directors will be by use of an electronic ballot. The official election ballot for Officers will be posted and available to each member and associate member on or before **February 1, 2012**. Each voter shall properly signify on the ballot the voter's choice for the various Officers. A security feature of the electronic voting system allows members and associate members to vote only once. A voter can print out a receipt that will include an individual verification number as proof of having voted.

For election of Directors-Region(s), these candidates will be listed as a continuing or additional page for members or associate members in the Regions electing candidates during the 2012 election. Each voter shall properly signify on the ballot the voter's choice for the Director.

Any member or associate member with questions or other concerns is asked to contact Headquarters for assistance.

Electronic voting will end as of 4 p.m. eastern US time on March 15, 2012. Ballots received after **March 15, 2012**, will not be counted.

Your vote is important to the future of AACE International.

At the AACE International Web Site you can get the full slate of candidates for the various 2012 offices that are up for election to the AACE International Board of Directors. The information contained in the write-ups was submitted by the individual candidates and reflects what they say have been their associations with AACE International and what their goals for office are.



AACE Membership Increases By 5.6 Percent Over 2010

AACE International membership has increased by 5.6% over the same time last year. Through the end of December, AACE International membership had grown to 7,794 compared to 7,377 the previous year. In releasing the figures, AACE International Executive Director Dennis Stork commented that "despite the challenging economic environment, individuals and companies are confirming that AACE International's benefits and services provide a compelling value proposition for new and existing members."

Stork noted that AACE International recently released a new membership video highlighting the wide spectrum of benefits and features. The video is designed to complement the 2012 Member Get a Member Campaign. "**While we had solid growth in 2011, we believe that the expansion and enhancement of services planned for 2012 and the more robust marketing campaign being planned will result in even more robust membership growth in 2012,**" he predicted. The new membership video may be reviewed at <http://www.aacei.org/mbr/recruitment/>.

Stork also noted that as of December 31 2011, all individual, Corporate and Organizational Membership Partnerships were on a January 1 - December 31 cycle. For a brief period, the organization experimented with an anniversary billing but found it created both administrative and communication difficulties. Now all memberships have a common termination date of December 31.



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Local School Wins 2012 Regional Future City Competition

On a recent rainy Saturday morning, over 175 students scrambled to keep their large city models dry, while hustling to register for the final phase of the 19th annual Regional Future City Competition held at the University of South Carolina Aiken. AACIE-CSRA members Myron Berry and Gary Bunker were there – to assist in judging the entries.

Forty-eight teams from 22 middle schools located throughout the state of South Carolina, and the city of Augusta, competed head-to-head in the SRNS, USCA-Ruth Patrick Science Center sponsored competition. Each year, the Future City organization presents themes that highlight a current issue and asks participating students to investigate and come up with viable solutions. This year's theme was *Fuel Your Future: Imagine New Ways to Meet Our Energy Needs and Maintain a Healthy Planet.*

The Regional Future City Competition has received widespread recognition for its role towards encouraging students to develop their interest in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM). Through hands-on applications, Future City participants discover by doing how engineering is both accessible and can make a difference in the world. For information on the 2012-13 Future City Competition, visit www.futurecity.org or contact Kim Mitchell at kimberly.mitchell@srs.gov or (803) 952-8782.



Lacie Leach from Aiken's Kennedy Middle School explains the merits of their team's model city to judges at this year's Future City Regional Competition held at the University of South Carolina Aiken. Co-team members Tyler Reedy (lower left) and Makenzie Cude (lower right) look on ready to assist.



Kennedy Middle School will be traveling to Washington D.C. to compete in the national Future City competition. From left, Amanda Reedy, Lacie Leach, Tyler Reedy, Makenzie Cude and Margo McDowell Gore.



W.A. Perry Middle School, "Hydro-Utopia, Columbia, S.C. received second place at the regional competition. Team members: Michael Bannister, Jarquis Pope, and Justin Simmons



North Augusta Middle School, received third place with their city, "Nova Vita." Team members: Jordan Houston, Catherine Powell, and Sara Tyrrell



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Highlights from January 23d Meeting

Engineering & Technology in the Central Savannah River Area: Mini Career Fair & Panel Discussion At the URS Center for the Performing Arts, Aiken, SC

Engineering & Technology Panel Discussion

The panel members reviewed their own backgrounds, career paths, challenges for women in the workplace today and employment opportunities.

The panelists included :

Cheryl Cabbil with over 29 years of experience in operations and safety and Department of Energy facilities. She is the UCOR Team, Vice President and Environmental, Safety, Health and Quality Assurance Manager.

Ria Alexander-Reid is an electrical engineer at Kimberly Clark Corporation in Beech Island. Her duties include serving as the electrical lead on a multi-million dollar capital improvement project & contributing to process improvement & equipment optimization efforts.

Dr. Lynnette Phillips McCluskey has been at Georgia Health Sciences University for over 10 years where she directs the Graduate Program in Molecular Medicine, teaches, and performs research on neural degeneration.

The event sponsor was The Society of Women Engineers (SWE-CSRA)

The Society of Women Engineers is the largest non-profit educational and service organization representing both student and professional women in engineering and technical fields.

Career Fair participants included:

- URS Corporation
- Bridgestone
- Kimberly Clark Corp.
- MOX Shaw AREVA Serv. LLC.
- RCS Nuclear
- Value Added Solutions, Inc.
- Additional information about positions with career fair participating companies:
http://www.swe.org/regiond/d018/jan23_2012.htm



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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.