



## Central Savannah River Section

Central Savannah River Section, P. O. Box 749, Jackson, SC 29831

January 2010

Page 1

## Mark your Calendars:

### <u>UPCOMING AACEI-CSRA</u> SECTION MEETINGS

01/28/10 Beth Bilson, SRNS

02/25/10 Carla Caldwell, Project Vision

03/25/10 Aaron Clements, C&C Automotive

04/29/10 Jim French, April Dinner

05/27/10 Joint Meeting with PMI

# IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS 1/23/10 - South Carolina Regional Competition

Future City Competition
The AACEI-CSRA Section will be sponsoring
one of the awards given at the 2010 Future City
Competition. If anyone is interested in joining
us for this event, Contact Myron Berry, CCC,
PMP (803) 557-4936 or myron.berry@srs.gov

If anyone is interested in attending a workshop in preparation for taking the CCC/CCE examination, contact Jim Hammond, Kathy Roberson or anyone on the board of directors of the AACEI\_CSRA section.

The deadlines for signing up for the exam at the Annual Meeting in Atlanta has been changed. The dates now are the same as those of the July exam.

## <u>Members and Friends</u> <u>Spotlight</u>



# AACEI Monthly Dinner Meeting January 28, 2010 (Thursday)



Beth Bilson, Vice President, Business Services, SRNS, LLC

## \* \* \* Reminder \* \* \* <u>AACEI-CSRA SCHOLARSHIPS</u>

The AACEI-CSRA Section is now accepting Scholarship Applications from qualified rising sophomores through graduate students who are attending school in either Georgia or South Carolina, and who are pursuing a related degree/associate degree in engineering, construction management, building construction, computer sciences, business, quantity surveying, information technology, etc.

Applications are due 2/15/10

(See attached files for application)



## aace International

the association for the advancement of cost engineering

## Central Savannah River Section

Central Savannah River Section, P. O. Box 749, Jackson, SC 29831

January 2010

Page 2

#### <u>President's</u> Corner



Kathy Roberson AACEI-CSRA Section President

## Happy New Year Everyone!

It's a new year and we are very excited about the speakers we have lined up. Beth Bilson of SRNS will be with us at the January dinner meeting. You can read about her on page 3 of this newsletter.

Carla Caldwell from the CSRA's United Way, Project Vision will be our speaker in February. In light of the Haiti disaster, I'm wondering what perspective she will bring to us here in the CSRA.

You may have heard Aaron Clements of C&C Automotive on the radio Saturday mornings. Someone on our board was quoted to have said that he's a real hoot to listen to on the radio. I'm sure he'll have some interesting insights for us concerning the auto industry.

These dinners are a great opportunity to meet people from around the site and the area that you would not normally be able to meet, and to hear about other activities and efforts in the community.

If anyone is interested in attending a workshop in preparation for taking the CCC/CCE or for the EVP examination, contact Jim Hammond, Kathy Roberson or anyone on the board of directors of the AACEI\_CSRA section.

#### **AACEI-CSRA Board of Directors**

<u>President</u> Kathlene Roberson, EVP

Memberships Director
Gary Bunker, CCC

<u>Programs Director</u> David Larsen, PSP Education Director
Jim Hammond, EVP

<u>Treasurer</u> Myron Berry, CCC, PMP

Marketing Director
Joe Knick, EVP, PMP

Communications Director

Stephen Gross, EVP

Past President

Ronny McIver, CCC, EVP

Regional Director
Asoka Pillai, CCE, EVP

AACEI Headquarters INFO!

For the latest news from AACEI Headquarters, please visit the website.

http://www.aacei.org/

AACEI-CSRA Section INFO! visit our website. http://www.aacei-csra.org/

## Central Savannah River Section

Central Savannah River Section, P. O. Box 749, Jackson, SC 29831

January 2010

Page 3

# **January 28, 2010**

Please RSVP by COB 1/25/10 to either: David Larsen, 208-0815, david.larsen@srs.gov Ronny McIver, 952-5942, ronny.mciver@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



Beth Bilson, Vice President, Business Services, Savannah River Nuclear Solutions, LLC

Beth Bilson was appointed Vice President of Business Services for Savannah River Nuclear Solutions in September 2009. In that capacity she has responsibility for Project Controls, Contracts and Supply Chain Management

.She has over 25 years management experience in environmental and chemical processing industries including executive level positions within the U.S. government and private sector. She has held senior project management positions for the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), overseeing the environmental cleanup of hundreds of radioactive waste sites and the deactivation and demolition of contaminated buildings and nuclear reactors.

Ms. Bilson joined Fluor in 2004 as a Senior Project Director. Prior to taking that position she was the Deputy Project Director for the American Centrifuge Project building a \$1.5 billion uranium enrichment facility for the USEC Corporation. She also earlier held the position of Vice President for Environmental, Safety, Health and Quality for Fluor Hanford and was responsible for planning the transition and closeout of the Fluor Fernald Project.

Ms. Bilson worked for DOE for 12 years. While at DOE Headquarters her responsibilities included oversight of the Nuclear Material and Facility Disposition management programs at DOE sites in Idaho, Washington, California and Tennessee. Working for the Richland Operations Office, she was the Assistant Manager for the River Corridor, responsible for cleanup of 210 square miles of the Hanford Nuclear Reservation, a \$3.3 billion, 10-year project, implementing the DOE Project Management requirements for that project. At the same time she managed the Hanford Site Infrastructure and the Hanford Closure Office.

Ms. Bilson began her career as a Chemical Processing Engineer at FMC Corporation making agricultural pesticides. She worked for FMC for 14 years, moving through positions as a design engineer, startup manager, and exiting the corporation as the Business Unit Manager for the Furadan® production; line manager for chemical manufacturing of agricultural pesticides and herbicide intermediates with a \$65 million annual budget.

She is a certified Project Manager with PMI, and a Certified Environmental Manager with NREP.

## Central Savannah River Section

Central Savannah River Section, P. O. Box 749, Jackson, SC 29831

January 2010

Page 4

#### **CERTIFICATION EXAM CALENDAR**

**Upcoming Certification Exam Dates for the CSRA** 

3/06/10 Certification Exams – Augusta State Univ. 12/21/09 – Early Deadline for Certification Exam 1/05/10 – Final Deadline for Certification Exam

> At the 54<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting in Atlanta GA 6/26/10 Certification Exams

4/27/10 – Early Deadline for Certification Exam 5/11/10 – Final Deadline for Certification Exam

7/10/10 Certification Exams – Augusta State Univ. 4/27/10 – Early Deadline for Certification Exam 5/11/10 – Final Deadline for Certification Exam

11/6/10 Certification Exams – Augusta State Univ. 8/23/10 – Early Deadline for Certification Exam 9/06/10 – Final Deadline for Certification Exam



# TCM: Cost Engineering on My Mind

At the Atlanta Marriott Marquis
Atlanta, GA

Sunday, June 27, 2010 thru Wednesday, June 30, 2010

Don't miss out on this excellent opportunity to network with your peers, earn CEUs / PDHs and attend the latest papers on cost, schedule and management at AACE's  $54^{\rm th}$  Annual Meeting.

#### It's that time again to renew your membership to AACEI

If you forgot to pay your dues, you can do so on our secure website today by clicking here: <a href="http://www.aacei.org/PortalTools/Login.cfm">http://www.aacei.org/PortalTools/Login.cfm</a> and logging in. If you have changed your address, phone number or e-mail address in the past year, please update it once you have logged into your profile, so we can provide membership services to you without interruption.