



Central Savannah River Section

Mark your Calendars:

UPCOMING AACEI-CSRA SECTION MEETINGS

- 1/27/2011 – Tony Gilman, Director, Project Information Management Department, URS**
- 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

3/18&19/2011 – EVP Certification Workshop – Augusta State University
(See Page 4 for details)

Additional Certification Exams

- 2/28/2011 – Early Deadline for Certification Exam**
- 3/15/2011 – Final Deadline for Certification Exam**
- 5/14/2011 – Exam - Augusta State University**
- 8/29/2011 – Early Deadline for Certification Exam**
- 9/13/2011 – Final Deadline for Certification Exam**
- 11/12/2011 – Exam - Augusta State University**

1/22/2011 – South Carolina Regional Future City Competition

2/28/2011 – Deadline to apply for the AACE International – CSRA Section Competitive Scholarship Program

6/19/2011 Thru 6/22/2011 – The 55th Annual Conference in Anaheim, CA

Join us at the next AACEI-CSRA Dinner Meeting January 27, 2011



Tony Gilman
Director, Project Information Management Department
“URS Information Management and Document Control”

(See page 3 for details)

Section Membership Dues

The annual membership dues in 2011 will be \$143, an increase from \$130. This will be the first AACEI dues increase in nearly a decade. Members can renew via our secure website by clicking here: <https://www.aacei.org/Portal/Tools/Login.cfm> to log in.

If you have changed your address, phone number or e-mail address in the past year, please update it once you have logged in so AACE can provide membership services without interruption.
(See Page 5 for additional details)

Members and Friends Spotlight





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President's Corner

Happy New Year Everyone!



Kathy Roberson
AACEI-CSRA
Section President

Looks like we are off to a great start for 2011!

Thanks to our hard working CSRA Section Board, we have added 3 new corporate sponsorships to our membership roster! **Energy Solutions, Project Time & Cost, and Savannah River Remediation**, have all joined us. We look forward to meeting our new members at the next Section dinner meeting on January 27th!

A couple of our current members have elected to take retirement. Please keep in contact by sending us your new e-mail addresses and we will continue keeping you on distribution for future AACEI events. It's a great way to remain in contact with your peers and co-workers. We would love to keep in touch with you!

See everyone January 27th at our next dinner meeting!

***** Reminder *****

AACEI-CSRA SCHOLARSHIPS

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 2/28/2011

(See Attached files for Application)

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

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AACEI
Monthly Dinner Meeting
January 27, 2011 (Thursday)

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

**Location: North Augusta
Community Center
495 Brookside Ave.
North Augusta, SC**

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

Guests/Spouses are welcome

Please RSVP to:

Laural H. Wilson (8-0656),

laurel.wilson@srs.gov, or

Kathy Roberson (952-6207)

kathy.roberson@srs.gov

**through email by COB Monday,
January 24th, 2011.**



Tony Gilman
Director, Project Information
Management Department
“URS Information Management
and Document Control”

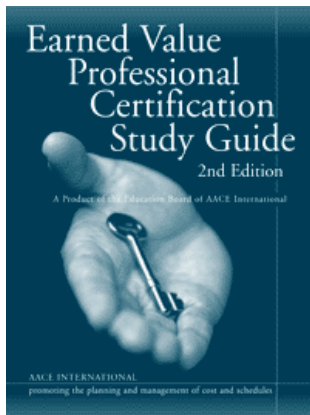
Tony Gilman is Director and Functional Lead of the Project Information Management Department. Tony has nearly 20 years of experience in document control and management. He has supervised document management activities for a variety of large, complex projects in virtually all Washington Division business groups.

Tony provides leadership, strategic direction, functional management, administration, inter-office and inter-Group coordination and employee development within the Project Information Management function. He also has ownership and administrative responsibility for the maintenance of the Division’s Project Information Management project execution procedures and systems and champions their continual improvement. Has overall responsibility for the direction and management of the PIM department.



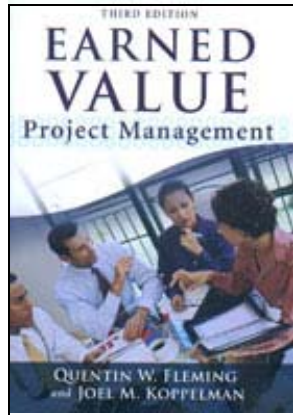
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AACEI-CSRA Section is offering a 2-day EVP Workshop



EVP Certification Study Guide, 2nd Edition

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



Earned Value Project Management, 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 or pass.

For Reservations:

**Jim Hammond, EVP; (803)952-6790,
email: james.hammond@srs.gov
Kathlene Roberson, EVP; (803)952-6207,
email: kathlene.roberson@srs.gov**

**March 18th & 19th, 2011
Earned Value Professional (EVP)
Certification Workshop
Augusta State University
Augusta, Georgia**

PDU: 16/CEUs: 1.6

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 10th, 2011)

**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.*

AACE Returns to Calendar Billing for Membership Dues

AACE International will be returning to a calendar year billing in 2011. Effective January 1, 2011, new members joining the association will pay pro-rata dues and be on a January 1-December 31 billing cycle from that point forward. New members joining in the first quarter (January 1-March 31) will pay \$143*. New members joining in the second quarter (April 1 - June 30) will pay \$117.25* while members joining in the third quarter (July 1 - September 30) will pay \$81.50* plus the fee. Individuals joining AACE as new members after October will pay the following year's dues* and receive benefits for the balance of the calendar year for free.

(*All new members will pay a \$10 application processing fee.)

AACE will also be converting renewing members to the January 1-December 31 cycle. Individual members renewing in 2011 will be billed a pro-rata amount of dues based upon the month of their renewal, rounded down to the nearest dollar. "Our plan is to have all AACE International members renewing on the January 1-December 31 cycle by January 1, 2011. This uniformity of renewal date will allow us to also promote the Corporate Sponsorship Program more effectively as we will also be converting those renewals to the January 1-December 31 cycle in 2011," commented AACE President Steve Revay.

If assistance is needed, contact AACE Headquarters: (phone) +1-800-858-2678, +1-304-296-8444, (email) info@aacei.org

Questions About Paying Your Dues Online? Here Are the Instructions!

Once you have received a renewal email or letter, you can login to pay your dues online.

To do so:

1. Use the Login button on the top right of the AACE website to access the portal.
2. Click the Membership link on the left menu.
3. Click on the "Click here to Renew Membership" link that appears on the page.
4. Click on the "Continue to Checkout" button at the bottom of the page.
5. Follow the on-screen instructions to checkout and pay.

AACEI Members & Friends who are Retiring

Linda Seebode



James Hammond



We gave a quiz to some of our intrepid retirees. (Not necessarily the ones pictured). The results were a little frightening but, odds are, they will do quite well in the next chapter of their lives.

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| 1. Name the four seasons? | Salt, Pepper, Mustard & Vinegar |
| 2. What is the fibula? | A small Lie. |
| 3. What does "varicose" mean? | Nearby |
| 4. What is a seizure? | A Roman Emperor |



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Good Advice is Hard to Find

Never answer an anonymous letter.

Yogi Berra also said, "If the world were perfect, it wouldn't be".

Some people seem to be complainers.

My wife complains a lot. She tells me that I never listen to her. Well, at least I think that's what she says. I'm not sure. I don't really pay much attention.

Anyway, below is another article from the book "The Secret of Shelter Island"

Reverend Bowen's 21-Day Challenge

A man named Reverend Will Bowen wrote a book called *A Complaint Free World*.

His challenge is to try going 21 days without complaining.

(Bowen says it takes 21 days for a new habit to become ingrained).

"Visit the website www.AComplaintFreeWorld.org and order two purple "Complaint Free" bracelets, one for yourself and one for someone you love. (The bracelets are free. There is a shipping charge of 75 cents.)"

"Begin wearing the bracelet on either wrist. When you catch yourself complaining, gossiping, or criticizing, move the bracelet to the other wrist and begin again. Stay with it until you can go 21 days without a complaint."

"This is tougher than it sounds. So far, more than 5 million people have ordered the bracelets. The average person reports needing 4 to 8 months to go a full 21 days without complaining."

"But the testimonials are glorious. This simple practice in mindfulness has transformed people's lives and elevated entire organizations. So order your bracelets. In the meantime, here's an amusing story from Reverend Bowen's book to put you in the right frame of mind.

A young monk joined an order that required total silence. At his discretion, the abbot could allow any monk to speak. It was nearly five years before the abbot approached the novice monk and said, "You may speak two words." Choosing his words carefully, the monk said, "Hard bed." With genuine concern, the abbot said, "I'm sorry your bed isn't comfortable. We'll see if we can get you another one."

Around his tenth year in the monastery, the abbot came to the young monk and said, "You may say two more words." "Cold food," the monk said. "We'll see what we can do," the abbot said.

*On the monk's fifteenth anniversary, the abbot said again, "You may now speak two words." "I quit," the monk said. "It's probably for the best," replied the abbot. "**You've done nothing but gripe since you got here.**"*

From the book "The Secret of Shelter Island"



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Highlights from Previous Dinner Meetings Speakers from 2010

January
Beth Bilson
SRNS



February
Carla Caldwell
United Way



March
Aaron Clements
C&C Automotive



April
Lyden D. Olson
SRR



May
Rhoda Allen (PMI)
IBM



August
Vince Cramer
E-Z Go Corp.



September
Patrick A. McMaster
Lifeline Mgmt Systems



October
Rodney Blackmon
SRR



We are looking forward to another year of interesting and informative speakers from SRS as well as from the CSRA.

Central Savannah River Section News

Editor: **Stephen M. Gross, EVP**

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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.