## Mark your Calendars:

### UPCOMING AACEI-CSRA SECTION  MEETINGS

**9/30/2010** – **Tony Gilman**
 **Director, Project Information Management Department, WGI**

**10/28/2010** – **Rodney Blackmon, Project Integration and Planning Manager, SRR**

**11/11/2010** – **The Annual Member's Appreciation Dinner**

### IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

**10/1 & 8/2010** – **2-day EVP Workshop, The deadline to sign up is September 24th.**
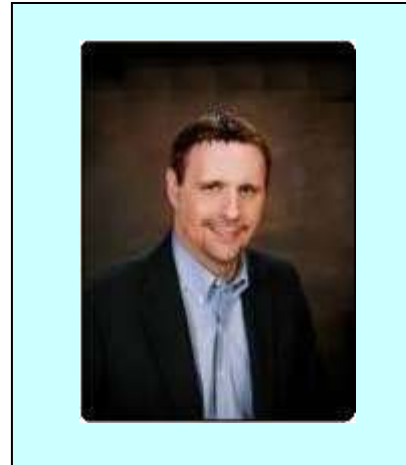See page 4 for details

### Certification Exam
**11/6/2010** – **Augusta State University**

## Members and Friends Spotlight



Joe Knick and Larry Leach at the AACEI-CSRA August Dinner Meeting

## Join us at the next AACEI-CSRA Dinner Meeting September 30, 2010



**Tony Gilman
Director, Project Information Management Department, WGI**
**"URS Information Management and Document Control"**

*See page 3 for details*

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

## 2010 SRNS Corporate Sponsorships

SRNS is sponsoring the AACEI 2010 annual membership fee for seven SRNS employees. Please welcome our new members:
Orval Bradt, Andrea Still, Rodney Riggins, Wendy Peak, Edward Macleod, Arturo Corral & Catherine Tarwater.

## President's Corner

**"Quality pays in increased profits, productivity and customer acceptance."** according to our August meeting keynote speaker, **Vince Kramer**, of E-Z-Go, a Textron Corporation.  Vince provided us his perspective of planning and quantifying the effects of quality and cost impacts in a manufacturing environment.

**Kathy Roberson
AACEI-CSRA
Section President**

*Meet our new Web Master!*

A big welcome to our new Web Master – **Sarah Mazul**! Sarah re-vamped the AACEI-CSRA web page, and is now looking at re-organizing our Section's whole communication architecture.  She will be assisting **Steve Gross**, the AACEI-CSRA's Communications Director. Thank you Sarah!

**Sarah Mazul**

Space is filling up quickly for the upcoming EVP Workshop.  Please let either **Jim Hammond** or me know if you would like to reserve a seat.  We have changed the format of the workshop, to include 2 full days of instruction so that everyone locally receives the same benefit and material that we provide at the Annual AACEI Conference Workshops.  Our workshop will take place on consecutive Fridays.  See page 4 for details.

Good news!  AACEI is providing us more opportunities to sponsor certification exams this year. Jim Hammond, AACEI-CSRA Director of Education will be announcing several future exam dates.  We will hold the exams at the Augusta State University.

If you are going to the CSRA College Night at the Augusta Civic Center on 9/14/10, stop by and visit **Myron Berry** and the rest of us at the AACEI-CSRA sponsored booth!

*Be sure to mark your calendars!  November 11th is the AACEI-CSRA Annual Membership Appreciation Night!*

### AACEI-CSRA Board of Directors

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For the latest news from AACEI Headquarters, please visit the website.
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## AACEI-CSRA Dinner Meeting
## September 30, 2010

**Please RSVP by COB 9/27/10 to either:**
**Laurel H. Wilson, 208-0656,**
**laurel.wilson@srs.gov**
**Kathlene M. Roberson, 208-8727,**
**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**

**Tony Gilman**
**Director, Project Information**
**Management Department, WGI**
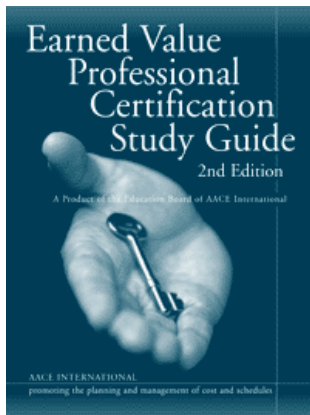## "URS Information Management
## and Document Control"

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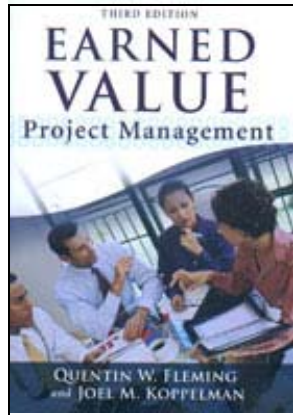
# AACEI–CSRA Section is offering a 2-day EVP Workshop

**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

**October 1 & 8, 2010**
*Earned Value Professional (EVP) Certification Workshop*
Augusta State University
Augusta, Georgia

PDUs: 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)

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**
**Kathlene Roberson, EVP; (803)208-8727,**
**email: kathlene.roberson@srs.gov**

*(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.*
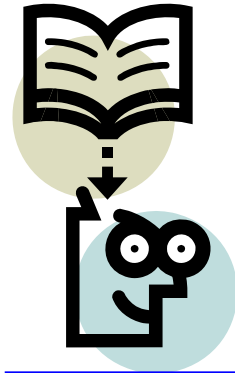
## EVMS QUIZ

**Bakers trade bread recipes on a knead-to-know basis. How about some EVMS questions for which you might need-to- know the answers.**

1. Earned Value Management (EVM) is a systematic approach to the integration and measurement of cost, schedule, and technical (scope) accomplishments on a project or task. It provides both the government and contractors the ability to examine detailed schedule information, critical program and technical milestones, and cost data.

A) True
B) False

The answers will be provided next month.

2. One common way to compute Estimate at Completion (EAC) is to take the project budgeted-at-completion and:

A) divide it by the schedule performance index
B) multiply it by the schedule performance index
C) multiply it by the cost performance index
D) divide it by the cost performance index

3. During the six month update on a 1 year, $50,000 project, the analysis shows that the PV is $25,000; the EV is $20,000 and the AC is $15,000. What can be determined from these figures?

A) The project is behind schedule and over cost
B) The project is ahead of schedule and under cost
C) The project is ahead of schedule and over cost
D) The project is behind schedule and under cost

### And some information you may never really need.

Google & Yahoo – Who would have thought?

The words *googol* (the number one with a hundred zeros after it) and *googolplex*  (ten raised to the power of one googol) were invented in 1938 by Milton Sirotta, the nine-year-old nephew of mathematician Edward Kasner. Two Google searches use enough energy to boil a kettle of water.

The word *yahoo*, meaning a "brute in human form" comes from *Gulliver's Travels*. Yahoos eschewed reason for the sake of vice and materialism.
In Gulliver's Travels, published in 1726, Jonathan Swift described Mars's two moons. Mars does indeed have two moons, Phobos and Deimos, but they weren't discovered until 1877, nearly 150 years after the novel was written.

The above was from "Are You Kidding Me", published by MJF Books, 2009

## Highlights from the August Dinner Meeting

E-Z-GO was founded in Augusta, GA in 1954 and was acquired by Textron in 1960. Textron Corporation includes Bell Helicopter, Cessna Co., Jacobsen, Kautex & Greenlee Co.

E-Z-Go produces a variety of golf carts, small "golf cart" like industrial vehicles as well as Low-Speed Vehicles (LSVs)

Vince Kramer did an excellent job of describing for us the state-of-the-art in Quality: The Economics of Quality, The Goals of a Quality Cost System, How to Manage Quality Costs, Prevention Costs, Appraisal Costs, Failure Costs and Quality Improvement.

**"Quality pays in increased profits, productivity and customer acceptance."**

**Vince Kramer
Supplier Quality Engineering
E-Z-Go, A Textron Company.**
*"The Cost of Quality"*