



Central Savannah River Section

Mark your Calendars:

UPCOMING AACEI-CSRA SECTION MEETINGS

5/27/10 Joint Meeting with PMI, Rhoda Allen
6/27-30/10 Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Certification Exams

6/26/10 – At the Annual Meeting
7/10/10 – Augusta State University
11/6/10 – Augusta State University

Members and Friends Spotlight



AACEI Monthly Dinner Meeting May 27, 2010(Thursday)



Rhoda Allen
Senior Certified IBM Project Manager –
“Winning Escalations –
How to Help Stakeholders &
How to Build Partnerships”

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: <http://www.aacei.org/PortalTools/Login.cfm> 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.



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President's Corner



Kathy Roberson
AACEI-CSRA
Section President

Congratulations to our incoming 2010-2011 AACEI-CSRA Section Board of Directors!

Please welcome our newest Board members, **Laurel Wilson**. As Programs Director, Laurel will be working hard to bring you a variety of interesting speakers and topics for this year's dinner meetings. **Steve Gross** will continue as our hardworking Communications Director, providing you with the monthly newsletters, workshop, and meeting announcements and **Jim Hammond** will continue as the Education Director, working on setting up the fall line-up of workshops. As Membership Director, **Gary Bunker** will be reaching out to new members in the community. As our Treasurer, **Myron Berry** will keep us all in line, budgeting and balancing of the Section's financial records. **Joe Knick** will continue as our Marketing Director, **Ronny McIver** will support the Section as our Section's past president, and **Asoka Pillai** will continue as the Director for Region 3!

We encourage your support in several volunteer opportunities this year, including the sponsoring of our booth at the CSRA College Night in September, and judging the Future City competition in January. We are also beginning dialogue with one of the local universities to establish an AACEI-CSRA student chapter! All three of these upcoming activities are very rewarding experiences in giving back to the young people in our community. We are also planning for the Annual Members Appreciation Night in November. More details to follow in future newsletters!

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Dinner Meeting – May 27, 2010 Combined PMI Savannah River Chapter & AACEI-CSRA Chapter

Please RSVP by COB 5/24/10 to:
Surendra Gupta, surendra.gupta@srs.gov
Peter Delorme, peterdelorma@att.net

6:15 p.m. Registration and Networking
6:45 p.m. Leadership Forum
7:00 p.m. Dinner
7:30 - 8:30 p.m. Presentation

Cost:
Members - \$25 per person
Member & Guest - \$40
Non-Members - \$30 per person
Guests/Spouses are welcome
(Checks payable to PMI-SR)

PDU: 2 PDUs

Location:
Augusta Marriott (Downtown)
2, 10th Street,
Augusta, GA
(706) 722-8900



Rhoda Allen
Senior Certified IBM Project Manager
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How to Build Partnerships”

Professional Profile

Quality and results oriented Information Technology professional with 29 years of progressive project/program management and Telco Information Technology technical experience combined with excellent speaking, teaching, leading, and facilitating skills as well as strong interpersonal skills. Proven leader in executive interface roles with global contract deliverables management expertise. Established goal oriented professional in structured and unstructured environments. Committed to excellence in Information Technology Project Management and Quality Management.

Educational Background

M.B.A. Management, Georgia State University, March 1980
B.B.A. Health Administration, Georgia State University, June 1975
A.A. Accounting/Economics, Floyd Junior College, June 1972
Post Graduate work Finance and Applied Philosophy



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CERTIFICATION EXAM CALENDAR

Upcoming Certification Exam Dates for the CSRA

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

7/10/10 Certification Exams – Augusta State Univ.
Deadlines have passed to sign up.

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

**AACEI Annual Meeting Update: General Peter Pace,
USMC (Ret.) is the Keynote Speaker**

Predicting the Future can be Tricky

But we can try to prepare with training and skill development that will be needed in the future.

The Electric Light

“When the Paris Exhibition closes electric light will close with it and no more will be heard of it.”

---Erasmus Wilson (Professor at Oxford University), 1878

The Phonograph

“The phonograph... is not of any commercial value”

---Thomas Alva Edison (inventor of the phonograph), remark to his assistant, Sam Insull, c. 1880

The Telephone

“That’s an amazing invention, but who would ever want to use one of them?”

---Rutherford B. Hayes (President of the United States), after participating in a trial telephone conversation between Washington and Philadelphia, 1876

The Radio

“The radio craze ...will die out in time.”

---Thomas Alva Edison (American scientist and inventor), 1922

The Computer

“There’s no reason for any individual to have a computer in their home”

---Ken Olsen (President of Digital Equipment Corporation), Convention of the World Future Society in Boston, 1977

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Highlights from the April Dinner Meeting

Dave's presentation was based on a list of
"Life's Lessons"



Lyden D. (Dave) Olson
Deputy Project Manager and Operations
Savannah River Remediation

- #1 – Watch what you step in.
- #2 – How will I explain it this time.
- #3 – Maytag repairman, where are you?
- #4 – I'm sure it works, it's been 5 years since...
- #5 – Show me the money.
- #6 – Survivor meets amazing grace.
- #7 – Too many hands in the cookie jar.
- #8 – But it worked in the parking lot.
- #9 - Ready, Fire, Aim.
- #10 – Court TV
- #11 – Make up your mind already.
- #12 – Put me in coach, I'm ready to play.
- #13 – It cost what?
- #14 – I can't believe you said that.
- #15 – Slow down already.



If that sounds intriguing,
it was.
Now if only we knew how to
win escalations. Come out to
the May 27th dinner to find out.



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

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