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(Left-front) September Guest Speaker Wade Martin, AVS

And what did you miss last month by not being at our first membership meeting for the new program year?

You missed catching up on what your fellow Section members have been up to since our last meeting in May. Some have faced job changes, out of town assignments for several and you missed Mr. Wade Martin, AVS of U.S. Cost speaking on "Incorporating Anti-Terrorism Force Protection Requirements into Valve Engineering Studies".

Be a part of the October meeting. Make your RSVP this week!!!

NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Wednesday, October 13, 2004

6:00 – 6:30 PM – Social

6:30 – 8:15 PM - Dinner/Business/Program

RSVP to Atlanta Section Communication Director by October 12

Cross Creek Café

1221 Cross Creek Parkway
Atlanta, Georgia 30327
404-351-1550
www.crosscreekcafe.com

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

September got it all started. We have survived the transition from last years' Board to your present Board of Directors, heralded a new meeting time and place, as explained in the July and August newsletters, and we have set some ambitious goals for the year ahead.

Now all we need is you!

My reoccurring message this year is that the Atlanta Section is not a day job at a corporation; we are part of a non-profit organization dedicated to advancing knowledge and professionalism in cost engineering. We need your ideas and your support to carry out these ideas. Your input on everything from choice of meeting day, location, guest speaker topic, fund raising ideas to increase our scholarship fund or anything that you believe will make the Atlanta Section bigger and better, is always most welcome. As the Atlanta Section grows, so do we all as members as well as the Atlanta Section growing as we as members grow.

In past years we have tried surveys to feel the pulse of the Section, with the modern advantage of email, neither fuss nor muss should get in the way of contacting any Board member with your suggestions. Better yet, bring your ideas and support to a membership meeting.

Looking forward to seeing you on October 13 at the Cross Creek Cafe.

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******* 2004-2005 PROGRAM SCHEDULE *******

Monthly Meetings

| Date | Speaker | Organization | Topic |
|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| September 8, 2004 | Wade Martin | US Cost | Value Engineering |
| October 13, 2004 | Mark Rypel | Georgia Retaining Walls, Inc. | Estimating |
| November 10, 2004 | Pete Bredehoeft | CH2MHill | Atlanta Sewage Project |
| December 8, 2004 | N/A | N/A | AACE Atlanta Section Holiday Social |
| January 12, 2005 | Forrest White | Heery International | SPLOST Program, Forsyth County, GA |
| February 9, 2005 | TBD | Georgia Power | Environmental Care |
| March 9, 2005 | | TDT | MHJ Int'l Terminal |
| April 13, 2005 | Dr. Khalid Siddiqi | Southern Polytechnic University | Cost Management/Cost Engineering |
| May 11, 2005 | David Buford | Alpha-Omega Visual Systems | 3D Time, Cost and Asset Management |

October Guest Speaker
Mark Rypel
Georgia Retaining Walls, Inc.
Topic: Estimating

Mr. Rypel will discuss construction types and cost implications of piling and shoring systems. The presentation will cover a multitude of parameters that affect shoring costs.

NEW MEETING LOCATION

The meeting location for the 2004-2005 program year is the *Cross Creek Café* at 1221 Cross Creek Parkway, Atlanta on the 2nd Wednesday of each month September thru May excluding December. ***Reservations are NOT mandatory but are strongly requested to assist in making proper arrangements for space and service.*** Please RSVP to: **Chris Schamel @ 404-946-2446 or cschamel@heery.com**. If you were not planning on coming to a meeting, but late in the afternoon you find you can attend, do not hesitate to attend. **Please come to the meeting.**

Directions to *Cross Creek Café* can be found on their website – www.crosscreekcafe.com.

Alternate directions traveling from downtown Atlanta: *Cross Creek Café* is located just north of the I-75/I-85 intersection at Brookwood/Atlantic Station – Take I-75 North to exit 252B (Howell Mill Road). Turn right at the exit of I-75 and Howell Mill Road and travel 0.5 miles north on Howell Mill Road to Collier Road. Turn left (west) at the first traffic signal onto Collier Road. Follow Collier Road, crossing under I-75, approximately 1.3 miles until you reach Defoors Ferry Road. Just past the Citgo Station on Collier Road, bear right onto Defoors Ferry Road and travel 0.4 mile to Bohler Road. (This is a ‘T’ intersection with speed bumps) Turn right on Bohler Road and travel approximately 1.0 mile to Cross Creek Parkway. Turn right on Cross Creek Parkway and the Café will be on your left.

Reminder: Sign In at Meetings for Certification Credit

The sign-in log, available at Section meetings, is the official record of attendance and is submitted to HQ for attendance credits for certified members. Don't forget to sign in

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**Congratulations to the
Atlanta Section's newest
Certified Cost Engineer –**

**Ms. Christine Gallo
*Jordan, Jones and Goulding***

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Today's business requires more and more from every employee. The professionals of today have to provide a wide variety of skills that were not required -- even a few years ago.

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to your profession...
to your career...
to yourself!

“You can't take more out of a bag than what's in it.”
Irish Proverb

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Want to help the Atlanta Section? Send us your business card or logo and sponsor a monthly issue of the Atlanta Section for only \$25. The money will be used to offset our website cost with the remainder of any money going to our scholarship program. There are only seven more opportunities so please act now. Contact Chris Schamel @ 404-946-2446 or email cschamel@heery.com

You missed your chance for October

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