

Atlanta Section



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Atlanta Section Meeting Schedule 2006 - 2007

	Speaker	Organization	Topic
September 19, 2006	Joe Bruscia CCE	Bovis Lend Lease	Costs of Construction Safety
October 17, 2006	Steve Delk	U.S. Cost	"Tying BIM (Building Information Models) to Estimating"
November 21, 2006	Ray Michaels	Baston Cook Development	Mixed Use Developments
December 19, 2006		Sponsor Needed	<i>Holiday Party</i>
January 16, 2007	Robert Cribb	Bellsouth	TBA
February 20, 2007	Reed Thomas	R.J. Griffin	LEEDS Costs
March 20, 2007	Jared Carlson	U.S. Cost	"Seamless Scheduling"
April 17, 2007			
May 15, 2007			

NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING

October 17, 2006

6:00 – 6:30 PM – Social

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

RSVP* by Friday, October 13
to Chris Schamel at
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Cross Creek Café

www.crosscreekcafe.com

54TH ANNUAL MEETING - ATLANTA 2010

**2006 – 2007
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President's Message

We would like to extend our appreciation and thanks to **Joe Bruscia CCE** for the very informative presentation that he gave at the September meeting regarding the cost of safety on a construction project.

Prior to the start of the September meeting, we concluded the second Board of Directors meeting. We discussed the following topics which might be of interest to you:

Certification Workshops and Exam

The workshops will be held on October 28th, November 4th, 11th, and 18th from 9am to 12pm at the office of *Project, Time & Cost*. **John Larson PE, CCE, Scott Thompson CCC, Albert Kwong CCE, Jay Carson, Ron Cagle CCC, Chris Watson, Luther Hill**, and Neil Wilhelm have volunteered to be instructors at the workshops and we extend our appreciation to them for their efforts. The exam will be hosted by *Project, Time & Cost* on December 2nd.

Scholarships

Subsequent to the meeting, the Board of Directors voted to increase the contribution for the AAACE Atlanta Section Scholarship by \$100, for a total contribution of \$1,100 this year. The reason for this is that the paperwork that we had to submit to HQ for their budget was prior to the BOD's decision to increase the scholarship to take advantage of the maximum contribution of \$500 by HQ. This issue should not occur again. The total scholarship this year will be \$1,500!

I recently received some posters (five pounds worth to be exact) from the Executive Director. The first one commemorates the 50th Anniversary of AAACE International, and the other is intended to catch the attention of people entering the profession and needing an organization (hopefully AAACE) that can bring value to their careers.

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The Executive Director has requested that we ask our members to place the posters in libraries and high school/college career centers to give more visibility to what AACEI has to offer. I will be bringing the posters to the next meeting to distribute to all participants.

In closing, I hope that you all will turn out for the October meeting to hear from **Steve Delk**, from U.S. Cost about BIM's (*Building Information Models*), and how this will have an affect of how we estimate the costs of projects in the "near" future.

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Member-Get-a-Member

To Help make the AACEI and Atlanta Section bigger and better, please help the Atlanta Section recruit a new member. There is strength in numbers and a strong Atlanta Section benefits AACEI and all cost control professionals.

The simple fact is, big organizations have more members because they *ask* more people to become members. The way to recruit people is to talk to them, one-by-one. So come on – ask your coworkers, business associates, or even your boss to join.

It's a membership that easily pays for itself!

AACEI's mission is to promote professionalism and excellence in total cost management. Successful projects don't just happen, especially not in today's environment of complexity and high costs. Delivering a project on time and on budget, free of disputes and injuries, requires an integrated, managed approach to every phase from concept through design and construction to completion. Professional cost control personnel help deliver this value and AACEI helps these professionals work more effectively.

Thank you for helping AACEI to continue to grow as the premier association for cost Control Professionals.

Guest Speaker – October 2006

Our scheduled guest speaker is Steve Delk of *U.S. Cost* with a topic of “Tying BIM (Building Information Models) to Estimating”.

U.S. COST provides cost management and project control services and software for capital projects of all types to owners, designers and contractors. From offices throughout the United States and overseas, our professionals deliver the technical service support and software to help insure the projects are delivered on time and within budget.

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ATLANTA SECTION CERTIFICATION WORKSHOP 9AM – NOON, OCTOBER 28, NOVEMBER 4, 11 AND 18



Planning on taking the Certification Exam and would like some help? All interested individuals are invited. Membership in AACEI and/or the Atlanta Section is not required. The Workshop is free. This Workshop will be held at the offices of AACEI Corporate Sponsor, *Project Time & Cost*, Paces Ferry Road at I-285.

Please contact Atlanta Section Certification Director Bob Hannan CCE at bob.hannan@ptcinc.com or 770-444-9799

October 28, 2006 (9:00am – 12:00pm)

Part IV – Economic Analysis
Presenter: John Larson, CCE & Scott Thompson, CCC
- Certification Exam Overview (30min)
- Practice Test (1hr 45min)
- Break (15min)
- Discuss Answers (1hr)

November 4, 2006 (9:00am – 12:00pm)

Part II – Cost Estimating & Control
Presenter: Albert Kwong, CCE & Jay Carson, CCC
- Practice Test (1hr 45min)
- Break (15min)
- Discuss Answers (1hrs)

November 11, 2006 (9:00am – 12:00pm)

Part III – Project Management
Presenter: Ron Cagle, CCC & Chris Watson, CCE
- Practice Test (1hr 45min)
- Break (15min)
- Discuss Answers (1hrs)

November 18, 2006 (9:00am – 12:00pm)

Part I – Supporting Knowledge & Skills
Presenters: Luther Hill, CCC & Neil Wilhelm, CCE
- Practice Test (1hr 45min)
- Break (15min)
- Discuss Answers (1 hrs)

Please post or forward this information to encourage all interested individuals to attend



Your Atlanta Section Board of Directors meeting on September 19



(1 to r) September Guest Sparker **Joe Bruscia CCE VMP**, of *Bovis Lend Lease*, shares a moment with Section Regional Director **Albert Kwong CCE** and **Gary Kersey CCE**.

September Membership Meeting In Review

On Tuesday, September 19, the Atlanta Section kicked off the 2006-2007 program year with our membership meeting at *Cross Creek Café*. Earlier in the evening, the Section Board of Directors held its second meeting of the term so all are focused on the goals for the year.

Section President **Don Green CCM, CCC, Leed® AP** announced the Section will conduct a Certification Workshop on Saturdays, October 28, November 4, 11 and 18. The workshop, open to all interest individuals and at no cost, will be held in the offices of Corporate Sponsor *Project Time & Cost*. Any interested individuals in the Workshop should contact Certification Director **Bob Hannan CCE** (bob.hannan@ptcinc.com) for additional information. The Atlanta Section will also be a host for the 4th Quarter Certification Exam on December 2, 2006.

Section Membership Director **R. Bruce Dixon CCC** introduced a Membership Initiative with the goal of having each current Section member recruit at least one new member this year. There is strength in numbers, and a strong Atlanta Section benefits AACEI and all cost control professionals. With the 2006 Annual Meeting announcement that **Atlanta** has been selected as host city for the **2010 Annual Meeting**, the more Atlanta Section members the better. The Initiative letter highlights advantages of membership and website information.

Our Guest Speaker for the evening was **Joe Bruscia CCE VMP** with *Bovis Lend Lease*. The topic for the evening was “Costs of Construction Safety”. Did you know that five construction workers are killed in the United States every workday? Did you know that falling is the number one cause of construction related accidents? Come to the next Membership Meeting and find out something you may not have known before.

Section Presidents' Calendar

October 2006

<p>Monday, October 2 Friday, October 6 Friday, October 6 Friday, October 6 Saturday, October 7 Monday, October 9</p> <p>Saturday, October 14 Friday, October 20</p>	<p>Early Fee Deadline for Certification Registration (4th Quarter) Send detailed section agenda to Regional Director Submittal deadline for December issue of the CE Journal AACE International Fall Board of Directors Meeting, Morgantown, WV AACE International Fall Board of Directors Meeting, Morgantown, WV Deadline for notifying Headquarters if section wishes to host the winter (Q4) Certification exam Collect Scholarship applications, determine eligibility and judge Deadline for winter (Q4) certification exam registration</p>
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November 2006

<p>Monday, November 6 Monday, November 13</p> <p>Tuesday, November 14</p>	<p>Submittal deadline for January issue of the CE Journal Identify section members to recommend to Nominating Committee (Past Presidents) for Association Awards Scholarship applications and "Top 4" list due to Headquarters</p>
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December 2006

<p>Friday, December 1 Friday, December 1 Saturday, December 2 Wednesday, December 6 Friday, December 15</p> <p>Friday, December 15 Sunday, December 31</p>	<p>Begin gathering Fellow nomination information Remind section members to renew 2007 AACE International membership December (Q4) certification examination Submittal deadline for February issue of the CE Journal Submit competitive scholarship applications and results of judging to Headquarters Section request deadline for matching funds scholarships Annual membership dues renewal deadline</p>
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This excellent reference contains 97 technical papers featured at the 2006 AACE International Annual Meeting in Las Vegas, NV, covering topics such as:

- Adverse Conditions
- Claims and Dispute Resolution
- Cost and Schedule Control
- Professional Development
- Estimating
- Earned Value Management
- IT/IM in Project and Cost Management
- Owner Issues
- Project Management
- Planning and Scheduling
- Decision and Risk Management
- Skills and Knowledge of Cost Engineering
- Total Cost Management



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SAVE THE DATE!

AACE International's 51st Annual Meeting

Walk the Line to TCM!

**Gaylord Opryland Hotel
Nashville, Tennessee**

Sunday, July 15, 2007
thru
Wednesday, July 18, 2007

For additional information see AACEI homepage @ www.aacei.org

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 51st Annual Meeting in Nashville, Tennessee, U.S.A.

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Reminder: Sign In at Meetings for Recertification 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

MEETING LOCATION

The meeting location for the 2006-2007 program year is the *Cross Creek Café* (www.crosscreekcafe.com) at 1221 Cross Creek Parkway, Atlanta on the 3rd Tuesday 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 on that afternoon you find you can attend, do not hesitate to attend. **Please come to the meeting.**