



NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hope everyone is home safe and recovered from a long HOT! summer. Personally, during two particularly long hot weekends this summer, I had an opportunity to attend a Boy Scouts of America (BSA) Wood Badge Program at The Bert Adams Scout Reservation in Porterdale, GA. Lord Baden Powell (the founder of Boy Scouting) taught the first Wood Badge Program at Gilwell Park, England back in 1919. The program has evolved over the years into the BSA's "Wood Badge for the 21st Century", considered to be one of the premier leadership training programs in the world. I learned a great deal from taking part in this program and I have another 18 months to go in order to finish. I would like to share 5 key elements of the program because I think they say a lot about, not only the Boy Scouts, but being a good leader in general:



1. Bringing The Vision to Life
2. Leading to Make a Difference
3. Tools of the Trade
4. Living the Values
5. Models for Success

As I think about the goals of "Wood Badge for the 21st Century" Program I wonder how they apply to Us, The Georgia Chapter of ACI. What is our Vision? How can we, as a group, support that vision? Are we leaders in our industry and are we making a difference? Are we utilizing our local chapter resources, national chapter resources, and networking opportunities (i.e. tools of the trade) to build a stronger chapter for the betterment of the concrete industry in Georgia? What are our values, and do we live them everyday in our professional conduct and careers? The Georgia Chapter has a fairly good model for success already, being an "ACI Excellent Chapter" 15 years running is not a bad record. However, one can't help but ask, is this current model good enough or do we need to tweak things a little to make it even better?

What are your thoughts?

Wayne M. Wilson, P.E.
Georgia Chapter ACI, President

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 13, 2007
 12:30 p. m. – 4:30 p. m.
 ACI Field Technician Training
 GC&PA Headquarters
 Tucker, Georgia
 Registered Persons Only

September 21, 2007–12:15 p.m.
 “Sustainability of Concrete and its Role in the LEED Program”
 Ms. Erin Ashley, Ph.D
 Sheraton Buckhead Hotel
 Atlanta, Georgia
 (See Page 4 for details)

September 22, 2007
 ACI Grade I Field Tech Exam
 7:45 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
 Ready Mix USA, Inc. Decatur, GA
 Registered persons only!

October 11, 2007
 12:30 p. m. – 4:30 p. m.
 ACI Field Technician Training
 GC&PA Headquarters
 Tucker, Georgia
 Registered Persons Only

October 11-12, 2007-8:00 a.m.
 ACI Concrete Construction Inspector
 Inspector-in-Training Class
 GC&PA Headquarters
 Tucker, Georgia

October 14-18, 2007
 ACI Fall 2007 Convention
 Fajardo, Puerto Rico
 Go to www.concrete.org for more
 Information and registration

October 20, 2007
 ACI Grade I Field Tech Exam
 7:45 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
 Heidelberg Lab–Doraville, GA
 Registered persons only!

October 23, 2007
 ACI FALL GOLF TOURNAMENT
 Indian Creek Golf Club
 10400 By Pass Road
 Covington, GA 30014
 Sign up on our Web Page

V. D. SKIPPER MEMORIAL SEMINAR

We had approximately 25 members in attendance for our annual Virgil D. Skipper Seminar on June 29, 2007. We heard an excellent program on “Producing High Performance Concrete with Locally Available Materials”. Thanks to each speaker who gave us some wonderful insight on local concrete making materials; including Greg Arwood (BASF) on Chemical Admixtures, Stuart Malley (Vulcan) on Aggregates, Wayne Wilson (Holcim) on Cementitious Materials, and Eric Campbell (Propex) on Fibers. We also heard from John Love (GC&PA) who talked briefly on Specifying High performance Concrete and John Cook (Thomas) who covered Ready-Mix Concrete Design and Control. Again, thanks to all of our speakers, Nick Maloof (our Past President who put the program together) and each of our members who were in attendance. Any suggestions for the 2008 Skipper????



WELCOME NEW MEMBER (S)!

WALTER BELL
 CCFS Concrete Testing & Flooring Inspections

LAURENCE SHAVERS
 Jordan Jones and Goulding

JAY RUSSELL
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REVIEW OF SPRING CONVENTION

Submitted by Mel Galinat

Co-Chairman & Treasurer, ACI Atlanta Convention Committee

The August issue of Concrete International covers our Spring Convention very well. They note we had a record attendance for a Spring meeting of 1581 attendees, which included 255 students! The overall record attendance was achieved last Fall in Denver with 1622. At the Opening Session on Sunday former Chapter President Martin Caudra accepted an award on behalf of Uzun & Case Engineers for “advancing concrete applications through the courageous use of new design applications, innovation, and ‘hands-on’ techniques”. This was the ACI Distinguished Achievement Award. Both Uzun & Case and Brown & Caldwell were nominated for this Award.

On Tuesday the Contractor’s Day luncheon was sold out! Here Chapter member Harry Moats gave a presentation on “Decorative Concrete-It Doesn’t Have to be Flat Any-more”. This was followed by a panel discussion on the topic, “Avoiding Conflicts Between Contractors and Engineers”. The off-site Technical Session at the Southface Eco Office Building was a big hit. The ICF construction and live placement of pervious concrete were featured. Tuesday evening was the Concrete Mixer held at the Georgia Aquarium. This was a big deal and memorable to all that attended. Of the total budget for the Convention of \$195,400., the Mixer cost us over \$155,000.! Fortunately all the other budget items were “in the black” so we only exceeded the budget by about \$4,000.

Chapter Convention revenue was almost \$159,000.,which came from Sponsors, \$102,000; Exhibits, \$49,200; and Guests, \$7,800; so in summary we spent \$40,000. more than we took in. However the Chapter maintains funds specifically for Conventions. We liquidated CD’s in the amount of \$49,600. to cover this shortfall. In retrospect we did OK, but we could always do better. Thankfully the Conventions only come about every ten years!

Notable News

- President, Wayne Wilson & Vice-President, Frank Lennox to attend National ACI Chapter Roundtable in North Charleston, November 29-30, 2007. This is an International Forum where ACI Chapters from all over the world gather hear updates from ACI National and to talk about recent local chapter activities.
- The Golf Committee has made a deal with The Indian Creek Golf Club in Covington, GA to hold our annual fundraising Golf Tournament on October 23, 2007. We will meet for Check-in and Breakfast at 8:00am to be followed by a “Shamble” start at 9:00am. A shamble start is where everybody tees off and you pick the best drive, then everyone plays their own ball to completion of the hole. The score is for the two best balls on each hole. Information and registration information can be found on our web site at www.georgiachapteraci.org.





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SEPTEMBER MEETING NOTICE

Date: **Friday, September 28, 2007**

Time: *Registration—11:30 a.m.*
Luncheon—12:15 p.m.

Location: *Sheraton Buckhead Hotel*
3405 Lenox Road, NE
Atlanta, Georgia

Speaker: **Ms. Erin Ashley, Ph.D**
Director of Codes and Sustainability
National Ready Mixed Concrete Association
Elkridge, MD

Program: "Sustainability of Concrete and its Role in
the LEED Program"

Erin will be giving us an overview on sustainability and how we can get more concrete usage in LEED buildings. The Atlanta Mayor, Ms. Shirley Franklin has commented several times that she wants more LEED buildings in Atlanta. This program will be a good lead for getting that done.

Price: **\$25.00 - Pre-registered**
\$10.00 - Students \$40.00 - Walk-ins and No-shows

RSVP: To RSVP, please register on line: Georgiachapteraci.org or call "Sam" @ 770.455.7274 or Diane @ 770-621-9324 **BEFORE 12:00 Noon on WEDNESDAY, September 19, 2007.**

Note: *If you fail to call in prior to the deadline, or you do not show for the luncheon, you will be charged \$40.00.*

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