

May 2010

Upcoming ACEC/NC Events & Activities

Engineering Day at the Legislature

June 8, 2010
8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Raleigh, NC

Summer Conference

August 6 - 8, 2010
Holiday Inn Resort
Wrightsville Beach, NC

Transportation Conference

October 12, 2010
7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Jane S. McKimmon Center
Raleigh, NC

...more details to come!

Positions Available

WSP SELLS, a leading transportation and infrastructure engineering firm, is looking for a **Transportation Project Manager** to support the growth of our southeast offices. This position is located in our Cary, NC office, with occasional travel to our Mooresville, NC office and locations throughout the Carolinas.

Key responsibilities include:

- Development of project work plans, budgets, and schedules;
- Production of reports and construction plans using a coordinated team approach and;
- Monitoring group assignments, project budgets and schedules;
- Client contact, contracting, and lead tracking;

Requirements are:

- BA/BS in Civil Engineering;
- Minimum of 10 years of progressive experience;
- Highly proficient with Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, PowerPoint), CADD and traffic simulation software;
- Strong interpersonal com-

ACEC/NC's New Website Has Arrived!

Our new website is here! The ACEC/NC staff has worked hard to make updates and changes that make your lives easier! Some of the changes you will notice include the following:

- **Calendar:** Events are shown in a calendar format for easy viewing. If you don't want to view the events in a calendar, you can choose one of two other views. You'll also be able to export events straight to your Outlook calendar...you'll never miss an important ACEC/NC event again!
- **Event Registration:** You'll be able to register and pay for an event through the website. Also, instead of having to wait for a receipt, these real-time transactions will provide you with a receipt immediately!
- **Online Forums:** These forums will allow you to post information, ask questions, and stay informed of what is going on with our committees, as well as your peers in the engineering industry.
- **PDH Tracking:** Use your account to keep track of the events you attended, meaning you can track the number of PDH credits you earn each year! With that information readily available, you'll have fewer questions and constant knowledge of where you stand.

The ACEC/NC staff is very excited everything the new website can do. Let us know what you think!

Summer Conference: Treasure Island

The Summer Conference will be held at the Holiday Inn Resort in Wrightsville Beach, NC from Friday, August 6th to Sunday, August 8th. Book your bunking quarters now to receive the discounted rate of \$259 ocean view and \$239 harbor view. Reservations must be made by **July 6th!** Call the Holiday Inn Resort at 877-330-5050 and ask for the ACEC/NC rate to reserve your room. Please note that the hotel is almost completely sold out except for our hold of rooms so be certain to mention our group hold rate and make your reservations before July 6th!! Conference registration forms and full information will be sent to the ACEC/NC Membership via email next week (pricing will be \$240 for ACEC/NC

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Show Your Representatives Where You Stand on the Issues!

Don't miss this COMPLIMENTARY event jointly sponsored by ACEC/NC and PENC. Everyone who registers will be assigned to a member team and given a list of specific legislators to meet with on Engineering Day. During breakfast, learn the latest updates on the issues to be addressed - we'll provide all the information you need to make your visits! [CLICK HERE](#) to register.



ABOVE: ACEC/NC and PENC teams will be visiting this building, NC's General Assembly, on June 8.

AGENDA:

- 8:00a.m. *Registration Open, Breakfast*
Cardinal Club
150 Fayetteville Street, 28th Floor,
Raleigh, NC 27601
- 8:30a.m. *Overview of Days Activities & Key-note Address*
(Keynote Speakers To Be Announced)
- 9:00a.m. *Joint Member Briefing on Issues*
(Member "team" assignments and issues will be sent out prior to the event).
- 9:30a.m. *Break Out Briefing Sessions*
- 10:15a.m. *Head to Legislative Complex for Visits*
- 10:30a.m. *Appointments and Visits with Legislators*
-Members Deliver Issue Packets to Legislators
-Teams have lunch (the General Assembly cafeteria is sometimes the best place to "bump" into your legislators)
-Visit the Chambers of the House and Senate while in session
- 3:00p.m. *Approximate Ending Time*

munication skills;

- Ability to build and maintain strong working relationships with engineering team, including clients;
- Ability to effectively manage time, multi-task, and attentive to details;
- Self motivated with the ability to work independently and as part of a team.

Candidates must clearly document their skills to perform and meet the responsibilities and requirements stated above. Please submit resume, work samples and salary requirements to brian.dehler@wspells.com

No phone calls please. WSP SELLS is an equal opportunity employer.

Mulkey Engineers & Consultants is seeking a **Marketing Coordinator** for our Cary, NC office. This position will be responsible for developing and preparing proposals to include editing, formatting, meeting graphic standards and ensuring adequate QA/QC of materials. This individual will also be responsible for maintaining project information in Vision software, customizing government forms, updating resumes and assisting with presentations. The ideal candidate must have a degree in Marketing, Communications, Business or English or applicable work experience as well as a proficiency in Microsoft Office programs. Knowledge of Deltek Vision, Indesign, and Adobe Suite is preferred. A minimum of 5 years experience in marketing is required, A/E experience a plus.

To apply for this position and learn more about our company, please visit www.mulkeyinc.com.

Mulkey Engineers & Consultants is an Equal Employment Opportunity Employer.

Hipp Engineering & Consulting is actively recruiting to fill contract assignments in the pharmaceutical, biotechnology, and food processing industries. Requirements: Bachelor's degree in engineering or related field; minimum of five years of experience in project engineering and/or project management; experience in pharma/

Reception Honors Rep. Bob Etheridge

ACEC/NC Members and their guests gave a warm welcome to U.S. Representative Bob Etheridge (D-2) on May 17th at a reception thrown in his honor. Despite the rain, attendees gathered at the Flanders Art Gallery in downtown Raleigh to enjoy Southern-inspired hors d'oeuvres from Poole's Diner paired with an impressive selection of wines, beer and flavored sodas. Surrounded by artist Shaun Richards' Crash Study Series and other original art pieces, Representative Etheridge shared one-on-one time with each attendee, often speaking at length about specific issues and getting to know each individual, their firm and what he can do to help support the engineering industry. While addressing the group with gratitude for individual contributions, Etheridge emphasized the importance of education and earnestly praised the work of engineers for their commitment to the safety and well-being of others and the environment. ACEC/NC was thrilled to work with Andrea Bell and the Etheridge Staff to create such a unique and intimate event for our Members and their guests!



ABOVE: Representative Bob Etheridge (center) smiles with ACEC/NC Board member Mike Ray (left) and Board President Bryan Odom.

BELOW: AECOM had a large representation at the event, pictured here with Rep. Etheridge.



Advocacy in Action: Members Visit Washington D.C.

Members visited Washington D.C. on April 28th-29th for Consulting Congress Day. The group enjoyed dinner after an issues briefing and also had group meetings with the NC Delegation and their staff (including Congressman Howard Coble pictured below) to discuss three main topics:

- **Repealing the 3% Withholding Mandate**
Pass legislation to repeal Section 511 and eliminate the 3% withholding mandate. Oppose efforts to broaden the withholding requirement or speed up its implementation.
- **Maximizing Private Sector Innovation**
Oppose efforts – such as the Administration's government contracting guidance and HR 2104 – that restrict the ability of federal and state agencies to contract out for engineering services, and promote policies that maximize the use and innovation of America's engineering industry.
- **An Infrastructure-Based Recovery Agenda**
Congress should move quickly to complete work on multi-year water (S 1005) and aviation (HR 915) bills, and make passage of a six-year, \$450 billion surface transportation bill a priority in 2010.



ABOVE LEFT: Congressman Howard Coble takes a break from discussing the issues to pose with Legislative Committee Chair Jeff Douglas of HDR, Inc.

ABOVE RIGHT: ACEC/NC's group that traveled to Washington D.C. gathers with Congressman Coble.



bio, food processing or other FDA regulated industry. Please email resume in Word format to terry.prince@hipp-usa.com

To have your company's open positions included in the next NC Report, email info@acecnc.org

Member Firms in the News

Davis-Martin-Powell & Associates

Davis-Martin-Powell & Associates, a Triad Civil Engineering and Surveying Firm established in 1965, is pleased to **announce a new Management Team**. Effective immediately, the following personnel will assume new roles at DMP:

Michael Slusher, PE, President: Mr. Slusher will assume direct leadership of the Engineering Group and manage all engineering functions including assignment of projects, technical direction and guidance and client management. Mr. Slusher is a 1989 graduate of Virginia Tech and has been with DMP since 1994.

Robert Davis, Executive Vice-President: Mr. Davis will direct and manage all field related departments including Subsurface Utility Engineering (SUE), Surveying and Construction Management. Mr. Davis has over 28 years experience in the construction industry and has been with DMP for nearly 20 years.

Mark Salter, Vice President and General Manager: Mr. Salter will manage the day to day office operations. Mr. Salter will also manage Utility Coordination and NCDOT Project Development for the firm. Mr. Salter, a University of Texas graduate, has 38 years experience in the industry and has been with DMP since 2008.

Michael Goliber, PE, Business Development Director: Mr. Goliber will manage and direct all business development related activity including: strategic development, marketing, employee motivation and client development and retention. Mr. Goliber is a 1993 graduate of Virginia Tech and has been with DMP since 2001.

The newly establish Board of Directors will include Michael Slusher, Robert Davis and Joe Humble. "With the changing nature of our business and the timely responses necessary to ensure we adequately address our two most important assets, our clients and our employees, we realized these steps were necessary to fulfill our need for a new vision and taking the next step into the future," said Michael Slusher, DMP's newly appointed President.

For more information about Davis-Martin-Powell visit our website at www.dmp-inc.com.

Dewberry

In Chapel Hill, **Donald Reed Burroughs, PE, CEM, CEA**, a principal-in-charge with IES Engineers-Dewberry, Dewberry's mechanical/electrical engineering practice area, has been **promoted to associate vice president**. Burroughs has provided principal oversight on several significant projects, including Audits of Naval & Air Force Medical Facilities - Energy & Water Conservation; and the Duke University Medical Center Pediatric Intensive Care Unit / Intensive Care Nursery / Transitional Care Nursery Expansion and Pediatric Neurosurgery Unit, as well as selected projects under the Mission Hospital Master Facility Plan. Burroughs holds a bachelor's degree in architectural engineering from North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University. He is a member of American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers, Inc. (ASHRAE), and the North Carolina Healthcare Engineers Association, Inc. (NCHCA).

McKim & Creed

Tim Baldwin, PE, Tim Cawood, PLS, Street Lee, PE, and Mark Smith, PE, LEED AP, have been **promoted to senior vice presidents** at McKim & Creed.

In their new roles, Cawood will oversee the company's geomatics (surveying and mapping) services, Lee will be in charge of water and wastewater services, and Smith will manage the development and natural resources business unit. Baldwin will be responsible for business development in the water and wastewater industry.

"These individuals have made significant impacts in their areas of expertise, and we are pleased to recognize and celebrate their accomplishments through this promotion," said Michael Creed, PE, chairman and CEO of McKim & Creed.

Baldwin joined McKim & Creed in 1991 as a project manager. Cawood came to the company in 1985 as a surveyor, and Lee began his association with McKim & Creed in 1986 as a project engineer. In 2005, Smith joined McKim & Creed as the national director of planning and land development.

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Michael Baker Corporation

Michael Baker Corporation announced earlier this month that it has **acquired The LPA Group, Incorporated (LPA)**, a 475-person transportation consulting firm based in Columbia, South Carolina. LPA significantly expands Baker’s presence in the Southeastern U.S. transportation infrastructure market, and broadens the company’s already strong capabilities in the planning, design, program management and construction management of projects in the aviation, highway, bridge, and rail and transit markets. The full text of this release can be viewed on the Internet, visit the following link:

http://www.mbakercorp.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=2241&Itemid=203

S&ME, Inc.

Two long-practicing engineering and environmental firms, mainly serving the Southeast, have joined forces through the **acquisition of Atlanta-based QORE, Inc.** by S&ME, Inc., headquartered in Raleigh.

The acquisition, effective March 1, results from S&ME’s purchase of the assets of QORE, Inc. About 260 former QORE employees joined S&ME, increasing the company’s employment to about 1,000. This staff will work from 28 offices in North Carolina, Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Kentucky, South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia.

Though concentrating heavily in the Southeast, S&ME has completed projects throughout much of the U.S. and in the Caribbean. The combination of the firms will position S&ME as one of the top providers of its services in the Southeast.

Announcement of the acquisition was made in Raleigh by S&ME President Randy Neuhaus, PE. “Critical to our decisions to join forces was seeing the parallel emphasis our firms have placed on safety, engineering integrity, and the responsibility for providing clients with the depth and quality of service they require,” Neuhaus said. “Of course it’s a major expansion for S&ME, and increases our powerhouse lineup of respected professionals to take on today’s emerging engineering and environmental sustainability challenges.” Neuhaus noted that a major part of S&ME’s business approach has been a carefully studied growth strategy. In the past decade S&ME has acquired five companies, but this will be its largest by far.

Stantec

Tyson Graves, P.E., has joined the Raleigh, NC office of Stantec as a **senior traffic engineer**.

Graves has 20 years of transportation engineering and project management experience including roadway design, traffic engineering, and environmental studies. His background also includes specialized experience in traffic control plans, signals, signing, traffic impact studies, capacity analysis, and safety studies.

Prior to joining Stantec, Graves served at another firm as a project manager and as a project engineer with the North Carolina Department of Transportation. A licensed professional engineer, he holds a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering and an MBA, both from North Carolina State University in Raleigh, NC.

Scott Lane, a planning and policy specialist with 20 years of experience, has also joined the Raleigh, North Carolina office of Stantec as a **senior transportation planner**.

Scott has extensive experience in municipal, regional, and national transportation planning and policy development, including tenures as executive director of three Metropolitan Planning Organizations and as principal investigator for North Carolina and federal government transportation-related research programs. Over the course of his career, Scott has been involved with a broad array of transportation issues including roadway and transit planning, bicycle and pedestrian studies, land use forecasting and economic and environmental impacts from transportation projects.

STV/Ralph Whitehead Associates

STV/Ralph Whitehead Associates is pleased to announce that **André Mullins, EI** has joined the firm’s Charlotte Stormwater Group as a **Design Engineer**. Andre has a Bachelor’s degree in Civil Engineering Technology from UNCC.

WK Dickson & Co., Inc.

WK Dickson has recently hired **Jason Kennedy, PE, LEED-AP**, to its Raleigh office. Jason is a professional engineer and LEED accredited practitioner with experience in sustainable land development and site design for educational, health care and public safety facilities.

WK Dickson was also a participant and major financial supporter in the first annual Water for People 5K Run in Charlotte in late May. The firm served as a top level sponsor which helped raise money for a cause that works to build a world where all people have access to safe drinking water and sanitation, and where no one suffers or dies from a water or sanitation related disease. WK Dickson’s financial and volunteer support helps develop innovative and long-lasting solutions to the water, sanitation, and hygiene problems in the developing world.

*To submit your company’s news or positions available for inclusion in the next NC REPORT, please email your news items to Karen Lee at the ACEC/NC office by **CLICKING HERE**.*

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members, \$105 for guests and spouses). Be on the look out for registration details!

OVERVIEW OF SUMMER CONFERENCE AGENDA:

Friday, August 6

9:30a.m-12:30p.m. Board Meeting

10:30a.m. Committee/Forum Chairs and Vice Chairs join Board Meeting

1:30-4:00p.m. Government Client's P.E. Program Future: Finding Hidden Treasure **Worth 2.5 PDH Credits**

5:30-7:30p.m. Ahoy Mateys! Welcome Reception

Saturday, August 7

7-9a.m. Buccaneer Breakfast

8-8:30a.m. NCBELS Report: Unlocking the Code **Worth .5 PDH Credits**

8:45-11:45a.m. Lessons from Legends: Gathering Pearls of Wisdom **Worth 3 PDH Credits**

9a.m.-4p.m. Future Leaders Work/Life Balance Session: Don't Walk the Plank!

6-7p.m. Jolly Roger Reception

7-10:00p.m. Captain's Feast

Sunday, August 8th

7-9a.m. Buccaneer Breakfast

11a.m.-1p.m. Anchors Away! We Hate You Have "To Go" Lunch

Committee Happenings

Economic Development: The Economic Development Committee recently held a planning meeting on May 27. They are continuing to accomplish goals and activities from 2010, with a definitive plan for 2011.

Federal: The Federal Committee has completed its activities for this year, ending with the Federal Forum on May 5, and will be starting back up in July. Stay tuned!

Human Resources: Doug Ebner of Ebner Financial Group, along with the Human Resources Forum, will be presenting "Shopping for Employee Benefits" to the Small Business Forum on Thursday, June 24th at 3:00 pm at the offices of Martin/Alexiou/Bryson (4000 West Chase Blvd., Suite 530, Raleigh).

PR/Marketing: The PR/Marketing Forum has completed its activities for the year, and will be starting back up in August. Stay tuned!

Small Business: The ACEC/NC Small Business Forum (SBF) recently met on Thursday, April 29th and had special guests Joe Paterniti (Jacobs) and Jim Smith (Taylor Wiseman & Taylor) present on the current goals and activities of the ACEC/NC Legislative Committee. Joe and Jim shared information about Consulting Congress Day in Washington, DC, Engineering Day at the Legislature (coming up on June 8th), and what ACEC-PAC and E-PAC do for us as an industry.

The next SBF meeting will be held on Thursday, June 24th at 3:00 pm, at the offices of Martin/Alexiou/Bryson (4000 West Chase Blvd, Suite 530, Raleigh). Our June topic is "Shopping for Employee Benefits" and we are looking forward to special guests from the ACEC/NC Human Resources Forum and Mr. Doug Ebner of Ebner Financial Group.

If you would like to be added to the SBF email distribution list and join the SBF, please contact Vice Chair Amy Wazenegger (WAZ Engineering) at amy@wazengineering.com.

State Construction/UNC Systems: The SCO-UNC Committee continues to grow with its involvement in the SCO and UNC related marketplace. We are currently offering client-focused seminars on topics such as Building Envelope Commissioning, Energy Performance Impact and Geothermal Systems. New committee members are always welcome as we strive to enhance participation in the engineering community. Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 7 at 11:30AM in the offices of Stantec in Raleigh. Lunch will be provided. Please join us.

Welcome to Our New Members

We would like to extend a warm welcome to the newest members of ACEC/NC: BP Barber of Charlotte, Fiss Environmental Solutions, Inc. of Matthews, Contech Construction Products, Inc. of Raleigh, and Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. of Raleigh. Welcome, and we look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events!