

March 2008

Upcoming ACEC/NC Events & Activities

Bridge Design Workshop

April 7, 2008
12:00 Noon
Wake Commons Bldg, Rm. 100
Raleigh, North Carolina

NC Go! Transportation Summit

April 15, 2008
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Embassy Suites Hotel
Cary, North Carolina

ACEC/NC Client Awards Wine Tasting Reception

April 15, 2008
5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
1705 PRIME
Raleigh, North Carolina

E-PAC Luncheon

April 22, 2008
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Cardinal Club
Raleigh, North Carolina

ACEC/NC Board Meeting

April 22, 2008
2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
ACEC/NC Office
Raleigh, North Carolina

Federal Forum

April 24, 2008
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Jane S. McKimmon Center
Raleigh, North Carolina

ACEC National Convention & Consulting Congress Day

April 27-30, 2008
Washington, D.C.

ACEC/NC Board Meeting

May 13, 2008
ACEC/NC Office
Raleigh, North Carolina
(specific time TBD)

Engineers Day at the North Carolina Legislature

May 30, 2008
Raleigh, North Carolina
(specific time and location TBD)

HR Forum Seminar

May 21, 2008
(more details to follow)

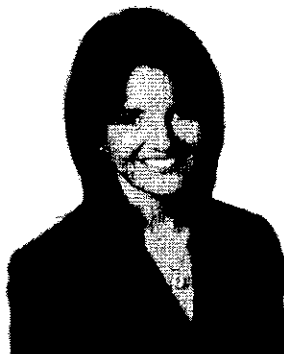
ACEC/NC & PENC Joint Summer Conference

July 10-12, 2008
Marriott Grand Dunes
Myrtle Beach, South Carolina

For more information on these or any other ACEC/NC events, click on the link to be redirected to the events page on the ACEC/NC website.

Come Unwind at the ACEC/NC Client Awards after a "Taxing Day"

On April 15, 2008, taxes are due. But after dealing with all those hectic forms and long lines, ACEC/NC invites you to relax at our annual Client Appreciation Awards and Membership Reception at 1705 PRIME in Raleigh.



This year's emcee is Emmy Award winning communications professional, Sharon Delaney McCloud (pictured above).

Sharon brings 18 years of media experience to her clients at McCloud Communications LLC. Before starting her own business, Sharon was a television journalist. From the Persian Gulf War to John Glenn's historic return to space to the Super Bowl to hurricanes, floods, politics and entertainment, Sharon has covered a multitude of stories that have affected people's lives on a daily basis.

The event starts at 5:30 p.m. with hors d'oeuvres and wine tasting. Afterward, we will present awards. All ACEC/NC Members and clients are invited!

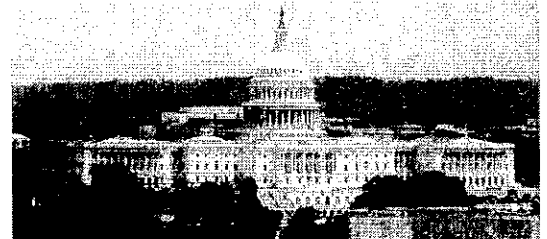
For more information on how to nominate your client or to register for the event, [CLICK HERE](#) to be redirected to the event page on the ACEC/NC website. Please keep in mind that all registrations are due by April 9.

2008-09 ACEC/NC Officers Nominated

The slate of officers for the 2008-09 ACEC/NC Board of Directors has been finalized. In the first week of April, key principals of ACEC/NC Member firms will be receiving ballots for voting for these nominees.

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Join ACEC/NC Members for Consulting Congress Day on April 29



ABOVE: Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C., where ACEC/NC will hold its annual Consulting Congress Day on April 29, 2008.

In just one month, ACEC/NC will converge on Capitol Hill for our annual Consulting Congress Day. Join us in D.C. for this unique opportunity to experience quality face time in an intimate setting with the North Carolina Congressional Delegation!

Prior to visiting with the Delegation, ACEC/NC members will begin the day in Washington with a luncheon at the Capitol Hill Club, which will include a complete briefing on all issues to be discussed with our Delegation.

Due to the large number of attendees in recent years, we have changed the format for meeting with our Members of Congress somewhat. As those of you have attended in the past will remember, meeting with with the Delegation Members in their Hill offices has become quite cramped! In order to better accommodate the large number of attendees and still allow issues-related discussion time with our Members, with the help of Congressman Howard Coble's office, we have secured a committee room in the Rayburn House Office Building in order to allow ACEC/NC attendees to stay in one place and allow the Members to come to us at appointed times.

As in years past, we will host an elegant event on the evening of April 29 in honor of our North Carolina Congressional Delegation. This year's event will take place at the Capitol Hill Club from 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., and we anticipate a strong attendance from our Delegation Members and their Senior Staff. (Due to the new ethics laws adopted this year, we cannot hold a formal dinner. However, we will host an elegant reception that complies with the current ethics restrictions.)

If you've never attended Consulting Congress Day, this is THE year to join us for the first time! [CLICK HERE](#) for hotel information and registration. We look forward to seeing you there!

Positions Available

Acer Engineering, PLLC, a small, energetic, and dynamic civil engineering and environmental consulting firm in Raleigh, NC has an immediate opening for the following full-time positions:

Project Engineer. Primary responsibilities will include stormwater management design using low impact development (LID) techniques, natural channel design, hydrologic and hydraulic modeling, site grading plans, roadway design, erosion and sediment control, and permitting. The selected candidate will have the opportunity to participate and learn from experienced engineers and natural channel designers by participating in data collection in the field and analysis in the office. Qualifications include B.S. in Civil Engineering or similar study. FE/EIT with 0-4 years experience preferred. Microstation V8 and/or AutoCAD experience preferred. Candidate must possess strong technical skills, written and oral communication skills, and be strongly motivated. Some travel within the Southeast may be required.

CADD Drafter/Field Technician. Primary responsibilities include producing construction plans for general civil/site and stream and wetland restoration projects using Microstation and/or AutoCAD. A minimum 4 years experience using Microstation and/or AutoCAD required. Candidate must possess strong technical skills, written and oral communication skills, and be strongly motivated. The selected candidate will also be required to perform work outside of the office, including, but not limited to assisting designers with field surveys, collecting groundwater data, and performing post-construction monitoring services for stream restoration projects. Acer Engineering, PLLC offers competitive salaries and benefits (including medical, dental, 401(k), vacation, holidays, and sick leave), challenging projects, and opportunities for growth in a team-oriented environment. Please forward cover letter, resume, and salary requirements to jplerrannunzi@acervnvironmental.org.

HDR, Inc., has openings for the following positions:

Senior Structural Engineer to work as part of our regional design center team in Charlotte, NC. The Senior Structural Engi-

Save the Date!

July 10-12, 2008

2008 ACEC/NC & PENC Joint Summer Conference

Summer is fast approaching! Our first joint summer conference with the Professional Engineers of North Carolina (PENC) will be held at the Marriott Resort & Spa at Grande Dunes in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

This will be THE event for the engineering industry of North Carolina! Earn continuing education credits, participate in our golf tournament and enjoy the beautiful Marriott Grand Dunes Resort in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

The conference will be held July 10-12, 2008, so mark your calendars to save the date to attend this not-to-be-missed ACEC/NC & PENC Joint Summer Conference!

For more information on these or any other ACEC/NC events please contact ACEC/NC Special Events Coordinator & Membership Liaison, Tia Jones, by [CLICKING HERE](#) or by calling 919-781-7934.

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The nominees for the 2008-09 ACEC/NC Board of Directors are the following:

National Director (appointed, not elected): Don Chandler, MACTEC
 President (appointed, not elected): Kenny Smith, Stantec
 President-Elect: Bryan Odom, WK Dickson
 Vice President: Steve Thomas, Mulkey Engineers & Consultants
 Secretary/Treasurer: Fred Burchett, Kimley-Horn & Associates

Directors to be elected to serve the second year of a two-year term:

Amy Wazenegger, WAZ Engineering

Directors to serve a two-year term:

Matt Einsmann, Withers & Ravenel
 Tony Khoury, The East Group
 John R. McAdams, The John R. McAdams Company

Directors completing their second year of a two-year term (already elected):

Dewayne Brown, Vaughn & Melton
 Roger Woods, United Engineering

Congratulations to the nominees!

NORTH CAROLINA

Transportation Summit & Candidate Forum

ACEC/NC is a sponsor of the upcoming *NC Go!* Transportation Summit & Candidate Forum on April 15, and we encourage your attendance! However, space is limited, so please register today to attend. Registration is not restricted to members of *NC Go!* or ACEC/NC, but space is limited.

Joint transportation advocates, business leaders, elected leaders and planning officials on April 15 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Embassy Suites in Cary.

The Summit includes:

- Panel discussion
- Breakouts on Public Transportation, Innovative Financing and Infrastructure Safety
- Lunch
- Keynote Address from Janet Kavinsky, director of transportation infrastructure in the Congressional and Public Affairs Division at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce
- Gubernatorial candidate forum on transportation, featuring all six candidates

For more details or to register now, visit www.ncgo.org/transportation_registration or call (919) 882-1927 for more information.

neer will be viewed as a technical expert with recognized authority in structural engineering as it relates to projects and to resolve problems of greater scope and complexity. They may plan and develop projects or design activities which have significant impact on major company programs, and may also plan, organize, and supervise work of medium to large staff of professionals and technicians. Although the Senior Structural Engineer may serve as project manager on larger projects, project management is not the sole focus of the position. Job applicants must have the following experience: BS in Civil/Structural Engineering, MS in Civil/Structural or related discipline preferred. PE required. 7+ years structural engineering experience as it relates to building design. Experience with MS Office, AutoCAD, RAM, ETABS, SAFE or similar analytical software is required. Experience in design calculations and layouts as well as the ability to design and detail in steel, concrete, masonry and wood. Understanding of gravity analysis and lateral analysis. Previous experience with an architectural/engineering or engineering consulting firm is required. Please Apply Online: <http://www.gojobs.com/seeker/aoframeset.asp?JobNum=5224780&JBID=1936>

Senior Mechanical Engineer to work as part of our regional design center in Charlotte, NC. They will be responsible for the design of HVAC, plumbing, piping, and fire protection systems for a variety of HDR clients. The Senior Mechanical Engineer may also establish meetings and participate in reviews with various governing agencies for code compliance, and will be responsible for coordinating workloads to complete the documents on schedule. They will also conduct work sessions at project sites in conjunction with Project Managers and other disciplines, and review mechanical documents for areas of conflict with all disciplines. The Senior Mechanical Engineer will also write/edit mechanical specifications, select equipment, mechanical systems and devices, and may provide, on an as needed basis, construction contract administration. Finally, they may also conduct QA/QC on the work of other Mechanical Project Engineers, Mechanical Project Coordinators or Mechanical CADD Technicians. Job applicants must have the following experience: BS in Mechanical Engineering, MS in Mechanical Engineering or related field preferred. P.E. required, 8+ years experience in mechanical system

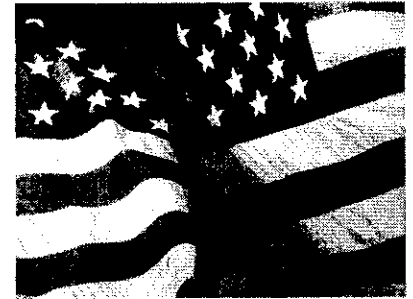
Department of Defense-Related Engineering Needs at the Federal Forum

The annual Federal Forum will take place from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. on April 24 at the McKimmon Center on NC State's campus. Engineering, Architectural and Construction Professionals interested in learning about opportunities surrounding North Carolina Military Installations are invited to attend!

Individual presentations will provide information on military federal agencies and programs in North Carolina and additional federal-related opportunities for doing business.

The agenda and speakers at this year's forum:

- 8:00-9:00 a.m. Registration, Networking, Continental Breakfast
- 9:00 a.m. Welcome
- 9:15 a.m. BRAC Regional Task Force, Fayetteville General Paul Dordal
- 10:15 a.m. Break, Networking
- 10:30 a.m. NC Eastern Region Development Commission, Mr. Al Delia
- 11:00 a.m. NAVFAC Mid-Atlantic NC Marine Corps
- 11:45 a.m. Lunch, Networking
- 1:00 p.m. Military Contracting Opportunities: Savannah District Lt. Col. George Shepard
- 2:00 p.m. NC Military Business Center—NC Military Foundation Scott Dorney & Will Austin
- 3:00 p.m. Adjourn



Please keep in mind registration is due by April 18. To learn more about the speakers for this event or to register today, please [CLICK HERE](#) to be redirected to the event page on the ACEC/NC website.

Member Firms in the News

Saco, Nixon and Kennedy, Inc.

Jeffrey Q. Johnson, PE, has recently passed the LEED NC 2.2 Exam for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design. Jeffrey is now a LEED Accredited Professional. If you have any current or future projects that are anticipated to go through the LEED Certification process and/or have the need for a LEED AP team member, we meet the qualifications for that ID credit point. Please call 919.851.4422 or e-mail jeff.johnson@bnkinc.com as the need arises.

ECB Carolinas, LLP

Charlotte is pleased to announce that the following employees have received promotions:

Paul Blake, PE, has been promoted to Assistant Branch Manager.

Jim Slusher has been promoted to Manager of Northern Division Services. Derek Clyburn, PE, has been promoted to Manager of Southern Division Services.

Marcus Cadenhead has been promoted to Manager of Support Services.

Jewel Engineering Consultants, PC

Cynthia (Cindy) C. Lancaster, PE, has joined the firm as a Water Resources Project Engineer/Manager. She holds Bachelor of Science and Master's degrees in Civil Engineering from NC State University and a Master's degree in Environmental and Water Resources Engineering from the University of Texas. Cindy has been involved with various aspects of water resources engineering for more than 20 years, performing and managing a variety of stormwater projects for local governments and private developers with a focus on integrating solutions to address flooding, erosion and water quality concerns. Cindy recently relocated to North Carolina from Austin, Texas, where her engineering experience also included involvement with transportation, solid waste management, and residential and commercial development projects in several states.

Martin/Alexiou/Bryson, PLLC

Martin/Alexiou/Bryson, PLLC, a Raleigh transportation planning and traffic engineering firm, recently

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design of commercial or institutional buildings required. Experience in commercial or institutional facilities. Healthcare, Science and Technology and/or Civic facilities experience preferred. Computer experience using MS Office, AutoCAD and/or Microstation. Must have previous experience with an architectural/engineering or engineering consulting firm. Experience and/or interest in sustainable design/LEED desired but not required. Please Apply Online: <http://www.gojobs.com/seeker/aoframeset.asp?JobNum=5238902&JBID=1936>

Roadway Project Manager for our office in Raleigh, NC. The Roadway Project Manager will be responsible for the preparation of detailed engineering designs for SCDOT and NCDOT roadway and highway projects. Overall project involvement will range from project design, plan production to project management and coordination. The following experience is required: BS in Civil Engineering, MS in Civil Engineering is a plus, PE required, Previous roadway design and project management experience. Demonstrated hands-on experience in Microstation, Geopak, and AutoCAD, SCDOT and NCDOT experience is a plus. Please Apply Online: <http://www.gojobs.com/seeker/aoframeset.asp?JobNum=1268303&JBID=1936>

W.K. Dickson has an exciting opportunity in our Charlotte, NC office for a **Structural Project Manager**. Minimum 5 years experience in public and/or private sector engineering. PE licensure in NC is required. The work includes project management with marketing, budgets and scheduling and technical performance focused on structural projects. You will interact directly with clients and ensure that project schedules and budgets are achieved. In addition to having a strong technical skill set this position requires excellent interpersonal and teaming skills. Company offers a competitive salary and excellent benefits including health, dental, disability insurance, 401(k) and flex-time. Email your resume to hrdept@wkdickson.com or fax to 704-334-0078. Visit our website at www.wkdickson.com.

hired **Timothy Troschavy** as an Associate. Timothy has been working in the field of transportation planning for more than three years. His most recent position includes working for the North Carolina State University Transportation Department as a parking planner. Timothy will utilize his environmental, GIS, and transportation planning experience to assist M/A/B with numerous projects.

McKim & Creed

Lester Lowe, PE, has joined McKim & Creed's Raleigh office as **Senior Project Manager**, serving in the company's Planning and Land Development Group. In his management role, Lowe will utilize both his professional experience and business acumen to facilitate the continued expansion of the company's planning and land development services throughout the Southeast, with a primary focus on the Triangle market.

"Lester brings more than 22 years of leadership, talent and experience to McKim & Creed," says Mark Smith, PE, McKim & Creed's national director of planning and land development. "He has a wealth of experience in many settings and understands the full spectrum of projects from inception through construction. Most importantly, he knows how to listen to clients and help them bring their dreams to reality."

Lowe earned undergraduate and graduate degrees from North Carolina State University and East Carolina University in civil engineering (construction option) and business administration, respectively. Prior to joining McKim & Creed, he was the land development practice leader/senior project manager at Kimley-Horn & Associates.

PBS&J

PBS&J announces its March 1, 2008, acquisition of EcoScience Corporation, a full-service environmental and engineering consulting firm based in Raleigh, North Carolina. EcoScience Corporation specializes in the preparation of ecological assessments and environmental impact statements, endangered species determinations, wetland delineations, soil surveys, permitting, mitigation planning, stream restoration, stormwater master planning, hydrologic and hydraulic engineering, and surface or groundwater modeling.

As a new PBS&J division, EcoScience will enhance PBS&J's service offerings in the East and nationally, according to PBS&J District Director Eugene A. Conti. "We have worked in partnership with EcoScience for a number of years on projects throughout the Carolinas. The capacity of both companies to better serve our current clients' needs and to expand into new markets is substantially increased by bringing us together within the same company," Conti stated.

Established in 1998 in Raleigh, North Carolina, EcoScience has grown to meet the environmental needs of clients beyond its home state. Today, the 20-member company is also serving clients throughout South Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia, and the U.S. Virgin Islands, complementing PBS&J's national resume in environmental science and engineering.

EcoScience Corporation's founding president, **Jerry McCrain, PhD, CEP**, will lead the new PBS&J division as **Senior Project Director**. **Sandy Smith, Group Manager**, will be responsible for the division's daily operations.

S&ME, Inc.

Randall (Randy) A. Neuhaus, PE, has been named **President of S&ME, Inc.**, a 900-employee Southeastern engineering and environmental services company, headquartered in Raleigh.

Neuhaus joined the firm in 1988 to open S&ME's office in Knoxville, Tennessee. In the two decades since, he has performed and supervised engineering work in a wide range of the firm's service areas and was given increasing managerial responsibilities, including management of a region with several offices in Tennessee.

Neuhaus was named a vice president in 2000, and S&ME's Board of Directors appointed him executive vice president in 2005. The new president has been very active in professional organizations, serving in responsible positions in state and national engineering associations. He earned his degree in civil engineering from the University of Oklahoma.

He succeeds John R. Browning, PE, a 31-year S&ME veteran, who has been president the past seven years. Browning will remain CEO and chairman of S&ME's Board of Directors until April. He will then step down to a reduced schedule as a senior technical consultant in the firm's Raleigh branch. During Browning's presidency, the firm grew from 600 to 900 employees and from 15 to 22 offices in six states.

In the past 12 years, S&ME has won 60 Engineering Excellence Awards from the American Council of Engineering Companies of North Carolina.

S&ME's North Carolina offices are in Raleigh, Asheville, Charlotte, Fayetteville, Greensboro, Mooresville and Wilmington. Mr. Neuhaus will operate from the headquarters in Raleigh.

To submit your company's needs or positions available for inclusion in the next ACEC/NC REPORT, please email your news items to Barbara.Kalish@acecnc.org or call ACEC/NC office at 919-781-7934.