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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear AAACE Toronto Section members and supporters,

I want to start off by thanking our Past President, David Colangelo. It was a great year of technical seminars and presentations throughout 2011 and 2012 and it wouldn't have been possible with his hard work and leadership.

We recently held our 2nd annual Procept AAACE Student Competition at the University of Toronto. There was a great turnout for all of the student presentations. Congratulations to the Montreal Olympic Stadium team with their winning presentation. We hope the continued involvement with this student competition will help grow our sections' student membership. I encourage students to attend our seminars and use the opportunity to learn about some of our exciting topics, as well as interact and network with professionals in your field of study.

We also made great progress with our website updates, newsletters, and LinkedIn group creation. The plan is to continue these various marketing techniques to grow our membership, and increase the presence of the AAACE Toronto Section throughout the entire Greater Toronto Area.

To all the members of the Toronto Section I would encourage you to contact any of the board members with ideas or initiatives you would like to see the AAACE get involved in.

I look forward to meeting all of you at one of the upcoming technical seminars.

Best Regards,
Greg Stallard

AAACE Toronto Section President



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The AAACE Toronto Section Board of Directors for 2012-2013 was voted into office during the Section's Annual General Meeting that was held in May 2012.

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ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING THE AAACE TORONTO SECTION?

There are many benefits of becoming an AAACE member. You will be joining a group of cost and scheduling professionals with access to the collective wisdom of many, who share the same challenges that you face daily in your job, and who are willing to share their best ideas and techniques to better the profession. The other tangible benefits in joining the AAACE are:

- Access to a virtual library (24 hours a day, 7 days a week) of cost management information containing more than 4,500 technical papers
www.aacei.org/resources/vl/
- Access to a highly respected monthly publication Cost Engineering, which presents a wide spectrum of topics and approaches in the field
www.aacei.org/resources/ce/
- Access to an online webinar that allows members to post questions and engage in lively debate on potential solutions
www.aacei.org/resources/webinars
- Access to Total Cost Management which graphically demonstrates the integration of asset management and project control processes
<http://www.aacei.org/resources/tcm/>
- An option to participate in an AAACE Annual Meeting that offers a selection of continuing seminars, thought-provoking keynote speakers, and an opportunity to keep up with today's latest tools and resources offered by leading vendors
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- An opportunity to participate, interact and network with your local professionals, through 80 local sections scattered around the world. These sections offer educational programs, as well as sponsor both educational and social events
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- A chance to enhance your professional credentials through an online education program, or quality training offered by approved educational providers
www.aacei.org/educ/
- A chance to validate your skills and abilities and to enhance your professional opportunities by participating in the AAACE Certification program
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The bottom line is simple and real. Your AAACE membership is an investment that pays dividends, and for annual fees of \$143US (plus \$10US first time member application fee), you become a part of an organization dedicated to improving your profession.

The attached link will take you directly to the right page to start the registration process: <http://www.aacei.org/mbr/>

AAACE NEWS

New Director for Region 1

The AAACE Toronto Section would like to congratulate **Matthew J. Nicholas** for being elected as the new AAACE Director for Region 1.

Matthew can be contacted at
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AAACE TECHNICAL SEMINARS

Recent Seminars

Front End Planning for Renovation/ Re-vamp Projects

The AAACE Toronto Section held a Technical Seminar on May 2nd 2012 hosted by York University.

The guest speaker was Faron Rollins, Project Manager with Ontario Power Generation, Thunder Bay Gas Conversion Project. The topic of discussion was the requirements and importance of the front end planning process for renovation projects.

2nd Annual Procept-AAACE UofT Project Management Paper Competition

The AAACE Toronto Section held a competition, in conjunction with Procept and UofT, on April 25th 2012, hosted by University of Toronto.

There were three different student presentations on various project management topics. Congratulations to the "Montreal Olympic Stadium" team for winning this competition.

A special thanks to all the board members that sat as judges for this competition.



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AACE International Annual General Meeting (AGM)

July 8-11, 2012

A fiesta for Total Cost Management

Key Note Speaker: Connie Podesta

Marriot Rivercenter Hotel,

San Antonio, TX

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- A monthly copy of Cost Engineering journal will be provided to each of your 8 (minimum) sponsored employees (over \$600.00 in savings).
- One local section fee is included per core group (8) members (approx. a \$120.00 value!) AACE's Section Meetings are an excellent means for your employees to network with other experienced professionals and hone their own leadership skills. Offering presentations from local industry speakers, facility tours, and social events, Section meetings are an important way to expand contacts and gain up-to-date information.
- Your corporate link will be placed on the AACE website.
- An annual listing in Cost Engineering journal, the leading industry periodical.
- The company will receive an engraved plaque recognizing its corporate sponsorship.
- 10% discount off the member rate to attend cutting edge AACE industry seminars.
- 10% discount off the member rate of attending the AACE annual meeting.
- 10% discount on employee certification fees when paid by the company.
- 5% discount on all publications produced by AACE International

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