

2010 ACEA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

April 6 - 7, 2010

Marriott's Grand Hotel • Point Clear, Ala.

The 2010 ACEA Annual Conference is scheduled for April 6 - 7, 2010, at Marriott's Grand Hotel in Point Clear, Ala. We hope you will make your plans NOW to attend! As you know, the ACCA has moved to an online registration system, so you can register for the conference at www.acca-online.org.

Conference registration for ACEA members is \$185 each if you register before **Friday, March 12**. Late registration will take effect after March 12 and will be \$200 each. (*Cancellations will not be refunded after Friday, March 19.*) Enclosed in this packet is information on the John F. Courson Excellence in County Engineering Award, information on the Golf Tournament, and a full conference agenda.

I am sure you can see from the topics that this will be a great conference! We are especially excited about our kickoff speaker for the Opening General Session. Andy Fanter is a nationally known economist who makes forecasts for CAT, John Deere, Volvo and others. Andy is going to talk to us about the Forecast for Equipment Rotation and Resell.

The conference dinner this year will be held offsite at Wentzell's restaurant on Wednesday, April 7. This is a family friendly event, so be sure to sign up your guests. Crenshaw County engineer Benjie Sanders and his band will be playing for us.

To reserve your room at Marriott's Grand Hotel, please go to www.marriottgrand.com & enter the code **ACEACEA** in the box marked "Group Code" along with your arrival & departure dates. If you are trying to come in a day early or stay a day late, you will need to call 1-800-544-9933 & refer to the group name. The conference room rate is \$155 a night. ***The deadline to reserve your room is Friday, March 5.***

Please understand that we must use 85% of our room block or the ACEA will have to pay for the unused rooms. We are asking that you please stay at The Grand Hotel in support of the ACEA.

If you have any problems or questions regarding the conference or making your hotel reservations, please call Donna Key at (334) 263-7594, or send an email to dkey@acca-online.org. We look forward to seeing you in Point Clear!

REGISTER ONLINE AT WWW.ACCA-ONLINE.ORG

John F. Courson Excellence in County Engineering Award

sponsored by the
Association of County Engineers of Alabama

The ACEA would like to recognize projects, programs, and/or departments that have excelled in the field of county engineering. The John F. Courson Excellence in County Engineering Award will be awarded during the ACEA Annual Conference April 6 - 7, 2010, and will recognize unique, innovative, or superb accomplishments in county engineering in Alabama. Individuals who wish to nominate a project, program, and/or department should fill out the nomination form below and return to the ACCA office along with a supporting letter.

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY MARCH 3, 2010. The nomination form and letter may be accompanied by supporting documentation, such as photos, charts, tables, etc.

Name of the county being nominated: _____

Name of the County Engineer: _____

Description/name of the program, project, or department being nominated:

- In a separate letter please explain why the nominee should receive the award.

The ACEA Awards Committee consists of the three most recent Past Presidents of the ACEA. Nominations are welcome from the county with the nominated program, project, and/or department, or by a second party. If you have questions, please call Donna Key at (334) 263-7594.

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TENTATIVE AGENDA

TUESDAY, APRIL 6

10 a.m.

ACEA Golf Tournament Registration

Timber Creek Golf Club

11 a.m.

Shotgun Start, ACEA Golf Tournament

(A boxed lunch will be provided)

3 - 6 p.m.

Conference Registration

6 - 7 p.m.

Opening Reception

(Golf Tournament prizes will be announced at the reception.)

Dinner on your own.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7

7:30 - 8:30 a.m.

Conference Breakfast

7:30 - 8:30 a.m.

ACEA Board of Directors Meeting

8 - 10:30 a.m.

Conference Registration

8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Opening General Session

- Forecast for Equipment Rotation and Resell
Andy Fanter, Economist, Intercast
- ADPH Regulations for Flood Zones & Subdivisions
Pres Allinder, ADPH
- Examiners Report (Right-of-Way)
Mike Scroggins, Chief, County Audits

- Topic TBA

- Liability Update

Craig Dillard, Webb & Eley, P.C.

12 - 1 p.m.

President's Luncheon

(Awards Ceremony, NACE Update and Business Session)

1:15 - 5 p.m.

Afternoon General Session

- ALDOT Update

Ed Phillips, ALDOT

- Update from the Alabama Division of the Federal Highway Administration

Mark Bartlett, Division Administrator

- Engineers Roundtable

Investigating the Use of Roundabouts

Joe Ruffer, Mobile County Engineer

Herbicide in Different Areas of the State

Mark Pool, Houston County Engineer

Brian Rosenbalm, Calhoun County Engineer

Accounting for Expenses Software

Richie Beyer, Elmore County Engineer

- State Construction Stormwater Regulations

Chip Crockett, Water Division, ADEM

- Being Prepared When FEMA Assistance is Needed

Mark Pool, Dennis McCall and Randy Tindell

- ACCA Report

Sonny Brasfield, ACCA Executive Director

6 - 8 p.m.

Conference Dinner at Wentzell's

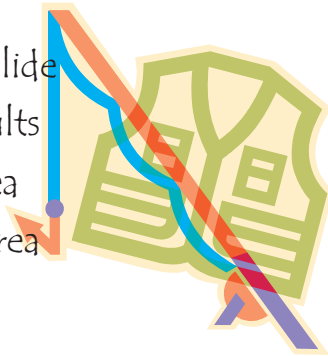
Busses will be provided for transportation

Entertainment provided by Crenshaw County Engineer Benjie Sanders and his band

Bringing the family with you?

Below are some of the fun things available for families at The Grand Hotel

- Fishing
- Horseshoe Pit
- Volleyball Net
- Croquet Court
- Grand Putting Green
- Feeding the Grand Ducks (duck food available at the front desk)
- Indoor pool
- Outdoor pool with slide
- Hot Tub area for adults
- Adults only pool area
- Sandy Beach Front area
- Kayaks and boats
- Bikes
- Fire Pits for a bonfire
- Weekly recreational activities for children between 5 and 12 years of age at Grand Fun Camp. Activities include Hula Hoop and Jump rope contests, crafts, Ping Pong Tournaments, Putt Putt contests, Horseshoe contests, Scavenger Hunts, Skee Ball, Video Games, etc. (Reservations required in advance and there is a charge. Parents must stay on property).



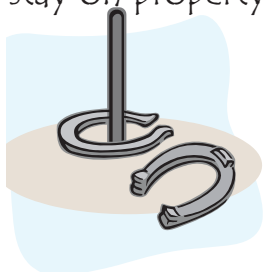
Onsite Restaurants include:

- The Grand Dining Room
- Bucky's Birdcage Lounge
- Lakewood Club and Grill
- Saltwater Grill
- Grand Coffee Shop
- Pelican's Nest and Marlin Bar (poolside)



Offsite Restaurants include:

- Big Daddy's Grill at Riverpark Marina (6 miles)
- Mateers on Church Street (3 miles)
- Sunflower Cafe (4 miles)
- Wentzell's (2 miles)
- Tokya Japanese Restaurant (4 miles)
- Wash House Restaurant (1 mile)
- Brandon's (7 miles)
- Julwin's Southern Country Restaurant (3 miles)
- Panini Pete's Sandwich Cafe--Featured on The Food Network (3 miles)
- The Fairhope Inn and Restaurant (4 miles)
- Valenti's Ristorante (3 miles)



- Separate Teen Center with games and video games including Wii and Rock Band

- **AND** of course shopping in downtown Fairhope!



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ACEA Annual Conference Golf Tournament



WHERE: Timber Creek Golf Club, Daphne, Ala.

WHEN: Tuesday, April 6, 2010

TIME: 10:00 a.m. Registration and Range Balls
11:00 a.m. Shotgun Start (A boxed lunch will be provided)

FORMAT: The tournament will use a scramble format to allow every player to be directly involved in the scoring. This format does not require that all players be expert golfers. Everyone, regardless of skill level, is encouraged to play!

COST: \$50 per player for county engineers and employees. This includes lunch, green fees, cart, drinks and prizes!

ACTION: Register online at www.acca-online.org!

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