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2009-2010 GSPE Board of Directors

The GSPE nominating committee, chaired by GSPE Past-President Patrick Rhodes, is seeking GSPE members interested in joining the GSPE Board of Directors for 2009-2010. With the changing dynamics of the state society, it is important to seek new leaders that can work with existing board members to carry GSPE into the future.

GSPE will remain a strong voice dedicated to protecting the professional engineers license from encroachment by unlicensed workers. A strong society working to protect the integrity of the professional engineer is key. Become a GSPE Board of Directors member and work with the local chapters and members, as well as, building an essential working relationship with the Georgia Professional Engineers Licensing Board as an advocate for our profession.

To learn more about the role of a GSPE Board of Director, please contact Carolyn Jones at 404-521-2324 or send an e-mail to carolyn.jones@gaengineers.org.

Working together for today and tomorrow's professional engineer.

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2009 Georgia MATHCOUNTS

Have you volunteered for the local or state competition?

The Georgia MATHCOUNTS is an annual competition presented by the Georgia Society of Professional Engineers and sponsored by a host of engineering companies, organizations and businesses that utilize the engineering profession.

GSPE is a strong advocate of MATHCOUNTS because it encourages students at the middle school level to strive for excellence in math and science. Enjoying the thrill and excitement of these core academic classes at the middle school level will lay the ground work for youth to recognize the importance of math and science as they mature into young adults making career choices.

There is growing concern regarding what appears to be a lack of interest in American students in the primary and intermediate education levels in math and science. This can lead to a lower number of students entering college majoring in Engineering and/or Technology fields. The effect of this decline in interest for math and science can impact America's innovation and strength in engineering and technology in the future.

Remind our youth about the importance of math and science while they are in school, and for our country's future. With this in mind, contact your local GSPE Chapter and volunteer to work with the MATHCOUNTS competition in your area. The following GSPE chapters host local MATHCOUNTS competitions that send their top teams and individuals to the state MATHCOUNTS competition.

GSPE Chapter Competitions

- Atlanta Metro - Saturday, February 14, 2009
- Augusta - Saturday, February 21, 2009
- Cobb - Saturday, February 14, 2009
- Columbus - February 28, 2009
- Northeast - Friday, February 20, 2009
- Northwest - Friday, February 6, 2009
- Middle Georgia - Friday, February 13, 2009
- Savannah - Saturday, February 14, 2009
- South Georgia - Friday, February 27, 2009
- West Georgia - Friday, February 6, 2009

The **Georgia State MATHCOUNTS** competition will be held **Saturday, March 21, 2009** at Zoo Atlanta.

For additional information on Georgia MATHCOUNTS, contact Carolyn Jones via e-mail at carolyn.jones@gaengineers.org.

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GSPE Membership Phone-A-Thon

During National Engineers Week
February 16-22, 2008

The Georgia Society of Professional Engineers will host a GSPE Membership Phone-A-Thon in 2009. GSPE is looking for members that would like to participate in this event at the local chapter level.

The purpose of the event is to contact past and potential GSPE members regarding renewing their membership or joining GSPE.

Contact your local GSPE Chapter representative to find out if your chapter is participating in the 2009 GSPE Membership Phone-A-Thon or contact Carolyn Jones at the GSPE headquarters at 404-521-2324 or via e-mail at carolyn.jones@gaengineers.org.

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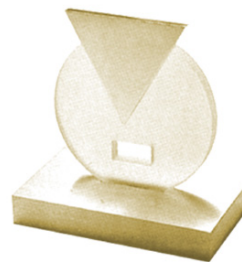
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2009 Engineers Week Awards Gala

Attend an elegant evening that celebrates the engineering profession and honors the winners of Georgia Engineering Excellence Awards and the Georgia Engineer of the Year Awards. The evening will be held Saturday, February 28, 2009, at the Carlos Hellenic Community Center in Atlanta, Georgia. The program showcases the superior work and community support of your fellow engineers. The night begins with a reception at 6:30 p.m., followed at 7:30 p.m., by dinner and the program.

Visit the [Georgia Engineers Week](#) web site for additional information.



**GSPE Members To Be Honored At The
2009 Engineers Week Awards Gala**

GSPE is proud to announce the selection of GSPE members **Kristen**

Courson of Stantec Consulting in Macon for the 2009 Young Engineer of the Year and **Peter Villhauer of Mikart Pharmaceutical** in Atlanta for the 2009 Engineer of the Year in Industry.

These awards are presented to engineers to honor the outstanding contributions they have made in the engineering profession, the public welfare, and/or humankind.

Please join your fellow engineers on Saturday, February 28, 2009 at the Engineers Week Awards Gala to congratulate your GSPE members on their rewarding accomplishment.

GEORGIA ENGINEERING ALLIANCE

Presents

Georgia's Infrastructure and Environment Summit

The Freight Depot

Atlanta, Georgia

March 6, 2009

8:30 AM - 2:00 PM

"Tell us what you know about the new stimulus package! What role do engineers play? How is it going to work?"

There is a new stimulus package proposed by the Federal Government and the State of Georgia involving infrastructure and environmental projects. Georgia's Infrastructure and Environment Summit will focus on the economic stimulus package(s) and how the money flow can be helpful to your companies - who has it, how to get some of it, its purpose, requirements, etc.

Presenters will include: Dave Raymond, ACEC President, and advisor to President Obama's Stimulus Package team; Lt. Governor Casey Cagle (invited); Representatives from GEFA, EPD, GSFIC, GDOT and more!

REGISTER NOW!

To register on-line [click here](#) OR download registration form [click here](#).

This event will be attended by engineers, architects and government employees.

If you would like additional information for this event, please contact Kathy Belcher at Kathy.Belcher@gaengineers.org.



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2009 Georgia Engineers Summer Conference

Join us at the 2009 Georgia Engineers Summer Conference to converse with fellow engineers on how to survive and thrive in a world of uncertain economic times.

**Callaway Gardens
Pine Mountain, Georgia
June 11 - 14, 2009**

Mark your calendars!!!!

*PDH credits can be earned at the
Georgia Engineers Summer Conference*

**It will be a weekend filled with informative presentations,
networking and fun activities for the whole family!**



GSPE Chapter Meetings

[Mark Your Calendars And Plan To Attend](#)

Atlanta Metro Chapter

Bring a friend the 2nd Monday of each month.

Monday, February 9, 2009

LOCATION

Picadilly Cafeteria

2000 Crescent Centre Blvd.
Tucker, GA

TOPIC

**Overview of Legal Subjects Pertaining to Employees
and Employers**

SPEAKER

Joyce Glucksman, Esq.

Gather

6:00pm

Announcements and Introductions

6:20pm

Dinner

6:30pm

**Brief Presentation
of Interesting and Useful Internet Sites**

7:10 pm

Presentation

7:15pm

Adjourn

8:30pm

Cost: \$10+ depending on your meal selection

Reservations are necessary. Please RSVP: Robert Kurz,
robertkurz@bellsouth.net by 2:00 pm on the day of the meeting.

Augusta Chapter

Contact Judith Simmons at jsimmons@wkdickson.com or call
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Cobb Chapter

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campus parking pass.

Columbus Chapter

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Middle Georgia Chapter

Contact Betty Jean Jordan at
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Northeast Chapter

Contact Kyle McKay at kyle.mckay@erdc.usace.army.mil
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Northwest Chapter

Tuesday, February 10, 2009

PLANT TOUR
Cycle-Tex Plant
Rome, Georgia

Dinner at Opie's

For detailed information:
Program Chairman - John Pillsbury
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PDH Credits Will Be Issued

Savannah Chapter

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South Georgia

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West Georgia

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Please take advantage of the programs, events and chapter meetings GSPE presents. As you meet Professional Engineers that are not members of NSPE/GSPE, encourage them to become members of the society that supports your profession.

Sincerely,

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Georgia Society of Professional Engineers
Executive Director

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