



South Central Chapter Newsletter

2011–2012 Officers

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2011 Chapter Committees

Annual Conference
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May, 2011

2011 Annual Conference— Corpus Christi, Texas

The 2011 Chapter Conference was held March 27-30, 2011 in Corpus Christi, Texas. Hosted by the Corpus Christi International Airport and the City of Corpus Christi, attendees spent three wonderful days on the waterfront at the Omni Hotel. The conference got off to a great start with a golf tournament and of course the big Sunday night reception. Lots of new faces and lots of



'seasoned' chapter members had a great opportunity to meet and catch up at the Art Museum of South Texas. Two days of informative and educational sessions followed with topics including Legislative updates, Safety Management Systems (SMS), Foreign Trade Zones and Economic Development, Airport Cooperative Research Program (ACRP) and an FBO Topic Roundtable. The Monday night event was originally slated to be an outdoor beach party, but windy and chilly conditions made an indoor venue much more appealing. The attendees took it in stride however, trading the sand for the carpet while still being rowdy with beach balls and badminton. The final banquet was memorable with awards of recognition given to Lisa Pyles, AAE, the President's award given to Walt Strong, AAE, and the dreaded 'meadow muffin' given to Buck Taft for all of his "Potential." Many thanks from the Chapter and its members to the Corpus Christi International Airport staff and Kim Bridger for an incredible conference!

2011 SCC Officers and Directors Elected

At the membership meeting in Corpus Christi, the chapter nominating committee presented a slate of officers that were considered and voted on. Elected were: Jeff Mulder, AAE, Tulsa, Oklahoma, as President; Kelly Campbell, Lubbock, Texas, as Vice President; Edelana Van Marter, AAE, Houston, Texas, as Secretary Treasurer; and Luis Elguezabal, AAE, San Angelo, Texas, as Past President. Board Members for the year are Mike Medley, CM, Albuquerque, New Mexico; Scott Smith, AAE, Conroe, Texas; Alexis Higgins, AAE, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Martin Miller, Great Bend, Kansas; Donald "Buck" Taft, McAllen, Texas; and Jerry "Bomber" Watson, AAE, Austin, Texas. Lisa Pyles, AAE with URS Corporation was elected as the Corporate Director. Many thanks to Scott Keith from Oklahoma City, Kelly Campbell, and Edelana Van Marter, AAE for their efforts on the board over the past year.

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2011-2012 Calendar of Upcoming Events

May 15–18, 2011	AAAE National Conference and Expo—Atlanta, GA
May 15, 2011	Chapter Membership Meeting—Atlanta, GA (9:00am)
July 17-19, 2011	Conference of the Americas—Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands
July 24-30, 2011	Loretta Scott Accreditation/Certification Academy—Alexandria, VA
September 18-20, 2011	F. Russell Hoyt National Airports Conference—Tucson, Arizona
November 13-19, 2011	Loretta Scott Accreditation/Certification Academy—Dallas, TX
March 25–28, 2012	SCC Annual Conference—Wichita, KS

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New Chapter Travel and Professional Development Grants

In the Fall of 2010, the officers and directors of the chapter agreed to begin funding an assortment of travel and professional grants for chapter members. Understanding that there are those that desire to become or maintain active in attending chapter events or academies, the leadership feels that our resources can be put forward to help individuals with those endeavors. With a completed application and statement from your employer that you are unable to fund your participation, you may apply and be considered for one of a set of grants that the chapter will offer this year and next. Grants will be available for active, good standing and student chapter members of the organization. Information and forms will be discussed and approved at the May, 2011 membership meeting in Atlanta and will be available on the web site shortly afterwards. For more information on the grant program, you may contact Jerry "Bomber" Watson, AAE by email: jerry.watson@ci.austin.tx.us