



# Acadiana Branch

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### Upcoming Events

- Please remember to pay your National & Section ASCE dues
- Jan. 5-7, 2001; Zone II Management & Leadership Conference, New Orleans, LA.
- Jan. 22-23; Water & Wastewater, Dallas, TX.
- January 25-26; Construction Project Administration, Phoenix, AZ.
- Jan. 31-Feb 2; Urban Subsurface Drainage, New Orleans, LA.

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## President's Message

Forty-two (42) members attended the second Branch meeting held October 11, 2000 at A La Carte. Mr. Pat Logan, Associate Director of Public Works for the Lafayette Consolidated Government, was our guest speaker. Prior to the introduction of Mr. Logan, elections were held to fill the position of President-Elect (*Editor's note: Please see page 2 for a complete listing of officers and committee members*). Mr. Logan then discussed Lafayette Consolidated Government projects currently in the development phase and

also discussed those projects that are under construction.

The Acadiana Branch is working to promote Civil Engineering to area middle school students through sponsorship of activities in conjunction with the PBS series *Building Big*. The objective of *Building Big* is to educate middle school students on how different types of civil-engineered structures, such as buildings and bridges, are designed and constructed. We are currently organizing events at different

schools throughout Acadiana. If you are interested in coordinating one of these events, please contact any of the board members.

Jan C. Robichaux, E.I.

## November Branch Meeting

**DATE:** Wednesday, November 15, 2000

**LOCATION:** Acadiana's Catfish Shak  
Large Conference Room  
5824 Johnston Street  
Lafayette, LA.

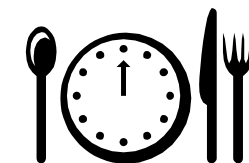
**TIME:** Noon

**SPEAKER:** David Connell  
C&C Technologies

**DINNER:** Seafood & Barbeque buffet with grilled chicken, grilled fish, biscuits & other sides

**PRICE:** \$12 per professional  
\$6 per student

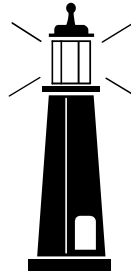
**RSVP:** Please RSVP with Glenn McCall (337-237-2200, glenn@Fenstermaker.com) by November 13, 2000



## November Spotlight

Mr. David Connell of C&C Technologies will be our guest speaker at the November Branch meeting. Mr. Connell will discuss the innovative Autonomous Underwater Vehicle (AUV) under development by C&C Technologies in conjunction with the United States Navy. Similar to the Remote Operated Vehicle (ROV), AUV is a underwater data collector.

The AUV, however, is not linked to a ship via an umbilical cord. In place of a physical link, the AUV is 'attached' with acoustic modems that transmit information acoustically to and from a central operating location on the surface. This is the



first commercial system in the world capable of collecting bottom height, sub-bottom composite, and images of material on the bottom (side scan images similar to x-rays).

## Branch News

November is sponsor's month! One person from each firm/sponsor will enjoy lunch on us at the November 15th Branch meeting.

The Acadiana Branch is once again hosting an ASCE membership drive. The first five ASCE members to recruit 3 or more members will be given a

\$50 gift certificate to the restaurant of their choice.

The Board is producing a television commercial that will promote civil engineering to middle school students. We are excited about this project and hope to have the commercial completed by the first of the year.



## Student Chapter Corner

National ASCE Student membership is now free! New national members may register at [www.asce.org/membership/sappform.html](http://www.asce.org/membership/sappform.html); Current members go to [www.asce.org/membership/studupdate.html](http://www.asce.org/membership/studupdate.html)

Student Chapters interested in receiving grant funding should submit a formal request to the Board prior to the December 2000 Branch meeting.

### Notable Dates:

**12/1/00:**

Zone II Workshop for Student Chapter Leaders Registration Deadline

**1/5-1/7/01:**

Zone II Workshop, New Orleans, LA.

### **Attention ASCE Student Chapter Leaders!**

Please contact Kimberly Landry (337-291-8522; [klandry@lafayettegov.com](mailto:klandry@lafayettegov.com)) to post your Chapter's activities in this newsletter.

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# November 2000

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

## Schedule of Events

- **11/7** Election Day
- **11/11** Veteran's Day
- **11/15** Branch meeting
- **11/23** Thanksgiving Day



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