



# AMERICAN SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL ESTIMATORS

## GREETINGS FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

### Bob Kovacs

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I recently received the list of candidates for CPE certification for the ASPE national, and was happy to see that we have four applicants from our chapter, and over 100 nationwide. I don't know if that's a record number of applicants, but it's definitely good to see so many members making the investment in becoming certified, as it only serves to increase the level of professionalism in our industry.

I was unable to attend the December meeting/holiday party, but I hear that we had a good turnout, and we were able to brighten the holidays for some hospital-bound kids with all of the great toys we collected for Children's Healthcare of Atlanta. Thanks to all who attended and/or donated.

Our first meeting of the New Year will take place this Thursday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, and will feature Mike Felton of Commercial Restoration Group as our speaker. You'd think it wouldn't be too tough to get people to come in and talk about their products and services, but it's truly much more difficult than it seems, especially when you're trying to make the arrangements months in advance. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Charles Carroll for setting up the speakers for our meetings- he's really done a great job getting us some quality presenters.

Hope to see you all on Thursday!

Regards,

Bob



## ASPE LUNCH PROGRAM

THURSDAY

January 21, 2010

11:30 am – 1:00 pm

CROSS CREEK CAFE

1221 Cross Creek Pkwy  
Atlanta, GA 30327

Price \$15.00

RSVP is required.

Please RSVP to  
LaTarsha Bailey  
at 404.609.9006 or  
respond via email by  
Wednesday  
January 20, 2010.

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## ASPE Code of Ethics Basic Canons

**Canon #1** - Professional estimators shall perform services in areas of their discipline and competence.

**Canon #2** - Professional estimators shall continue to expand their professional capabilities through continuing education programs to better enable them to serve clients, employers and the industry.

**Canon #3** - Professional estimators shall conduct themselves in a manner, which will promote cooperation and good relations among members of our profession and those directly related to our profession.

**Canon #4** - Professional estimators shall safeguard and keep in confidence all knowledge of the business affairs and technical procedures of an employer or client.

**Canon #5** - Professional estimators shall conduct themselves with integrity as all times and not knowingly or willingly enter into agreements that violate the laws of the United States of America or of the states in which they practice. They shall establish guidelines for setting forth prices and receiving quotations that are fair and equitable to all parties.

**Canon #6** - Professional estimators shall utilize their education, years of experience and acquired skills in the preparation of each estimate or assignment with full commitment to make each estimate or assignment as detailed and accurate as their talents and abilities allow.

**Canon #7** - Professional estimators shall not engage in the practice of "bid peddling" as defined by this code. This is a breach of moral and ethical standards, and a member of this society shall not enter into this practice.

**Canon #8** - Professional estimators and those in training to be estimators shall not enter into any agreement that may be considered acts of collusion or conspiracy (bid rigging) with the implied or express purpose of defrauding clients. Acts of this type are in direct violation of the Code of Ethics of the American Society of Professional Estimators.

**Canon #9** - Professional estimators and those in training to be estimators shall not participate in acts, such as the giving or receiving of gifts that are intended to be or may be construed as being unlawful acts of bribery.

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