



# PCEA TODAY

Professional Construction Estimators Association  
CSRA Chapter

April  
2023

David Eller, President

## Message from the President

Are you tired of golf traffic and over the influx of Augusta visitors? Then come join us for our April social outing on April 25<sup>th</sup> at the Spring Lakes Clubhouse! It will be a relaxing break from all the springtime chaos. Come join us for some hometown fun!

Our 2023 national convention is coming up April 19<sup>th</sup> to the 23<sup>rd</sup> in Knoxville, TN. Please see below for more information on upcoming events, and HAPPY EASTER!

Please join us and bring guests to our **Monthly Membership Meeting** on April 13<sup>th</sup>. Meetings are held every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday at Fat Man's Café, 1450 Greene Street in Augusta.



What better way to celebrate Easter (April 9<sup>th</sup>) than a classic Easter egg hunt or family event? Click below for local events:

<https://csrakids.com/ultimate-easter-egg-hunt-guide>

<https://hotaugusta.com/listicle/easter-events-in-the-csra/>

**Join us!**  
**Cornhole & Lowcountry Boil**

**April 25th**  
**6:00 to 8:00**  
**Spring Lakes Clubhouse**

Address: 104 Springlakes Dr, Martinez, GA  
RSVP: Scott Gunter 706-814-4290 or [Scott.truthroofing@gmail.com](mailto:Scott.truthroofing@gmail.com)

Come join us for social networking and fun this month as we celebrate surviving the big golf tournament! We will have a low country boil, cornhole tournament, and lots of fun opportunities to meet new people!

## Safety Challenge

### Don't be a Distracted Driver!

Every single day eight people are killed in accidents involving distracted drivers, and hundreds more are injured. Whether you're driving to a jobsite or doing some weekend traveling, you must stay focused!

**Don't sacrifice convenience for safety.** Most of today's vehicles come with touch screens, audio, climate control, and phone interactions... but no call or convenience is worth your life or safety. Before you start your trip, make the adjustments or calls you need to make. Commit to driving without distractions.

**Device Overload.** When driving, put your devices away. Don't use your phone while driving, and enter your GPS addresses/coordinates before you start driving. Pull over or wait until your next stop to make a call or text.

**Silent distractions.** Sometimes the distraction is all in your head. Maybe you're thinking about your busy schedule, problems at work, or home tasks you need to complete. Get into the habit of bringing your focus back to what matters. Take a deep breath, sit up straight, and if you need a break - take one.

**Multitasking Mistakes.** Don't eat, drink, or have heated or important conversations while on the road. Avoid loud music or any other noisy distractions.



### APRIL SOCIAL!

April 25<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 to 8:00 PM

Spring Lakes, Evans, GA

Please invite your friends and coworkers to our April social.

And don't forget to RSVP to Scott Gunter

706-814-4290 or

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### Odd Holidays

Celebrate some of the lesser-known holidays this year:

April 13: National Scrabble Day

April 14: National Gardening Day

April 22: Earth Day

April 23: World Book Day

### Poetry Month

U.S. National Poetry Month, April, is a marvelous opportunity to celebrate the expressiveness, delight, and pure charm of poetry. It is a special occasion that reminds us of the integral role of poets and poetry in our cultures. Poetry helps us appreciate the world around us and empathize with one another.



## PCEA National Convention

Early Arrival & General Registration packages are available



Come join us in Knoxville, TN as we make friends from other chapters and network for future opportunities. There are always fun educational and social events, so mark your calendars for April 19<sup>th</sup> through the 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**WHERE: EMBASSY SUITES**  
Downtown Knoxville  
507 South Gay Street  
Knoxville, TN 37902

**WHEN: APRIL 19<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>**

The 48th Annual National Convention is here! We are looking forward to all Knoxville Tennessee has to offer. This year's hosts are the Charlotte Chapter, and they have a great line up to offer.

This year's convention is unique in that there are early and general registration packages. Please download details in the Call to Convention [HERE](#).

There are spouse/family events, and activities to keep the family busy while we are in convention. Sponsorships are also available. Please visit the national PCEA website for more information.

<https://pcea.wildapricot.org/Convention>



## Member Spotlight – Mark Stephens

Accelerate your commercial building's depreciation with

Mark Stephens - National Account Executive

[mstephens@costsegregationservices.com](mailto:mstephens@costsegregationservices.com) 706-294-7989

<https://markstephens.cssistudy.com> <https://calendly.com/markcssi/overview>

Mark has been a valued member of PCEA for 2 ½ years. He is our VP and makes great contributions to new member enrollment and engagement. He honed these skills early, with his first job at the National Headquarters of his own fraternity, Alpha Tau Omega, where he traveled extensively and taught new members how to operate their chapters and grow their internal and external networks.



Mark currently works for Cost Segregation Services, Inc. where he engages commercial building owners by applying cost segregation to their buildings. Cost segregation is a method of accelerated depreciation that generates tax savings and positive cash flow for the building owner. His role is in sales and project management, working with owners, CPAs and his home office engineering staff. He has been in this position for 6 years.

Mark values his PCEA membership, citing his biggest member benefits as increasing his business network and developing new relationships. His advice to anyone planning on entering the construction field: "There are many opportunities for those who are willing to work hard. Seek out people in the field and spend time with them, learning the actual challenges and rewards of the business. Get involved in internships, apprentice programs, and other group activities."

Outside of work, Mark enjoys golf, reading, cooking, painting and (believe it or not) yardwork. His latest challenge to himself is to read more classic literature. Over the last few months, he's read *The Count of Monte Cristo*, *Atlas Shrugged*, *Meditations*, and *Crime and Punishment*. As for his painting, his favorite artists are Impressionists: Monet, Degas, and Renoir. His playlist includes 60s and 70s rock and roll - ALL OF IT!

## Calendar

# APRIL 2023

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<b>23</b>  Happy Birthday Vic Markwalter!	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> <b>PCEA EVENT</b> April Social Spring Lakes Clbhs 6:PM to 8PM BYOB RSVP to Scott Gunter	<b>26</b> BOARD EVENT Board Meeting 8:AM Sunrise Grill 3830 Washington Rd Martinez, GA 30907	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>																																																																																				
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## **Member Meeting Thursday, April 13**

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Members and guests are welcome to join us this coming Thursday at 11:45 as we enjoy fellowship and lunch at Fat Man's Café and Catering, located at 1450 Greene Street in Augusta, GA.

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## **Board & Committee Meetings**

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The Board of Directors will meet Wednesday April 26<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 AM at Sunrise Grill, 3830 Washington Road, Suite 10 in Martinez to discuss chapter business.

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## **PCEA of the CSRA 2022-2023 Board of Directors**

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<b>President</b>	<b>David Eller</b>	<b>Georgia Drywall, LLC</b>
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## **PCEA Contact Info & Links**

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[www.pcea-csra.org](http://www.pcea-csra.org) - CSRA Chapter Website

[www.pcea.org](http://www.pcea.org) - National Website

Contact David Eller, 706-799-6419 or [david@gadwinc.com](mailto:david@gadwinc.com) for general information and the Golf Tournament.

Contact Kat Sanders, 706-969-5054, [ksanders@cce-inc.com](mailto:ksanders@cce-inc.com) for more information about advertising in our newsletter.

Please e-mail Vic Markwalter [vic@duckdllc.com](mailto:vic@duckdllc.com) for scholarship information. Scholarship applications have been distributed to CSRA High Schools, Tech Schools, and Universities.

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