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## Advanced CREW Experience is an ACE in the Hole!!

Our Advanced Crew Experience group (ACE) has organized several amazing events this year and have many more in store for our CREW members. Below is an overview of their most recent success as well as insight into one of their upcoming workshops.

between \$1 and \$1.5 billion on the state of Georgia in its first five years of operation. The economic growth related to our local aquarium is phenomenal! If you have yet to visit the Georgia Aquarium, what are you waiting for?



### ACE Behind the Scenes Revisited

Where were you on May 28th? If you weren't at the Georgia Aquarium with CREW, then you missed an amazing production!! The ACE Behind the Scenes event was a huge success with 60 attendees who got a back stage pass to experience the hidden side of the aquarium. The Aquarium itself employs around 220 full-time employees, 200 part-time staff, and it brings about 1,000 volunteers downtown on a regular basis. Members were able to get a glimpse of how the aquarium works, how the creatures are cared for and much, much more!

In addition, the attendees heard from A.J. Robinson, the President of Central Atlanta Progress discussing the Aquarium's impact to the city. Attendees learned that The Georgia Aquarium has welcomed more than 3.6 million visitors in its first year of operation. The unprecedented attendance has benefited the city of Atlanta by boosting attendance at nearby attractions and spurring a tourism boom for the entire city. With the addition of the Georgia Aquarium, downtown Atlanta now presents visitors with a ring of attractions, increasing the city's reputation as a leisure destination. A study conducted by Georgia State University estimated that the aquarium will have an impact of

### ACE LEED Certification

Have you thought about becoming LEED certified? Not sure where to start? Well we've got just the thing for you! CREW and the ACE Committee are pleased to bring to you a full day LEED Workshop that will prepare you for the LEED certification test.

This members' only event, brought to you by Southface Energy Institute and hosted at The Atlanta Community Food Bank, is a cram course that will give you much needed information about Leadership in Energy and Environment Design (LEED) and will provide you with the most up to date tools to make an immediate impact on your buildings' performance. You'll learn what Green Building is all about, what benefits you receive from Green Building, an overview of the LEED process and the LEED categories.

Space is limited to 25 people, so keep an eye out for more details and a registration link soon. Mark your calendars for Tuesday July 15th from 7:30 am - 5:00 pm. You don't want to miss this!

Stay tuned for more ACE events to follow, including an inspirational breakfast with Leo Wells in July and a co-sponsored event with the Appraisal Institute in September.

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## 2008 Network Convention and Marketplace

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Join leaders in commercial real estate from across North America October 15 - 18 as we explore this new day in commercial real estate and what it means for your success. Location: Hilton Americas Houston.

## Save the Date!

### ACE LEED Class

July 15, For Members Only; Limited to 25 members.

### ACE Inspirational Breakfast with Leo Wells

July 23, 7:30 am; Location tbd

### ACE and Appraisal Event:

**The 7th Annual State of Atlanta... Is Atlanta Burning Again?**

September 26. Click [HERE](#) for more details.

## CREW Network Scholarship Deadline Extended

The deadline to submit an application has been extended to June 20. Up to ten \$10,000 scholarships are available to be awarded annually to junior or senior level undergraduate students to cover the costs of tuition and books. For more information visit our website at <http://crewcareerzone.org/>.

## Event Sponsorships Still Available

Sponsorships are still available for \$2,500. Please contact Karrie Westphal at [execdirector@crewatlanta.org](mailto:execdirector@crewatlanta.org) or 404-471-1110 if interested.

## Re:Focus on Careers

is the premier networking organization dedicated to providing its members with the tools necessary to grow and promote business relationships, create and develop job leads and contacts, and continue on a successful career path throughout the lifecycle of their careers. CREW Members are invited to attend the meetings and workshops. Details about speakers, topics, venues, are found on the website, [www.refocusoncareers.com](http://www.refocusoncareers.com)

## 2008 Capital Campaign Update

We have reached or exceeded our goals for Chapter Sponsorships and Event Sponsorships. We are currently at 73% of the Personal Pledge portion of our campaign! We have collected \$36,602 to date—only \$13,398 to go! If you have not contributed, please consider donating to this very worthy cause. Contact Capital Campaign Managers Leslie Burke at 770-395-6588 or [leslieatlanta@msn.com](mailto:leslieatlanta@msn.com), or Karrie Westphal at 404-471-1110 or [execdirector@crewatlanta.org](mailto:execdirector@crewatlanta.org).

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