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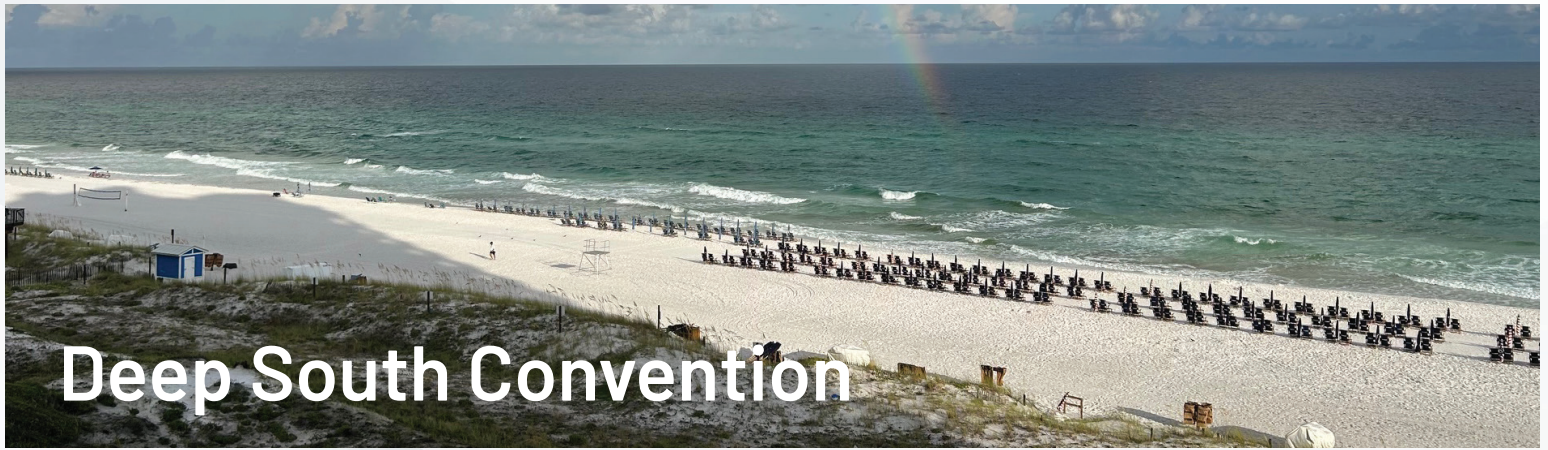
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A large contingent of ACEC/MS members attended this summer’s annual ACEC Deep South Convention and Trade Show held at the Sandestin Golf and Beach Resort. Our members joined owners and key principals from premier engineering and service provider firms from Mississippi, Alabama, Arkansas, and Louisiana.

Over 130 people attended the event, including representatives from ACEC/National, trade exhibitors and a host of outstanding speakers. During the main dinner banquet, our ACEC/MS Executive Committee members were sworn in after enjoying a very entertaining magician/comedian.

While the business side of the convention was informative and beneficial, members and their families also enjoyed relaxing at the beach, playing golf, enjoying the Gulf’s delicious cuisine, taking in the outstanding amenities of the resort and area, and participating in a fun, competitive cornhole tournament which helped raise money for our ACEC/MS PAC.

We encourage you and your family to make plans to attend next year’s convention to be held again at the Sandestin Golf and Beach Resort scheduled for July 22-25. We are researching options for a different venue for 2027.





Roosevelt Day 2025

This year's Roosevelt Day was a great opportunity for our members to hear from speakers from state agencies and organizations like MDOT, MSDH, MDEQ, USDA, and State Aid, among others. Held at the Ag Museum in Jackson on September 11, the event was very successful, with outstanding participation from our attendees who asked questions and offered comments on issues related to their firms and their work.



Engineering Excellence Awards

For our members who are interested in entering a project in our 2026 Engineering Excellence Awards, the Intent to Enter form is due by November 7! Final projects are due by January 9.

Check for emails from ACEC/MS with more information including the entry form and guidelines, and the information will also be posted on our website at acecms.org.

Congressman Michael Guest

On Friday, July 18th, Congressman Michael Guest met with ACEC/MS members at our downtown office. Congressman Guest received a PAC donation from ACEC/MS and provided us with an update, and he took questions not only on issues affecting the engineering profession on Capitol Hill but also on a local level. Congressman Guest is well-versed on our issues, coming from an engineering family, and has been a great friend of ACEC on national and state levels.

SAVE THE DATE

Begins January 6, 2026
2026 Mississippi Legislative Session

Date and Location TBD
2026 ACEC/MS Winter Meeting

May 3-6, 2026
ACEC National Convention and Legislative Summit
Grand Hyatt/Washington, DC

July 22-25, 2026
2026 ACEC Deep South Convention and Trade Show
Sandestin Golf and Beach Resort

October 25-28, 2026
ACEC National Fall Conference
Phoenix, AZ



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WEEKEND AT THE DAUGHTRY CABIN AT ONE BOOT RANCH

Enjoy a weekend in the 130-Year-Old Daughtry Cabin at the One Boot Ranch. Located in Seminary, Mississippi, the 100-acre property has many outdoor activities on-site or in the nearby communities: a pet-friendly retreat to relax with a good book on the porch, a fishing rod on the pond, or a game of skeet at the gun range. Make it a quiet weekend, or bring the family with room for six. The activities are almost unlimited.

On-Site Amenities

- Porch sitting at its best
- Mowed paths throughout the property
- Fishing tackle and bait provided
- Outdoor games - cornhole, horseshoes, ring toss
- Bird watching
- Skeet range - shells and clays provided
- Rifle and pistol range

Area Attractions

- Longleaf Trace (15 miles)-Bicycles provided
- Okatoma Creek Canoeing (9 miles)
- University of Southern Mississippi (20 miles)
- Hattiesburg Zoo (22 miles)

Buy Your Tickets for our PAC Raffle!

Purchase your tickets now for our PAC Raffle, which benefits the National ACEC Political Action Committee. Look for the form in our upcoming member emails. Also, anyone who donates to our PAC, regardless of if they fill out the cabin form, will be automatically entered to win. For every \$50 donated, one entry will be entered. PAC donations can be made at our website, acecms.org, through the Member Portal.

Oxford Social

ACEC/MS held a North Mississippi social on July 31st in Oxford at Back 9 on the square. Our members had a great time socializing and playing some virtual golf. We hope to have more local events for our members in 2026!



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North MS Social
JULY 31 6PM – 8PM
BACK 9 ON THE OXFORD SQUARE
308 S Lamar BLVD, Oxford, MS 38655

Please RSVP by July 14 to Blake Kirby at blake.kirby@neel-schaffer.com

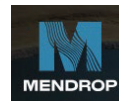
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Fall Meeting

Don't miss our Fall Meeting, coming up soon on November 19! The one-day event will be held at The Gulfport Yacht Club on the beautiful Mississippi Gulf Coast.

We are sending out regular emails with the registration form included, and you can also register at our website.

We will have a social the night before the meeting on November 18. More details to come soon.



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