



SAVE Offers Large Selection of Pre-Conference Workshops

The 2010 Annual Conference offers a larger than usual selection of pre-conference workshops to serve members and anyone pursuing certification or recertification. They are:

- **Module I Basic Certification Training Workshop:** This approved, 40-hour course is required for all levels of certification. It will run Thursday, June 3, through Monday, June 7, and will not conflict with conference attendance. **Ginger R. Adams, CPF, CVS-Life, FSAVE and Michael S. Adams, NCARB, AIA, CSI, PP, CVS-Life** will teach the course.
- **Module II Advanced Certification Training Seminar:** This approved 24-hour workshop is required for CVS certification. It will run Saturday, June 5, through Monday, June 7, and not conflict with conference attendance. The seminar will be taught by **Randy S. Thomas, CVS, and Les M. Thomas, PE, CVS-Life.**
- **Choosing by Advantages: Sound Decisionmaking:** The CBA decisionmaking system includes methods for very simple decisions, very complex decisions, and those between very simple and very complex. CBA developer **Jim Suhr** will teach this 24-hour workshop, which will run Saturday, June 5, through Monday, June 7.
- **Differentiating Your VE Services:**

This workshop is an opportunity for you to devote time to thinking and planning about what makes you different from your competitors. What are the true benefits of doing business for your current and prospective clients? This workshop will combine short periods of lecture followed by group discussion, independent reflection, and small group work. This course will be taught **Sunday morning, June 6, by Lisa M. Mitten, CVS.**

- **Enhanced Brainstorming Using TRIZ:** Most VE projects use FAST diagrams to reveal cause-and-effect in a system. Following this, traditional brainstorming methods are used to identify opportunities to improve system functioning. This 2-day workshop will provide a structured approach to brainstorming that is based on the fundamentals of TRIZ. **John Borza, PE, AVS, TRIZ MBB** and **Peter Hanik, PE, TRIZ MBB** are back with this popular 16-hour workshop. It will be held June 6 and 7.
- **FAST Diagramming: A Hands-On Refresher Course:** Whether you need to do FAST diagramming periodically in your job or are preparing for a SAVE certification exam, **this class will provide you with the knowledge and practice to make you proficient in FAST.** This 4-hour, CEI workshop will be taught **Sunday**

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We're going to Disneyland!

By Chili Cilch

Yes, there's Disneyland and its sister park, California Adventure, Knott's Berry Farm, Universal Studios, Six Flags Magic Mountain, Legoland, and Sea World all within a 110 mile radius of the Queen Mary. Money is tight these days and trip combining is a great way to economize. So bring along your kids and/or grandkids and extend your conference trip by a few days. For 2010, Disney wants to inspire one million people to volunteer a day of service with their "Give a day, get a Disney Day" program. What a great way to share the importance of volunteerism with your children and save yourself the cost of a \$72.00 admission. To find out participating non-profit organizations in your area, visit www.disney.com and click on the "parks" tab.



If you're looking to head down the scenic coastline to San Diego, consider spending a day at Sea World or Legoland, especially if you'll be escorting younger tikes. "Bob the Builder™ In 4-D: Bob the Builder and the Roller Coaster" is showing exclusively to LEGOLAND

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afternoon, June 6, led by **David C. Wilson, P. Eng., CVS, CPF.**

- *Function Analysis System Techniques: Beginner thru Advanced:* This two-day workshop will help the practitioner learn FAST and what it can accomplish (its functions and benefits). Veteran instructor Bruce Lenzer, CVS-Life, FSAVE, CQM/OE leads students through novice, intermediate, and advanced stages of FAST diagramming in this 16-hour course on June 6 and 7.
- *Life Cycle Costing:* Whether you need to do life cycle costing periodically in your job or are preparing for a SAVE certification exam, this class will provide you with the knowledge and practice to make you proficient in basic life cycle costing. The 4-hour CEI workshop will be taught the morning of June 6 by **Charles MacDuff, PE, CVS-Life, CCE, LEEd AP** and **Muthiah Kasi, CVS-Life, FSAVE, and Michael Goodkind, Ph.D., PE, SE, CVS.**
- *Risk Management for Design & Construction:* **Rob Stewart, PMP, CVS-Life, FSAVE** returns with his popular 2-day course and will be assisted by **Gregory Brink, AVS, PMI RMP.** Participants will develop competency in the application of risk management techniques. The theory and techniques learned in this course will help improve

project outcomes if applied in a timely and conscientious manner. The 16-hour course runs June 6 and 7.

- *Value Engineering for Project Managers:* Project managers are receiving more and more pressure to deliver their projects for lower construction costs, without sacrificing performance. Value engineering (VE) is the best tool available for accomplishing that. This course will give you, as a project manager, the understanding of value engineering, what it can and cannot do, and how to use it on your projects to improve project performance and reduce project cost. **Don Stafford, PE, CVS-Life** will teach this 8-hour, CEI course on Monday, June 7.
- *Value Engineering in School Design & Construction:* Learn how to implement value engineering on school projects for the benefit of students, faculty, administration, and taxpayers. This 8-hour workshop will be held on June 6 and taught by **Dr. Usama Badawy.**

Online registration will be operational by March 15, 2010. The conference program describes the workshops in greater detail and lists tuition fees. Download the conference program, uploaded to the conference details web page on the SAVE Web site.

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Parks worldwide. Bob the Builder™ and his Can-Do-Crew demonstrate teamwork and follow-through as they learn the importance of starting each building project with a plan. The park is open daily during the summer. Check out www.legoland.com for more information on attractions and admission. A personal favorite is Sea World. Located in the heart of Mission Bay, Sea World provides an entertaining education on aquatic life. If you go, make sure to visit the Wild Arctic exhibit. Sea World also offers interactive encounters with dolphins and beluga whales for a little extra investment that will buy you and your loved ones a lifelong memory (www.seaworld.com).

If you're looking for Hollywood glamour, plan to visit Universal Studios (www.universalstudios.com) to see how Hollywood magic really happens. Public transportation on the relatively new Metro Rail will get you to Universal Studios from Long Beach. You'll need to take the blue line to the red line. The \$2.50 fare will transport you the 32 mile distance in about one hour and twenty minutes. Find out more about the Metro and where it will get you: www.metro.net.

Last, but certainly not least, are Knott's Berry Farm (www.knotts.com) and Magic Mountain (www.sixflags.com). Both parks feature thrill rides, such as Magic Mountain's "The Riddler." It is the world's tallest and fastest standup roller coaster. Besides gnarly roller coasters and other thrills, Knott's Berry Farm features ghost towns from the golden age of California's mining past, including a Wild West stunt show.

There is no shortage of fun in Southern California for the kids and the kids at heart.

Make Your Hotel Reservation Now!

The Queen Mary is accepting room reservations for the SAVE International 2010 Annual Conference. Room rates are \$164 per night for single and double occupancy. To qualify for the group rate, use the group code when making your reservation: **SAVEI**. Call the Queen Mary toll free at (800) 437-2934 or direct at (562) 432-6964. You can also reserve guest rooms online at www.queenmary.com.