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Bolden Nominated as NASA Administrator

President Obama selects Columbia, SC native to lead Agency

COLUMBIA, SC—GCBDDPA will kick-off this year's **Technology Summit** at the Marriott Columbia, Saturday, June 13, 2009 at 8:30 AM. Earl A. Pace, Jr. (above), National BDPA Co-Founder, will provide the keynote address.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. – NASA | May 23, 2009

President Barack Obama announced his intent to nominate the following individuals for key administration posts: General Charles Bolden, Administrator of NASA and Lori Garver, Deputy Administrator of NASA.

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◀ **Photo: NASA Hubble Telescope**

Almost 20 years after helping launch the Hubble Space Telescope, Charles F. Bolden Jr. (inset), a former Marine Corps combat pilot, major general, and veteran space shuttle commander, has been selected by the Obama administration to serve as the space agency's next administrator. In August of 1990, General Bolden presented slides of the Hubble Telescope to a **National BDPA Technology Conference** audience in Washington, D.C. after his successful Shuttle mission. **bt**

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President Obama said, "These talented individuals will help put NASA on course to boldly push the boundaries of science, aeronautics and exploration in the 21st century and ensure the long-term vibrancy of America's space program."

Major General Charles Bolden, USMC (Ret.) is the nominee for Administrator of NASA. Charles Bolden retired from the United States Marine Corps in 2003 as the Commanding General of the Third Marine Aircraft Wing after serving more than 34 years, and is currently CEO of Jack and Panther, LLC, a privately-held military and aerospace consulting firm. MGen. Bolden began his service in the United States Marine Corps in 1968. He flew more than 100 sorties in Vietnam from 1972-73. In 1980, he was selected as an astronaut by NASA, flying two space shuttle missions as pilot and two missions as commander. Following the Challenger accident in 1986, MGen. Bolden was named the Chief of the Safety Division at the Johnson Space Center with responsibilities for overseeing the safety efforts in the return-to-flight efforts. He was appointed Assistant Deputy Administrator of NASA headquarters in 1992. He was Senior Vice President at TechTrans International, Inc. from 2003 until 2005. MGen. Bolden holds a B.S. in Electrical Engineering from the United States Naval Academy, in Annapolis and a M.S. in Systems Management from the University of Southern California. MGen. Bolden graduated from C. A. Johnson High School in Columbia, South Carolina.

Lori Garver is the President of Capital Space, LLC, and has served as Senior Advisor for Space at the Avascent Group, a strategy and management consulting firm, based in Washington, D.C. She was the lead civil space policy advisor for Obama for America, and she helped lead the Agency Review Team for NASA during the Transition. She has intimate familiarity with the agency and knows well the challenges it faces. From 1998 to 2001, Ms. Garver served as NASA's Associate Administrator of the Office of Policy and Plans. Reporting to the NASA Administrator, she oversaw the analysis, development, and integration of NASA policies and long-range plans, the NASA Strategic Management System, and the NASA Advisory Council. Ms. Garver also served as a primary spokesperson for NASA. Prior to this appointment, she served as a Senior Policy Analyst for the Office of Policy and Plans, and Special Assistant to the Administrator. Ms. Garver earned an M.S. in Science, Technology, and Public Policy from the George Washington University and a B.A. in Political Science and Economics from Colorado College.

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06.12.09 – Growing New *IT* Relationships



Your **GCBDDPA** Main Event

On Saturday morning, June 13, 2009, the Greater Columbia Area Chapter of BDPA, formerly known as Black Data Processing Associates, is hosting a Technology Summit in Columbia, SC at the Marriott Columbia. This year's Technology Summit features a dynamic workshop on Entrepreneurship, a professional workshop on Coaching and Mentoring, and an industry CIO/CTO panel discussion. BDPA's Co-founder, Earl A. Pace Jr., will provide this year's keynote address. On Friday, June 12, the Chapter will host a luncheon and networking reception. See **GCBDDPA flyer on Page 5**.

Nationwide, BDPA members and stakeholders form special interest groups (SIGs) and bonds within their respective local BDPA Chapters to provide emerging technology support along with professional development services for an entire region.

To schedule a BDPA event near you, visit our national website at www.bdpa.org for meeting and event locations or call our national office in Largo, MD at 800.727.BDPA (2372). **bt**



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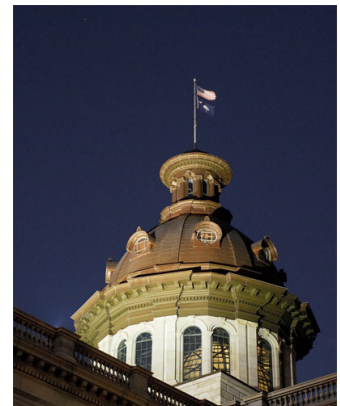
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High School Students - Teams of high school students converge at the BDPA national conference to showcase their skills, teamwork, and creativity as they compete in an intensive 3-day competition. Others will be amazed at the talent and intellect of these students as they bond, compete, grow, learn and enjoy a healthy competitive environment laced with the most challenging technology available.

Corporate Sponsors have the opportunity to meet, greet, interview and network with some heavy-hitters in the IT field. Corporations also have the opportunity to showcase their products and services to thousands of members and attendees. This is an excellent opportunity to recruit qualified IT talent.

Senior IT Executives - BDPA has affiliated with the ITSMF to help achieve their objective. Senior information technology executives assist African American women and men in preparing for senior level positions.

IT Professionals have the opportunity to become engaged in "career possibilities". Our conferences offer professionals the opportunity to explore new IT horizons, to network with IT professionals, and to explore new employment opportunities with corporate sponsors.

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Parents - Come join us! Share the fun and learning experiences with your children in our BDPA Host Chapter cities.

Community-Based Organizations - There is more to learn at our conferences. Technology is HERE! Don't let your organization fall behind because you were reluctant, or did not have the skills necessary to integrate your organization with technology. Many of our seminar tracks will help you better organize your CBO. Learn how to build your organization using technology, strategy, and team building.

Entrepreneurs - A "platinum" opportunity to network with other established firms and business partners in your market. Attending and presenting at some of our workshops are some of the most aggressive, successful entrepreneurs who are willing to share experiences or opportunities with you. **bt**

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Marriott Downtown Columbia

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Keynote Speaker: Earl Pace Jr., Founder, BDPA



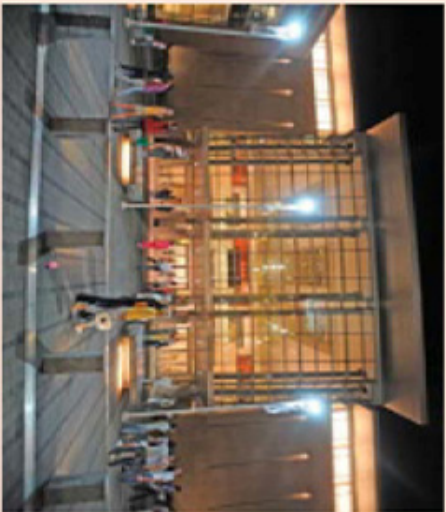
“The IT Professional: Challenges for Today, Strategies for Tomorrow”

Schedule of events:

- Technology Lunch: Friday, 6/12, Brookland Baptist Conference Center \$14.00
- Networking Social: Friday, 6/12, Marriott Downtown Columbia N/C
- Technology Summit: Saturday, 6/13, Marriott Downtown Columbia \$39.00

For registration and information, contact:

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Salisbury Street View of Raleigh
Convention Center - photo by J. Moore

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Charles Brandquist
VP, HR & Recruitment
Credit Suisse

Since 2004 Charles Brandquist has been instrumental in leading the growth and development of Credit Suisse's presence in the Research Triangle Park in Raleigh-Durham, North Carolina. Prior to joining Credit Suisse in 2002, Brandquist was a partner in a boutique executive search firm in New York specializing in the Investment Banking, Technology, Publishing, Advertising, and Insurance industries.



Marc Di Francisco
Founder & President
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Management

Marc Di Francisco is founder and President of Premier Events Management, producers of The CIO Forum & Executive IT Summit, The CIO Forum & Executive IT Summit works with Regional Chapters of the Society for Information Managers (SIM) to administer programs approved by CIO's in each region.



Russ Mayer
Executive VP & CIO
GE Healthcare

Russ Mayer is the Executive Vice President and Chief Information Officer of GE Healthcare, a \$17B division of General Electric. GE Healthcare is the global leader in medical Diagnostic technology, information systems and Biosciences. Russ is a former Senior Vice President of Information Technology and Chief Quality Officer of NBC.



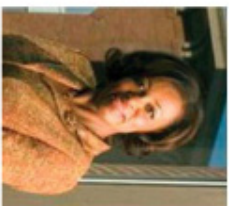
Laverne H. Council
VP & CIO
Johnson & Johnson

Laverne Council accepted her current position at Johnson & Johnson in 2006 as a proven thought leader with a demonstrated track record of achievement that includes a wealth of global experience in information technology, supply chain management, and business operations.



Leroy Hill
President
Yorel

Leroy Hill is President and Chief Executive Officer of Yorel Integrated Solutions, Inc., a company he founded in June 1993. Headquartered in Charlotte, NC, Yorel is a privately held company that works with customers to solve business problems through forward-looking IT optimization solutions.



Gail M. Roper
CIO - City of Austin, TX
Formerly CIO - City of Raleigh, NC

Gail M. Roper has over 25 years experience in the technology industry in the public and private sectors. Roper joined the City of Austin, TX as Chief Information Officer in February of 2009. She is affiliated with various technology organizations that focus on providing technology solutions for community based initiatives.



Martin Davis
VP & CIO
Wachovia Corporation

Martin Davis joined Wachovia in 1985, and has previously held several positions in the technology industry to include but not limited to CIO, Commercial Technology; Senior Technology Officer, Wealth Management; Senior Vice President and Group Executive, Information Services.



Cynthia Marshall
President
AT&T NC

Cynthia Marshall has 27 years of experience in the telecommunications industry, joining Pacific Bell in July 1981 as a Group Manager in Operator Services. After serving as Senior Vice President - Regulatory and Constituency Relations for AT&T California, she was named to her current position in January 2007.



Dr. Lenny Superville
Chairman & CEO
Infosysarchitecture

Dr. Lenny Superville is CEO of Infosys-architecture and has over 30 years of experience in information technology arena with a variety of clients including government, commercial and academic sectors. He formerly served as Certified Government CIO for North Carolina's Office of the State Auditor, and Senior Technology Advisor to the NC State Auditor.

Challenges for Today; Strategies for Tomorrow

Wednesday, 8/5

Opening Ceremony
Adult & Student Workshops

Thursday, 8/6

IT Showcase
Youth Technology Camps
Adult & Student Workshops

2009 BDPA National Technology Conference Events

Friday, 8/7

Technology Expo &
Career Fair
Adult & Student Workshops
Dignitaries' Reception



Saturday, 8/8

Golf Classic
Technology Expo &
Career Fair
Awards Gala

Sunday, 8/9

Prayer Breakfast

Note: BDPA Conference Events and Workshops will be held at the Raleigh Convention Center, Raleigh Marriott and Sheraton Hotels.

Career Upgrade Connections

In 2009, BDPA Chapters invite new communities to grow with us for our next 30 years linking professional development, and community technology outreach programs.



Committees to Chair or Join:

- **Audit/Finance/Sales/Grants**
Invest in our *trillion-dollar* industry
- **IT Programs/Chapter Events**
Host *Interest Groups* and meetings
- **Membership/Services**
Source *non-IT* members for growth
- **Government Relations/Advocacy**
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- **Communications + PR**
Join local BDPA *multimedia* teams
- **Education/Training/Standards**
Develop *courseware*, be a *Mentor*

What To Look For in 2009:

- CES 2009 (Las Vegas)
- America's new 111th Congress
- Inauguration of a new President
- Lotusphere 2009 (IBM | Orlando)
- Black Engineer of The Year Awards
- BDPA Day-On-The-Hill
- ITSMF Symposium and Gala (Dallas)
- SAPHIRE 2009 (SAP | Orlando)
- Tech Summit '09 (Greater Columbia)
- TeraGrid '09 (Washington)
- Regional HSCC Competitions
- National BDPA Technology Conference (Raleigh, NC)
- National IT Showcase (Students)
- National HSCC Competition (Youth)
- Legislative Conference (CBCF/ALC)
- BDPA @ HBCU Football Classics
- Supercomputing 2009 (Portland, OR)
- I/ITSEC 2009 (M&S | Orlando)

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The SC09 Broader Engagement (BE) program is aimed at increasing the involvement of individuals who have been traditionally underrepresented in the HPC field. The program will offer a number of special activities at SC09 to stimulate interest within the SC conferences and the HPC community in general. Competitive grants will be available to support travel to and participation in the SC09 Technical Program by underrepresented groups. We encourage applications from all computing-related disciplines, including research, education, or industry. Consideration will be given to applicants from groups that traditionally have been underrepresented in HPC, such as African-Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Alaska Natives, Native Hawaiians, Pacific Islanders, the physically challenged, and women.

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IT Career Upgrades

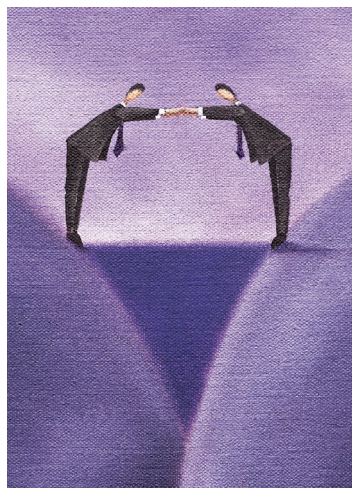
CompTIA is the leading association representing the international technology community. Its goal is to provide a unified voice, global advocacy and leadership, and to advance industry growth through standards, professional competence, education and business solutions.

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Obtaining a CompTIA certification adds to personal credentials and paves the way to more lucrative and challenging leadership positions. Top technology companies like Cisco, HP, IBM, Intel, Microsoft and Novell leverage

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<http://spawar.navy.mil>

Locations:

- Charleston, South Carolina
- Norfolk, Virginia
- New Orleans, Louisiana **bt**

bdpatoday | Florence gets \$100 million battery recycling plant

COLUMBIA, SC—*The State* newspaper reports Johnson Controls plans to build a \$100 million battery recycling plant in Florence that could add up to 250 jobs, state and local development officials announced today. Johnson Controls' new Florence plant opens on a 270-acre site off U.S. 76 near plants from Roche Carolina, DuPont and Smurfit-Stone as well as Francis Marion College. "The proposed Florence facility will be the most innovative battery recycling operation in the world," said Alex Molinaroli, president for Johnson Controls Power Solutions who grew up in Charleston and graduated from USC. Johnson Controls, a Milwaukee company that makes automotive interiors, batteries; air conditioning, security and fire systems; employs 1,000 jobs in the region, including those at a distribution center in Florence and a battery plant in Oconee.

re3 (2009)

At North American International Auto Show 2009 in Detroit, Johnson Controls introduced a hybrid **re3**, (right photo) a smart environment intended to:

- **rethink** ... the interior through innovative engineering
- **renew** ... with sustainable solutions
- **respond** ... by generating consumer appeal



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GREEN IT - Industry Trends and STEM Career Opportunities

OAKLAND, CA—Greener World Media, Inc. is the first media company focused exclusively on the greening of mainstream business and technology. Greener World Media's Web sites and newsletters, led by GreenBiz.com®, are designed to serve professionals and opinion leaders across a broad range of industries and job functions. GWM aims to provide clear, concise, accurate, and balanced information, resources, and learning opportunities to help companies and organizations of all sizes and sectors integrate environmental responsibility into their operations in a manner that supports profitable business practices.

Recently, Greener World Media launched the GreenBiz Leadership Network, a member-based, peer-to-peer learning forum for sustainability professionals. Members of the new network, including senior environmental executives from global 1000 companies, meet twice yearly and participate quarterly on interactive teleconferences targeted to specific business functions such as supply chain or product design, or other pressing issues identified by the group. In addition to documenting those interactions and insights, various teams produce two major themed reports per year which integrate leading practices from members along with other stakeholder inputs. **bt**

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