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President's Message
 By Jerry Jones

As I sit at my desk wrapping things up at the end of a long day, I start to think about all that has happened in 2020.

COVID19, working from home, parents becoming teachers, social distancing, it is all so overwhelming. None the less we persevere. We can always find the bad, but if we look, we can also find the good. Business is strong, the fires are over, the rain has started and most importantly spending more time with the family instead of in the car.

I do hope this message finds you well. Without a doubt last year was a challenging year for many of us and 2021 has not started out like we all had hoped. Whatever your situation, it is critical that we have you as a member of ACEC. Please reach out to others in our great profession and encourage them to join and participate. ACEC is more effective with increased membership.

Our next Chapter Membership Meeting will be held virtually on **Wednesday, February 17, 2021 at 12:00PM**. We will be using the Microsoft Teams platform, so look for your invitation shortly.

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Jerry Jones
 Sierra Chapter President
 2020-2021

Calendar of Events

During the Covid-19 restrictions we will be conducting General Membership and BOD meetings virtually at no charge. Under normal circumstances, the in person General Membership and BOD dinner and lunch meetings are typically held at the Hilton Sacramento Arden West.
 Member Cost: \$50 - Non-Member \$60

Tuesday, February 16 @ 1:00

Sierra Chapter Board of Directors Meeting (Virtual)

Wednesday, February 17 @ Noon

Sierra Chapter General Membership Meeting (Virtual)
 Honoring Past Chapter Presidents

Wednesday, March 17 @ Noon

Sierra Chapter General Membership Meeting (Virtual)
 Young Professionals Forum

ACEC California

Wednesday, February 17 @ 5:00

Casual Cocktails w/ ACEC CA
 President Kurt Yoshii:
 Featuring ACEC National

Thursday, February 25, 1:00-4:00

ACEC CA Board of Directors Meeting (Virtual)

Please visit www.acec-ca.org for a complete list of upcoming webinars and on-line classes.

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This will be a special meeting. Kurt Yoshii, ACEC California President will provide an update on the state organization, Marco Palilla will be introducing the “Tim Fleming Memorial Scholarship” winners and most importantly, this meeting will recognize the

Chapter Past Presidents. Please join us in supporting the past, present and future of ACEC.

Look forward to seeing everyone soon.,

Jerry Jones, President
Sierra Chapter 2020/2021

Past President’s and Tim Fleming Memorial Scholarship Virtual Lunch Meeting

By Marco Palilla, Past President



Tim Fleming
ACEC Sierra Chapter
Past President
1995—1996

Please plan to attend our first ever Past President’s Virtual Lunch Meeting on Wednesday, February 17th when we will recognize and honor our amazing Past Presidents (a complete list is on the next page) and award the 2020 Tim Fleming Memorial

Scholarships! Yes, we gave out two this year and also bumped them up to \$5,000! The scholarship, now in its 10th year, is dedicated to the memory of one of our most accomplished and well liked Past Presidents, Tim Fleming, who passed away unexpectedly in 2010.

This year’s winners are Daniel Vitoria of University of the Pacific (Tim’s alma mater!) and Marifer Barriga of UC Davis. They will both be attending the vir-

tual meeting to be recognized. Please log in and support this year’s winners!

The meeting will also include guest speaker Kurt Yoshii, who is our current ACEC-CA President and a principal with Ninyo and Moore. Kurt will give us an update on what is happening at the State level.



Kurt Yoshii
ACEC-CA President

If you attended this event in the past you know that we have many special guests representing the rich history of our Chapter. This is a meeting you will not want to miss as we award the latest Tim Fleming Memorial Scholarships and interact virtually with the people that created our Chapter’s tradition of excellence.

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ACEC/CELSOC Sierra Chapter Past Presidents

Year	First Name	Last Name	Firm (during Presidency)
1992-1993	Jerry	Aplass	Burrell Consulting Group, Inc.
1993-1994	John	Pitalo	Morton &Pitalo, Inc.
1994-1995	Paul	Enneking	Psomas
1995-1996	Tim	Fleming	Mark Thomas & Co., Inc.
1996-1997	Jim	Ray, Jr.	MacKay &Soms
1997-1998	Chuck	Cunningam	Cunningham Engineering
1998-1999	Terry	Lowell	TLA Engineering & Planning, Inc.
1999-2000	Carlos	Espana	Espana Geotechnical
2000-2001	Eddie	Kho	Morton &Pitalo, Inc.
2001-2002	Les	Clark	Nolte
2002-2003	Steve	Sinnock	Kjeldsen, Sinnock&Neudeck, Inc.
2003-2004	Tom	Blackburn	Blackburn Consulting
2004-2005	Rob	Salaber	Salaber Associates, Inc.
2005-2006	Ron	Heinzen	Kleinfelder
2006-2007	Rob	Himes	Mark Thomas & Co., Inc.
2007-2008	Jeff	Patton	Blackburn Consulting
2008-2009	Christopher	Curtis	CBC Surveys, Inc.
2009-2010	Bob	LoRusso	Salaber Associates, Inc.
2010-2011	Marco	Palilla	HDR Engineering, Inc.
2011-2012	Ed	Henderson	CH2MHill
2012-2013	Steve	Greenfield	Cunningham Engineering
2013-2014	Ted	Hopkins	Shannon & Wilson
2014-2015	Tom	Holdrege	Holdrege & Kull
2015-2016	Harvey	Oslick	Wood Rodgers
2016-2017	Dana	Remington	AndreggPsomas
2017-2018	Landon	Blake	BKF Engineers
2018-2019	Debanik	Chaudhuri	Shannon & Wilson
2019-2020	Kevin	Gustorf	Wood Rodgers

Joint ACEC/APWA Meeting Recap –State Assemblymember Ken Cooley

By Marco Palilla, Grassroots Chair



State Assemblymember
Ken Cooley

We kicked off the new year with our always popular Joint ACEC/APWA meeting on January 8th with our very first Virtual Meeting. Our guest speaker was State Assemblymember Ken Cooley who represents the people of the 8th District. Assembly-

member Cooley last spoke to us in 2013 soon after first being elected to the Assembly. This was also Vin Cay's first meeting as the Sacramento Chapter's APWA President. Vin is with the City of West Sacramento.

As always, the turnout was good with many Sierra Chapter members in attendance. Vice President Scott Lillibridge represented the Sierra Chapter (President Jerry was tied up) and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Assemblymember Cooley soon arrived (virtually from his home office) and jumped right into his pres-

entation entitled "The Road to Your Future Runs Through Someone's Head". He spoke about ways to communicate and collaborate with groups of people to better facilitate their buy-in on new ideas. He talked about how the advent of widespread electronic media has changed the nature of communication. He also talked about the different audiences that must be communicated with including allies, potential allies and unaligned groups and how to reach out to them all. Following his presentation, Assemblymember Cooley took questions from the audience. He spoke at length about the security issues impacting the State Capitol and how the construction of new facilities would alleviate many of those concerns.

After Assemblymember Cooley's presentation and Q&A session, I was able to announce this year's winners of the Tim Fleming Memorial Scholarship (see article in this newsletter for details) and the 2020 Stan Wilkening Member of the Year award winner: Immediate Past APWA President Darcy Taylor, with Ghirardelli Associates.

As with past Joint Lunch events with APWA, this was a great event to kick off 2021!

Membership



The Sierra Chapter is proud to announce the Board of Directors approved and welcomed the following new firms in the past year:

Firm	Month/Yr. Joined	Member Type	City
Myriad Engineering, Inc.	12/2020	Engineering	Sacramento
Hull, Inc.	08/2020	Engineering	Truckee
Unico Engineering, Inc.	08/2020	CM/PM/Survey	Folsom
KCM Engineering, Inc.	07/2020	Engineering	Sacramento
Culp & Tanner, Inc.	12/2019	Civil Engineering	Chico
Redefined Horizons Surveying	11/2019	Surveying	Stockton
Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc.	10/2019	Engineering	Sacramento

ACEC SIERRA CHAPTER FIRM PROFILE

M Y R I A D E N G I N E E R I N G



Myriad Engineering is in its fifth year of business and was founded on more than 20 years of technical knowledge, experience, skills, and abilities. Our mission is to embrace innovation, provide technically sound solutions, and establish lasting partnerships that further the goals of the water industry in our region and state. Myriad Engineering is a certified woman owned small business and DBE consulting firm offering technically sound and cost saving solutions to our clients. Our design solutions make sense to the operators because maintenance and usability are the basis for all our designs. Deana Donohue, PE, our Principal Engineer, has gained a reputation as an accomplished professional civil engineer and project manager in the state of California. Deana has worked throughout California and understands the different challenges our state faces. She has established herself as a practiced leader both in both in her career and within professional organizations as a volunteer.



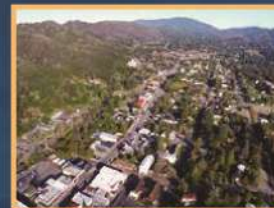
MULTI- SERVICE PORTFOLIO

- Water/wastewater facilities planning,
- Hydraulic modeling,
- Program/project management,
- Water Wastewater infrastructure design,
- Drafting services, and
- Construction administration and inspections.

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GET NOTICED IN THE SIERRA CHAPTER NEWSLETTER!

Would you like to see YOUR FIRM listed in this Newsletter?

ACEC-CA/Sierra Chapter firms in good standing are invited to submit a company profile for inclusion in this newsletter. **Firms that have not been featured in the last two years are invited to participate again.** Contact Scott Lillibridge, Vice President, for submission details.

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