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President's Message
By Jerry Jones

I was playing golf the other day and I saw what I consider the first real sign of spring, "Daffodils". Even with Punxsutawney Phil predicting six more weeks of winter and the vernal equinox not for another two weeks, there is something about that first flower. As does the world so does our industry continue to grow and renew each year.

Last month the Board was introduced to a program "CREATE" which stands for Construction - Re-development - Engineering - Architecture - Trades- Education. The purpose of the CREATE Mentoring Program is to educate and inspire students to pursue career pathways which create the built environment. Mentoring and providing scholarships for our up and coming professionals is one of the most important things ACEC and its membership can provide.

This month's meeting is all about our young professionals. The "YOUNG PROFESSIONALS FORUM". We will have a short presentation from Jordan Blair, SRBX Education Foundation Executive Director and Katie Carbone,

Calendar of Events

During the Covid-19 restrictions we will be conducting General Membership and BOD meetings virtually at no charge.

Tuesday, March 16 @ 1:00

Sierra Chapter Board of Directors Meeting (Virtual)

Wednesday, March 17 @ 12:00 noon

Sierra Chapter General Membership Meeting (Virtual)

Young Professionals Forum
(Invitation link will be emailed soon to members)

ACEC California

Wednesday, March 17 @ 5:00

Virtual Casual Cocktails w/ ACEC CA President Kurt Yoshii (Virtual)

Featuring Erin McLaughlin, VP of Private Market Resources, ACEC Washington, DC

Register at: www.acec-ca.org

Wednesday, March 31, 2021

11:30 am – 1:00 pm

Consultant Procurement & Qualifications-Based Selection Webinar (Virtual)

Register at: www.acec-ca.org

May 10th-14th, 2021

2021 Legislative Visit Week (Details Inside)



Jerry Jones
Sierra Chapter President
2020-2021

Past Presidents and Tim Fleming Memorial Scholarship Award Ceremony – February Virtual Meeting Recap

By Marco Palilla, Director

Our 10th Annual Past President’s Virtual Meeting and Tim Fleming Memorial Scholarship Award Ceremony was another excellent event celebrating the Sierra Chapter. On February 17th, your legendary Past

Presidents were joined by an assortment of members and guests including our Guest Speaker, ACEC-CA State President Kurt Yoshii.



Daniel Vitoria - UOP

Marifer Barriga – UC Davis

Although the parade of Past Presidents was impressive (see the list at the end of this article), the highlight for me was introducing the 10th annual winners of the Tim Fleming Memorial Scholarship, Daniel Vitoria and Marifer Barriga. Remember, we also made a few changes to this year’s scholarship: we increased it from \$2,000 to \$5,000, opened applications to Masters students and targeted two scholarships! Our scholarship review team of Ryan Fleming and Susan Fleming-Bentley received 14 applications and narrowed it down to Daniel and Marifer.

Daniel is a senior at UOP planning to graduate this May with his Bachelor’s degree and his Masters in

2022. Daniel is going to school full time at the moment. Marifer is a junior at UC Davis and planning to graduate in June 2022 with her Bachelor’s degree. She is also working two jobs: one for Caltrans District 3 in their Transportation Analytics, Modeling and Forecasting Branch and the other for the University of California Pavement Research Center. Congratulations again to both of this year’s winners!

Remembering Tim Fleming’s legacy in this way is absolutely a win-win for our Chapter and the schools in our area. Thanks are also due the California Transportation Foundation (CTF), who administers the

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scholarship fund. In addition, the Sierra Chapter Board approved another \$4,000 donation to the scholarship which is now an endowed scholarship!

Following the scholarship presentation, State President Kurt Yoshii with Ninyo and Moore, gave us an update on what is happening at the State level. He also provided an excellent overview of ACEC National and ACEC-CA programs for 2020/2021. A very impressive list of accomplishments in spite of all the constraints provided by the pandemic. Finally, Past Presidents joined us from as far back as 1997,

Chuck Cunningham, up through and including our 2019-2020 Past President, Kevin Gustorf. Thanks again to all the Past Presidents, Kurt Yoshii, Ryan Fleming and Susan Fleming-Bentley, and our scholarship winners for making this another great Sierra Chapter event!



Kurt Yoshii
ACEC-CA President
2020-2021

ACEC/CELSOC Sierra Chapter Past Presidents in Attendance

Year	First Name	Last Name	Firm (during Presidency)
1997-1998	Chuck	Cunningham	Cunningham Engineering
2000-2001	Eddie	Kho	Morton & Pitalo, Inc.
2003-2004	Tom	Blackburn	Blackburn Consulting
2010-2011	Marco	Palilla	HDR Engineering, Inc.
2012-2013	Steve	Greenfield	Cunningham Engineering
2013-2014	Ted	Hopkins	Shannon & Wilson
2015-2016	Harvey	Oslick	Wood Rodgers
2016-2017	Dana	Remington	Andregg Psomas
2018-2019	Debanik	Chaudhuri	Shannon & Wilson
2019-2020	Kevin	Gustorf	Wood Rodgers

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CREATE Program Coordinator followed by the forum. The panel for the Forum will be Tom Sell, PE, PMP, QSD - Vice President, Principal Engineer with Gannett Fleming; Scott Lillibridge, Associate Principal / Region Manager with Rick Engineering; Rosa Griggs, PE, Senior Engineer with Dokken Engineering; J.D. Christiansen, PE with Kimley-Horn; Missy Pieri, Director of Engineering at Citrus Heights Water District and moderated by Kevin Gustorf, Principal Water Resources with Wood Rodgers.

Please join the meeting and encourage your Young Professionals to attend and bring questions for this highly respected panel. CREATE Program Coordinator followed by the forum.

The next Chapter Meeting will be held virtually on **Wednesday, March 17, 2021 at 12:00 noon** A “Teams” meeting invite will be sent out soon!

Look forward to seeing everyone soon.

Jerry Jones
ACEC-CA Sierra Chapter President

ACEC-CA Legislative Visit Week: May 10th thru 14th, 2021 Save the Date!

By Marco Palilla, Grassroots Chair



Yes, you read the heading correctly, this year we will be holding Legislative Visit WEEK.

We are also going virtual and adding four more organizations: the

American Public Works Association - Region VIII (APWA), the American Society of Civil Engineers - Region 9 (ASCE), the California Geotechnical Engineering Association (CalGeo), and the Structural Engineers Association of California (SEAOC). The official name of this event is:

2021 California Engineers & Public Works Professionals Legislative Visit Week

So mark your calendars now and stay tuned for more details. Those who have attended in the past know this is a great opportunity to meet with state legislators (Assembly and Senate) and promote our agenda.

How the logistics will work with five organizations and the virtual angle are yet to be seen, but rest assured our efforts will be important. An official flyer is attached to this newsletter. More information can be obtained at this link: <https://www.acec-ca.org/page/LVW>



Membership



WELCOME
new members

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.	01/2021	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



Mark your Calendars!

ACEC CALIFORNIA | APWA - REGION VIII

Legislative Visit Week

ASCE - REGION 9 | CALGEO | SEAOC

May 10 - 14, 2021
Virtual

For more information, visit acec-ca.org/LVW

We are proud to announce that ACEC California, APWA - Region VIII, ASCE - Region 9, CalGeo, and SEAOC are for the first time coming together to host a joint Legislative Visit Week! California Engineers and Public Works Professionals will gather virtually beginning on Monday, May 10, 2021 to advocate for infrastructure and other industry issues before our state legislators. Stay tuned for registration details and sponsorship opportunities coming late February.

For more information about the event click the button below.

VISIT ACEC-CA.ORG/LVW

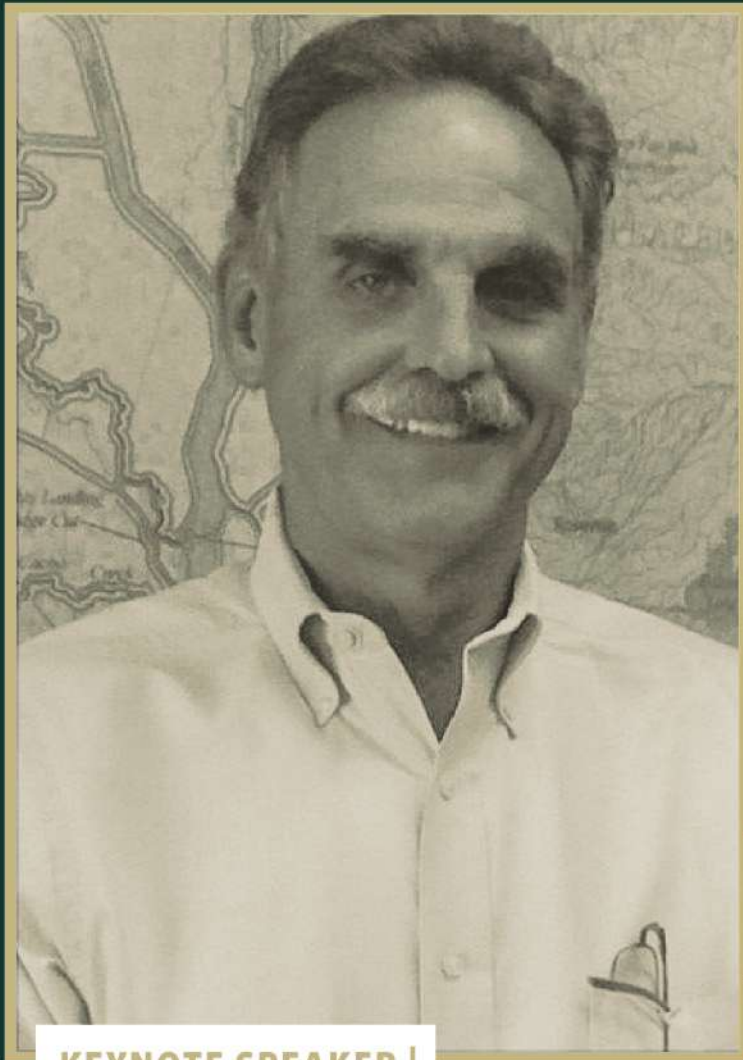
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SACRAMENTO STATE
Department of Civil Engineering



KEYNOTE SPEAKER |

Tim Washburn

SAFCA Director of Planning (ret)

12th

ANNUAL LUNCHEON

WEDNESDAY,
APRIL 28, 2021

VIRTUAL
LUNCHEON

12 PM - 1 PM

DISCUSSING

Managing Water in a
Changing Climate

Register on Zoom

For info, please contact: Ashley Mihok at ashley.mihok@csus.edu

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The Department of Civil Engineering

is hosting its 12th Annual Ken Kerri Endowment Fund Luncheon virtually on April 28, 2021. Sponsors are needed for the event to build the endowment fund. [Register on Zoom!](#)

SPONSORSHIP OPTIONS

EVENT SPONSOR — \$500

- Two reserved seats at the luncheon
- Recognition as event sponsor on luncheon materials
- Company logo on Department's website and promotional material as event sponsor

2021 ANNUAL DEPARTMENT SPONSORSHIP

The department's Annual Sponsorship Program allows firms to make a single donation for multiple events held during the calendar year. You may designate the donation be directly deposited into the Ken Kerri Endowment Fund on the sponsorship form at:

www.ecs.csus.edu/ce/pdfs/sponsorship2020.pdf

KEN KERRI ENDOWMENT FUND GOALS

- Attract top students to the CE program
- Provide assistantship opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students to participate in research projects as part of faculty scholarly activities
- Improve teaching and learning by allowing the Department to bring educators and scholars of distinction on a sabbatical leave for temporary assignments
- Provide start-up support to faculty members to develop their teaching and scholarship activities
- Support the development of new and specialty courses
- Provide for start-up funds for CE faculty to pursue grants and other funding opportunities, Purchase research and lab equipment

For more information, please contact:

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL

JOIN US, VIRTUALLY!

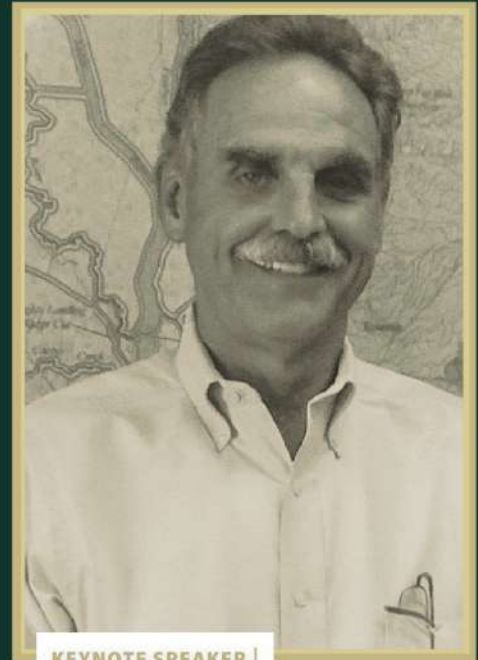
12 PM - 1 PM

The Department of Civil Engineering

is hosting its 12th Annual Ken Kerri Endowment Fund Luncheon on April 28, 2021. Even though the event will be virtual this year, a donation to the endowment is appreciated. Please complete the online registration form for each person attending, coordinate a preferred donation method (as outlined below) and mail it, along with payment by check to:



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KEYNOTE SPEAKER |

Tim Washburn

SAFCA Director of Planning (ret)

Register on Zoom

For info, please contact: Ashley Mihok at ashley.mihok@csus.edu

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MAIL-IN DONATION FORM

A donation to the endowment is highly appreciated.

Yes, I would like to contribute to the Ken Kerri Endowment Fund with a donation of: \$25 \$50 \$100 Other \$ _____

You may send a check by filling this mail-in donation form, or you may donate online at: [Sacramento State's secure webpage](#).

▼ Please make checks payable to:
Civil Engineering Department, Sac State

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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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