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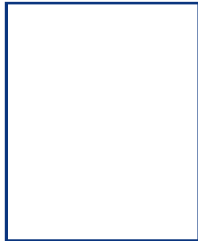
SEAOSC

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NEWS

President's Message

For the past two issues of the Newsletter, we have been discussing some of the impacts to our profession with the movement toward national building standards. FEMA was an early player in this movement bringing the viewpoint that Federal monies have to have national application and not just address regional issues. While SEAOC members have made significant contributions to FEMA



funded methodologies, the process has bypassed the UBC with its traditional SEAOC participation. With the transition to the new IBC, the SEAOC involvement has been

replaced by adoption of national standards, such as AISC, ACI, and ASCE.

RESTRUCTURE COMMITTEES?

We need to restructure our committees and procedures if we are to maintain a presence in the code development process. Representatives from all four California SEA's met in an October planning session to chart our future efforts. Results of this meeting will be discussed in the next Newsletter.

TWO-TIERED LICENSING

Codes are not the only aspect of structural engineering moving toward a national standard. There is a strong interest in provid-

ing a national criterion for licensing to also be a national consensus. In this vein ASCE is trying to develop interest in a single tier national qualification standard. The two-tiered system reported in last month's issue, which is favored by many SEAOC members, got a push forward recently from NCSEA.

CERTIFICATION COMMITTEE

At the Eighth Annual Meeting of the National Council of Structural Engineers Associations (NCSEA) on Saturday, Sept. 16, 2000 in San Antonio, Texas, NCSEA took a precedent-setting step regarding board certification of structural engineers. NCSEA voted to have the ad hoc Certification Committee, formed to study the feasibility of certification, become a standing Certification Committee, to develop a model for board certification of structural engineers. Upon completion, the certification model will be presented to the NCSEA membership for action.

NCSEA previously passed a resolution supporting the concept of separate licensing of structural engineers. The proposal for certification would keep licensing of structural engineers with the states but would promote specialty certification by a board of professional peers similar to the method used by the medical profession.

James Hill,
President

L.A. Dinner Meeting

Wednesday, Nov. 1

Program: S.E. Licensing Issues

Speaker: Bill Warren, S.E.

Location: Luminarias Restaurant,

Monterey Park

Menu: Chicken Marsala

Time: Social hour: 5:30 p.m.

Dinner: 6:30 p.m.

Program: 8 p.m.

Cost: \$24

(Full-time, undergrad students: \$10)

(See blue insert for reservation form and details.)

Orange County Dinner Meeting

Wednesday, Nov. 8

Program: Field Trip: Tour and Demo of Shake Table

Location: U.C. Irvine Structural Testing Facilities

Menu: Box lunch

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Cost: \$24

Contact: David Pomerleau. Email: dpomerleau@fwcse.com

November Calendar

1	Noon	December Newsletter Deadline	
	2:30 p.m.	SEAOSC Board Meeting	Luminarias Restaurant
	5:30 p.m.	L.A. Dinner Meeting	Luminarias Restaurant
8	5:30 p.m.	Orange County Dinner Meeting	Costa Mesa Country Club
14	2 p.m.	QAC Meeting	SEAOSC Offices
	4 p.m.	Existing Buildings Committee	SEAOSC Offices
29	Noon	January Newsletter Deadline	

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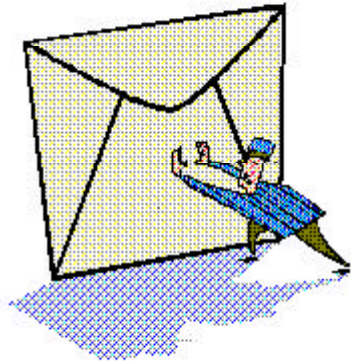
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Letter to the Editor

Sept. 18, 2000



As the President of the Structural Engineers Association of Arizona (SEAOA), I wish to express our appreciation for your time and effort in hosting our web site. We recognize that valuable time and effort on the part of SEAOSC, and Mr. Shafat Qazi in particular, was used in setting up the web hosting. Mr. Mark Sipes, web master fo SEAOA, was able to easily construct and currently maintains our web site on your server. We have been able to use this as a valuable tool in enhancing communication within our organization as well as among other organizations. I believe that this collective effort by members of our Associations is a working example of our mission to enhance the field of structural engineering through effective communication.

Again, thank you for your assistance, the SEAOA will hold SEAOSC as an honorary member of our organization.

Sincerely,
Bruce C. Barrera, P.E.
President

Beavers Retires From Concrete Masonry Association Of California and Nevada

Stuart R. Beavers, who has served as executive director of the Concrete Masonry Association of California and Nevada since its inception in 1978 and the masonry industry for over 40 years, has retired.

Beavers began as a masonry contract in Southern California prior to beginning his association work. He founded Modern Masonry Inc. in 1956 and served as president of the California Conference of Masonry Contractor Associations 1966-67. In 1973 he became Director of the unit Masonry Association of San Diego and Imperial Counties and also served as director of the Masonry Contractors Association of San Diego.

He has chaired numerous committees including task groups, subcommittees and committees of the Masonry Standards Joint Committee, the American Society of Testing and Materials, the National Concrete Masonry Association, the Masonry Industry Code Council, the Masonry Alliance for Codes and Standards, Masonry Groups West and The Masonry Society.

Vila Mujumdar has been named to take over the Executive director position vacated by Beavers. Dr. Mujumdar worked for the Division of the State Architect, State of California, for over eight years, including seven years as chief of operations and chief of regulation

services. Dr. Mujumdar served in numerous leadership roles in many technical organizations and developed a coalition of industry leaders for the organized advancement of earthquake technologies. Prior to his public service, Dr. Mujumdar was in private industry for over 25 years. He is a registered structural engineer in California and holds a master of business administration degree and a doctorate in public administration in addition to a master's degree in civil engineering.

Vote Yes on Prop. 35!

SEAOC PLEDGES \$10,000, SEAOSC \$2,000 -- WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Proposition 35 will change the California State Constitution to give state and local governments the flexibility to retain private sector engineers and architects to work on thousands of overdue highway, rail and other public works projects -- and to get them done sooner.

A Yes Vote means: local schools, hospitals, towns, cities, and counties, would be allowed to choose engineers, architects and contractors for schools, transportation and water projects. It removes the roadblock to getting traffic moving faster, making our state safer from earthquakes and to saving money. The roadblock is a series of lawsuits by a small group of Caltrans bureaucrats. So even though Caltrans has more work than it can handle, those bureaucrats want to keep all the work in-house. Even though they can't do all the work, they don't want anyone else doing it either. Estimates say Prop. 35 will create at least 40,000 jobs and will save taxpayers \$2.5 billion a year in costs related to transportation alone.

A No Vote means: No choice. Government bureaucracy gets even larger. More time to wait for needed projects. More tax dollars to pay salaries and rent. Spending more money for your community projects.

YOUR HELP NEEDED TO GET OUT THE YES VOTE

Be sure all employees of your firm, not just engineers, are aware of the importance of voting for 35. Urge them to go to the polls or get an absentee ballot and vote YES.

To email a friend or colleague about Prop. 35, go to <http://www.yesprop35.com/card.html>.

For more general information, visit the campaign web site at <http://www.yesprop35.com>.

VOTING BY MAIL ENCOURAGED

The fail-safe way to register your YES vote for Prop. 35 is to vote by absentee ballot in case of unforeseen events that could keep you from voting on election day. For information on absentee voting, go to http://www.ss.ca.gov/elections/elections_m.htm. But you can't vote if you're not registered to vote. For info on registering, visit www.yesprop35.com and click on the "campaign HQ" box in the upper right corner. Then click on "Register to Vote". Or go to your county Registrar of Voters' office.

LEGISLATURE HOLDS HEARING ON PROP. 35

The State Legislature held on hearing on Prop. 35 recently. Prop. 35 opponent Sen. Don Perata (D-Alameda) did not attend the hearing, so supporter Sen. Ross Johnson (R-Irvine) served as chair. The Yes side did well with straightforward testimony from Cal-Tax, OE 3, CELSOC and local government. The supporters stuck to the key points about what Prop. 35 does and why it is necessary. The most dramatic moment of the hearing came when Sen. Johnson, after opponents to Prop. 35 repeatedly claimed that government can already contract out, asked a No on 35 representative, "Can you tell me of one contract that has been challenged in the courts and upheld?" Sheepishly, he replied, "No, I cannot."

SUPPORTERS

Prop. 35 is supported by a diverse coalition including the California Taxpayers' Association, Calif. Chamber of Commerce, League of Calif. Cities, Californians for Better Transportation, Calif. Taxpayer Protection Committee, Associated General Contractors, Cali. Building Industry Assoc., Californians for Adequate School Housing, Calif. Association of School Business Officials, Calif. State Assoc. of Counties, Consulting Engineers and Land Surveyors of Calif., American Institute of Architects (Calif. Chapter), California Minority and Women's Business Coalition, National Federation of Independent Business, National Council for Public-Private Partnerships and more than 190 school districts, cities, counties and other public agencies.

NEWSPAPERS BACK PROP. 35

The editorial boards of six California newspapers have suggested their readers vote YES on Prop. 35 Nov. 7. Endorsing Prop. 35 are the San Francisco Examiner, Sacramento Bee, Fresno Bee, Modesto Bee, Santa Rosa Press-Democrat and Visalia Times-Delta. The articles from each paper may be viewed at <http://www.celsoc.org>. So far, no general circulation newspaper is opposed to Prop. 35. To get involved or to obtain more information: www.yesprop35.com or call Taxpayers for Fair Competition at (310) 996-2671.

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Wheeler & Gray seeks structural engineer. Minimum seven years experience in building design, including design of wood, concrete, steel and masonry structures and seismic design. Excellent communication and supervision skills a must. 3452 E. Foothill Blvd., Ste. 600, Pasadena, CA 91107; fax: (626) 432-5858.

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Small structural office has opening for independent engineer for wide variety of projects, including schools, hospitals and custom homes. Please call Paul at Piña Structural, (310) 372-9455, or fax (310) 372-6944.

K.B. Leung and Associates, Alta Loma, seeks a progressive structural design engineer with experience in wood, masonry, steel, concrete, design and detailing, familiar with 98 CBC requirements. P.E. preferred. Communication skills required. Fax resume to (909) 944-7983 or mail to 9320 Baseline Rd., Ste. D, Alta Loma, CA 91701.

Robert Englekirk Consulting Structural Engineers, Inc. seeks self-motivated project engineers or managers to design and manage technically challenging commercial and institutional projects. Good verbal and written communication skills a must. M.S. degree and C.E. preferred. Three to 10 years experience. Positions available in California and Hawaii. Alan.shiosaki@englekirk.com; fax: (323) 733-8682.

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Office equipment: Beautiful Mayline five-drawer oak flat file, 46 inches by 35 inches by 18 inches, \$575. Clark Sandberg: (213) 217-6779.

<p>Tall Buildings Call for Papers</p> <p>The Los Angeles Tall Buildings Structural Design Council requests abstracts for papers for the 2001 Annual Meeting in May, 2001. The deadline for 250-word abstracts of papers to be considered for presentation at the meeting is Jan. 10, 2001. Authors will be notified in late January and papers are due by mid-March.</p> <p>Meeting topics: Challenges in new international tall buildings in wind and seismic regions; improvements and innovations in seismic design of tall buildings; performance-based design, lessons learned in tall building design and performance from recent earthquakes; trends in tall building research; innovations in tall building preservation and restoration; research and performance of connection details, and overall superstructure system selection and performance in tall buildings.</p> <p>Please forward abstracts and inquiries concerning exhibits, etc. to Los Angeles Tall Buildings Structural Design Council, 1660 W. Third St., Los Angeles, CA 90017; Phone: (213) 484-8950; fax: (213) 483-5550; email: bjasc@bjasc.com.</p>	

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