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President's Message

The planning for 2002 SEAOC Convention is well underway. Our Association is the host for the 71st Annual SEAOC Convention to be held Sept. 26-28, 2002. The convention will be held at the Fess Parker Resort in Santa Barbara. The chair

of the Convention Committee is Doug Thompson with Michael Cochran handling the technical program. You have probably seen the Call for

Papers in our recent Newsletters. The theme chosen for the technical program is "Real World Structural Engineering." The program will stress the practical structural design of low- to high-rise buildings and other structures using existing structural design philosophies as well as recent technologies. With the hotel and location, the technical program, and the social program,

you will find it will worth your time to attend this convention. Mark your calendar for the September dates. If you cannot attend the entire convention, I encourage you spend at least a day at the technical session.

Have you noticed our new website layout? We are still in the working stage on some parts of the site, but we hope you find it a little friendlier to use. I must thank Shafat Qazi for his many hours given to the Association in this effort. If you have any ideas or thoughts for improvement on this site please let the SEAOSC Office know of your ideas. We are making a strong effort to have all reservations for dinner meetings and seminars made through the website. This (I hope) makes it much more convenient for our members who would automatically receive quick confirmations and also makes it

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PD&D Seminar April 10 in Costa Mesa

A Practical Design & Detailing Seminar will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. April 10 at Costa Mesa Country Club in Costa Mesa. Topics: "ATC-50: Seismic Evaluation and Retrofit of Existing Buildings" and "Status of Gypsum, Lath & Plaster Wall Panel Tests". Speakers: David Breiholz, Shafat Qazi and Ben Schmid. See peach insert for details and registration.

L.A. Dinner Meeting

Wednesday, April 3

Program: Conexant: Seismic Retrofit of Occupied Semiconductor Plant Using Seismic Isolation

Speakers: John Gavan, KPFF

Location: Luminarias Restaurant, Monterey Park

Time: 5 p.m. Social Hour

6 p.m. Dinner

7 p.m. Program

Menu: Steak

Cost: \$24 (Students: \$10)

(See blue insert for details and reservation form.)

Orange County Dinner Mtg.

Wednesday, Apr. 10

Program: CUREe Research Project

Speakers: Andre Filiatrault & John Hall, CUREe

Location: Costa Mesa Country Club, Costa Mesa

Time: 5 p.m. Social Hour

6 p.m. Dinner

7 p.m. Program

Menu: Buffet

Cost: \$24 (Students \$10)

(See orange insert for reservation form and details.)

April and May Calendars

April

3	Noon	SEAOC Convention Technical Committee Lunch	Luminarias Restaurant, Monterey Park
	3 p.m.	Board of Directors Meeting	Luminarias Restaurant
	5 p.m.	L.A. Dinner Meeting	Luminarias Restaurant
9	2 p.m.	Quality Assurance Committee	SEAOSC Offices
	4 p.m.	Existing Buildings Committee	SEAOSC Offices
10	3 p.m.	Orange County PD&D Seminar	Costa Mesa Country Club
	5 p.m.	Orange County Dinner Meeting	Costa Mesa Country Club
20		SEAOC Board Meeting	San Diego
24		May Newsletter Deadline	

May

1	Noon	Board Meeting	Luminarias Restaurant
	3 p.m.	PD&D Seminar	Luminarias Restaurant
	5 p.m.	L.A. Dinner Meeting	Luminarias Restaurant
8	5 p.m.	Tri-Counties Dinner Meeting	Big Yellow House, Summerland
14	2 p.m.	Quality Assurance Committee	SEAOSC Offices
	4 p.m.	Existing Buildings Committee	SEAOSC Offices
22		July-August Newsletter Deadline	

Member News

James Lai Named Outstanding Alumnus

James Lai, S.E., SEAOSC member since 1966, was presented the Outstanding Alumnus Award of California State University, Chico, during Engineering Week. The award recognizes outstanding alumni for contributions to the profession, to the department and the university and to professional societies. James accepted the award on the annual Alumni in the Class Day Feb.

22, when alumni participate in class and offer students a 15-minute talk on engineering as a career.

“Participating in this Alumni in Class Day has been one of the most wonderful experiences I have enjoyed in sharing my experience with engineers of future,” James said.

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much more efficient for the SEAOSC office.



Again, I would like to remind you of our Los Angeles, Orange County and Tri- Counties Dinner Meetings. You will find these meetings interesting and a very easy way to network with other people in the structural engineering

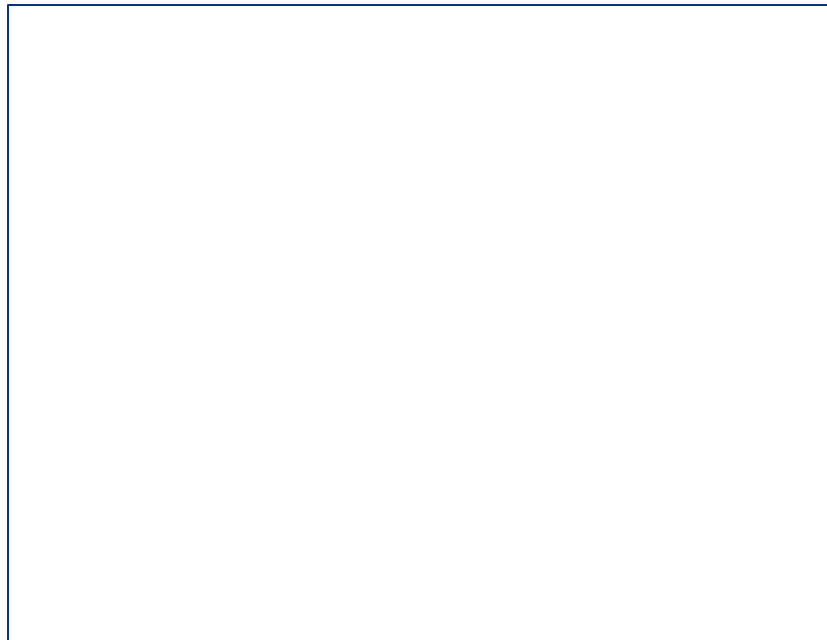
profession. I would remind you of the Practical Design & Detailing Seminar (PD&D) on Apr. 10 preceding our Orange County Dinner Meeting. These PD&D seminars continue to be well attended and provide just one of the benefits of being a member of SEAOSC. They PD&D seminars keep our membership informed of the latest design and construction concepts. The dinner pro-

gram for the Los Angeles April Dinner Meeting will feature base isolation and existing buildings.

Regarding benefits for membership, I would remind you of our publications. You receive complimentary copies of the *Lateral Force Requirements and Commentary* (the 1999 Blue Book), the annual convention *Proceedings*, the *SEAOSC Newsletter*, the Membership Roster, and the state newsletter *Plan Review* from the SEAOC. Also, members receive discounts on over 25 publications listed on our website. I would encourage you to check with the SEAOSC Office if you have questions regarding publications.

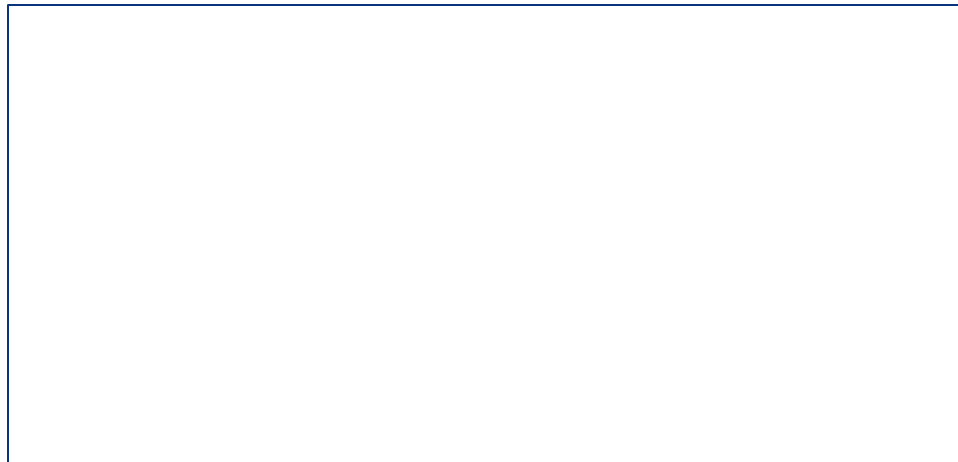
I look forward to seeing you at the dinner meeting and seminars.

Jack Bruce
President

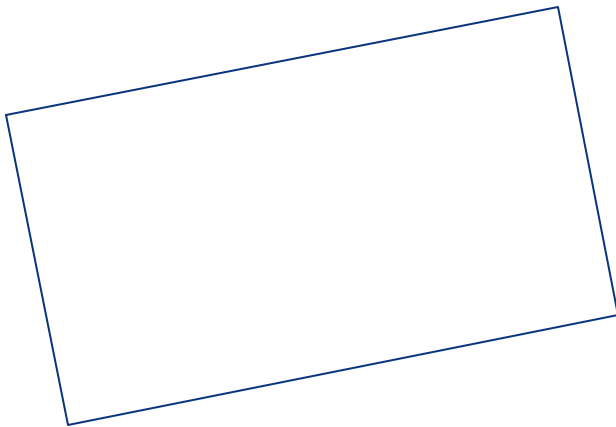


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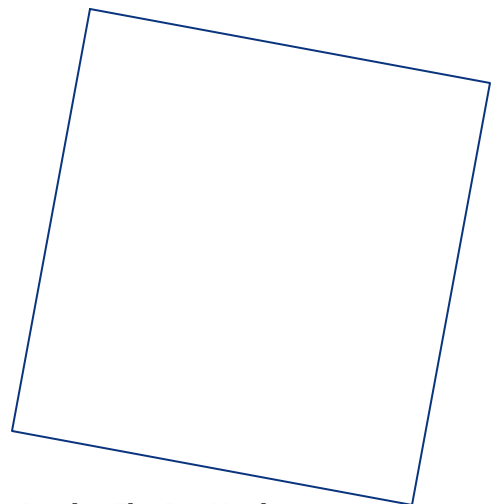
SEAOSC Spouse and Student Night



SEAOSC scholarship recipients and their faculty advisors.



From left: Gert Tobin, Pat Narver, and Betty Christensen.



President-Elect Dan Novak and his wife, Geri.

Scholarship recipients: Christopher Mora, U.C. Irvine, \$2,000; Claire Vukajlovich, Cal Poly SLO, \$1,000; Brian MacRae, USC, \$1,000; Yip Wong, Cal State Long Beach, \$1,000; Ali Monshizadeh, Cal Poly Pomona, \$250; Maria Pavlovsky, Loyola Marymount, \$250; Kaymar Ghods, Cal State Northridge, \$250; Wenbin Zhaung, Cal State L.A., \$250.

SEA Auxiliary coordinators: Nancy Cochran and Diane Thompson. SEAOSC contributors: ABS Consulting/EQE, Breiholz Qazi Engineering, Englekirk & Sabol, Grossman & Speer Assoc., Holmes & Narver, James Lai, Johnson & Nielsen Assoc., Kanda & Tso, LZA Group, Martin & HBL, Martin & Huang International, Morley Builders, R.M. Byrd & Assoc., Saiful/Bouquet Consulting Structural Engineers, SHA Coffman Engrs, Smith-Emery Laboratories, Taylor Devices, and URS Corporation.

Nabih Youssef Fellowships Established at Cal State L.A.

The Nabih Youssef Graduate Structural Engineering Fellowship has been established at California State University, Los Angeles. The Department of Civil Engineering will award six \$3,000 graduate fellowships to new graduate students in civil engineering at Cal State L.A., whose specialty is in structural engineering/earthquake engineering.

Nabih, an S.E., has been a member of SEAOSC since 1977, and has served as a member of the industry Advisory Board of

the Cal State L.A. Civil Engineering Department since 1998. He received the 2000-2001 College of Engineering, Computer Science and Technology Distinguished Alumnus Award. His contribution allowed the establishment of this fellowship in his name.

Those interested in applying for a fellowship should contact Young Kim, Professor and Chairman, at ykim@calstatela.edu or by phone at (323) 343-4460.

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Get involved! Members and interested parties are invited to join a SEAOSC committee. Contact the chairperson for information on current projects and meeting times, dates and locations.

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