AMERICAN COUNCIL OF ENGINEERING COMPANIES SIGNS PARTNER AGREEMENT WITH ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

The American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) announced it has renewed its long-standing agreement with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The agreement focuses on how the two organizations can partner together to better engage the private sector and enhance project delivery.



ATLANTA WEST END COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

The Atlanta City Council approved, with a unanimous vote, the creation of a new West End Community Improvement District (CID). Goals for the metro Atlanta region's newest CID include improving public safety, area beautification and increased economic development throughout the historic neighborhood.

CAMPBELLTON ROAD TO BE CONVERTED INTO "SMART" CORRIDOR

Campbellton Road from Lee Street to Atlanta's western city limits will be converted into a "smart" corridor. With funds from the 2016 transportation sales tax increase, the City will use \$4.2 million, along with \$12 million provided for the project by the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT), to resurface, as well as improve safety features, pedestrian amenities and sidewalks, drainage needs and signalization technology upgrades.

ENCORE PARKWAY BRIDGE OFFICIALLY OPEN

Elected and appointed officials from the state and North Fulton gathered in late June to cut the ribbon on the Encore Parkway Bridge. The refurbished, \$17.9 million bridge over Georgia 400 was spearheaded by the North Fulton Community Improvement District. Planning for the bridge began over a decade ago with a Livable Cities initiative grant from the Atlanta Regional Commission to help improve connectivity in the area.

GDOT BREAKS GROUND ON I-16/I-75 PROJECT

June 16 marked the official ground breaking for the Interstate 16/ Interstate 75 Interchange Improvement project in Macon, Ga. Significant improvements will be made to approximately 2.5 miles of Interstate 75 from Hardeman Avenue to Pierce Avenue, and nearly three miles of Interstate 16 from Interstate 75 to Walnut Creek, with the goal of reducing congestion, improving safety, providing better access to and from the downtown Macon area, as well as general operational improvements. The entire project represents an investment of nearly \$500 million, which includes funding for preliminary engineering, design, right-of-way and construction costs.

GEORGIA TECH RISES TO THIRD PLACE IN DEPARTMENT OF

ENERGY COMPETITION

EcoCAR 3, a U.S. Department of Energy Advanced Vehicle Technology Competition, challenges 16 universities over a period of four years to redesign a Chevrolet Camaro to reduce environmental impact, while maintain-



ing performance. In this Year Three Competition, the Georgia Institute of Technology (Georgia Tech) team rose six places above the prior year's rankings to reach third place overall.

GEORGIA UTILITY CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION FORMS NEW APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAM

The first apprenticeship of its kind in Georgia, the Georgia Utility Contractors Association (GUCA) has formed a new Utility Construction Craft Laborer Apprenticeship Training Program, officially approved by the U.S. Department of Labor, Office of Apprenticeship. The program consists of more than 230 hours of safety and craft training and 4,000 hours of hands-on work process with a utility contractor. Intended to address the industry's labor shortage problem, the program will help provide on-the-job learning to train participants for entry level positions in the utility contracting trade.

GRESHAM, SMITH & PARTNERS EMPLOYEE MAKES CHARITY TRIP TO NICARAGUA

Water Resources Engineer, Annie Blissit, P.E., completed a second trip abroad doing charity work for the people of Nicaragua this March. Blissit first visited Kansas City, Nicaragua with a portion of ASCE Georgia's Younger Members Group in May 2016 to help build a pedestrian footbridge for locals to more safely access community facilities. This year's trip was dedicated to the collection and testing of local water sources – determining the health and safety of the water, and now, back in the U.S., determining a plan of action and treatment options to create clean, sustainable water resources.







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GWINNETT COUNTY COMMISSION CHAIRWOMAN CHOSEN TO SERVE ON REGIONAL WATER PLANNING DISTRICT

Gwinnett County Commission Chairwoman, Charlotte Nash, has been selected to serve as the new Chairwoman for the Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District's governing board. The Chairwoman replaces Dallas Mayor Boyd Austin in the role.

MCCARTHY BUILDING COMPANIES COMPLETES CONSTRUCTION ON SOUTHEAST GEORGIA SOLAR FACILITY

Along with Silicon Ranch and Green Power EMC, McCarthy Building Companies Southeast Division has completed one of the largest solar energy projects in Georgia. McCarthy was responsible for the design, procurement, construction, commissioning and handover of the new 52-megawatt facility located in Hazlehurst, Ga. Construction of the 480acre facility began in April 2016 and now, following its completion, is expected to generate more than 134 million kilowatts of renewable energy annually for the next three decades.

SNC-LAVALIN COMPLETES ACQUISITION OF ATKINS

SNC-Lavalin Group Inc. announced the completion of its acquisition of Atkins in early July. The firm will now have more than 50,000 employees, increasing its customer base, geographic reach and scale on a global level.

WEEK-LONG SUMMER ENGINEERING INITIATIVE FLOURISHES

The 2017 STEM Exploring and Engineering Academy, a volunteer-led program to introduce and encourage high school students to pursue STEM specialties, has completed another successful session. Seventy students were given the opportunity to hear from engineers and business leaders during the seven-day program, including presentations and behind-the-scenes tours provided by General Electric, the Georgia Aquarium, Georgia Power, Novalis and Delta Air Lines, among others. Participation in the program continues to grow annually, especially in the number of female participants – comprising 25 percent of total participants this year.



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The Pulse | ON THE MOVE

ACEC GEORGIA welcomed John Heath, P.E. of Heath & Lineback Engineers as its 2017-2018 Chairman. Heath follows now Past-Chairman Charles Ezelle, P.E. of Thomas & Hutton Engineering Co. in the role. The association also elected three new members to serve on its Board of Directors: Ron Osterloh, P.E. with Pond, Rob Jacquette, P.E. with Wolverton and Holmes Bell IV, P.E. with Hussey Gay Bell.

BURNS & MCDONNELL hired Robert Kisuve, P.E. as a Project Manager for water and wastewater projects in the Atlanta office. Kisuve brings more than 14 years of consulting and project management experience in the U.S. and abroad to the team. The firm also promoted **Nathan Newman** to lead and expand its Global Facilities team in the Southeast.

CALYX ENGINEERS AND CONSULTANTS welcomed Victoria Guobaitis, P.E. to its traffic engineering team as Project Manager. Guobaitis will relocate to the firm's greater Atlanta office from Washington, D.C., where she has worked as a Transportation Engineer for the past six years.

CERM announced the addition of Willard "Junior" Tunnell, Jr. to its team as Survey and Mapping Group Manager. Tunnell has 32 years of land surveying experience and has managed a variety of projects, including numerous roadway database projects, aerial mapping, digital scanning projects, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) flood mapping and wetland mitigation surveys.

FORESITE GROUP, headquartered in Peachtree Corners, Ga., celebrated the achievement of two of its employees who both recently passed the Professional Engineers licensure exam: Suzy Mansfield, P.E. and Randall Stallings, P.E.



Kelvin Tyler

GEL GEOPHYSICS hired **Kelvin Tyler** as the Subsurface Utility Engineering Operations Manager for its Marietta office. In this role, Tyler will be responsible for SUE project management, training and supervising of field crews, QA/QC and manpower allocation. He brings more than 15 years of SUE experience to the firm.

THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (GDOT) announced several position changes in the Office of Program Delivery: Derrick Brown is now the State Scheduling Manager, Charles Robinson moves into a new role as District 1 Program Manager to replace Brown and **Merishia Robinson** will become the District 7A Program Manager as Charles Robinson's replacement. Matt Bennett, formerly the District 5 Program Manager, has been selected to a position in Innovation Delivery and David Moyer has been selected

to replace Bennett. Southwest District Engineer, Chad Hartley,

has retired from his position with the Department after more than 30 years. Hartley has led GDOT operations in District 4/Southwest Georgia since 2015.

GRESHAM, SMITH & PARTNERS hired Tony Marchese as Senior Vice President/Principal-in-Charge with a focus on the industrial market.



Dale McDaniel

HNTB welcomed Dale McDaniel, P.E. as a Senior Project Director and Vice President. McDaniel, who will be based in the firm's Atlanta office, will be responsible for overseeing all aspects of projects, maintaining positive client relations and evaluating alternative strategies to deliver mobility solutions. He has more than 35 years of experience, project and including program

management and design services for airport, transit, highway and bridge projects across the Southern United States.



Ben Washburn



Ansley Threlkeld

HUSSEY GAY BELL announced the official achievement of Professional Engineer licensure status by **Ben Washburn**, **P.E.**, as well as the firm's hire of **Ansley Threlkeld** as Director of Business Development.



Mike Thurman

LONG **ENGINEERING** promoted Mike Thurman to Vice President of its Infrastructure and Land Surveying division. Thurman previously worked as a Transportation Engineer for GDOT, as well as managing Long's employees at the Mercedes-Benz Stadium project in Atlanta, Ga. He will now lead the Subsurface Utility Engineering (SUE), Land Surveying, Transportation and Bridge Design, as well as Construction

Engineering and Inspection market segments for all projects at Long Engineering. Randy Sanborn, P.E. has also been promoted to Vice President of SUE and Utility Coordination at the firm.



Michael Winship



Bill Whittaker

NOVA welcomed **Michael Winship** to its Kennesaw office as Building Envelope Business Unit Manager. Winship brings more than 25 years of management experience to the team, as well as extensive overseas experience and a vast knowledge of building enveloperelated testing and assessments, roof consulting and testing, commercial real estate due diligence services and forensic engineering. The firm also expanded its Buford office with the addition of Bill Whittaker as a Business Development Associate. Whittaker brings 48 years of experience with Atlanta area engineering consulting firms to the role.

POND recently recognized several promotions: Bryan Evans to Vice

President of Corrosion and Integrity Management, Lorraine A. Green, P.E. to Executive Vice President of the firm's Oil and Gas Division, Mark Levine, FAIA, to Vice President of Architecture, Ron Osterloh, P.E. to Senior Vice President and Bob Williams, P.E. to Vice President of Community Development. The firm also hired **Pat Smeeton** to serve as a Project Manager in its Transportation Planning division.

SCHNABEL ENGINEERING elected Joe Monroe, P.E., Director and Branch Leader of Schnabel's Alpharetta office, to the firm's Board for a second term. Monroe has been with the company since 1996 and is a licensed Professional Engineer in six states.



Kate Harris

STANLEY CONSULTANTS announced Kate Harris was elected as President and CEO of the global consulting firm, bringing 25 years of international experience in the construction, engineering and consulting industries with her. She will follow Gayle Roberts in the role, as Roberts takes the position of Chairman of the Board.

TELGIAN ENGINEERING & CONSULTING welcomed new hire April Musser as Southeast Regional Practice Leader of Fire Protection Engineering.



Danielle Easterling

THOMAS & HUTTON ENGINEERING CO.

announced that Danielle Easterling, P.E., a Project Manager in the firm's Savannah office, is now a Professional Engineer in Georgia. Easterling, who passed the eight-hour civil engineer exam to earn the professional licensure, has been working in Thomas & Hutton's transportation department since May 2017.

TOWN CENTER COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (CID) hired

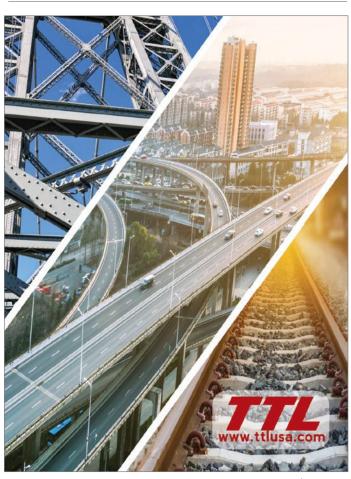
Alisha Smith to oversee the CID's portfolio of infrastructure projects that address the needs of the community as the new Director of Projects and Planning. The CID also brought on Jennifer Cain to develop, implement and manage plans for greenspace investment and quality of life initiatives as Development Director.

UNITED CONSULTING'S Vice President, Beth Harris, CPSM, FSMPS, has been named as a Fellow of the Society for Marketing Professional Services (SMPS). The SMPS Fellows Program recognizes individuals who have made exceptional contributions to the Society and to the profession of marketing professional services in the design and construction industry.



Leslie Gartner

WSP USA'S National Director of the Science and Technology Group, Leslie Gartner, was named an American Institute of Architects (AIA) Fellow in recognition of his significant contributions to the industry and society.



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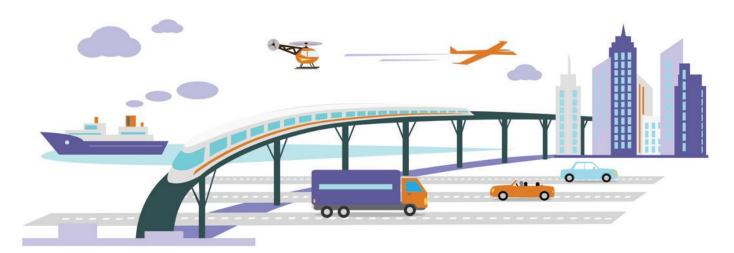
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- 5.08 Subsurface Utility Engineering
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- 6.02 Bridge Foundation Studies
- 6.03 Hydraulic and Hydrological Studies (Soils and Foundation)
- 6.04a Laboratory Materials Testing
- 6.04b Field Testing of Roadway Construction Materials
- 6.05 Hazard Waste Site Assessment Studies
- 8.01 Construction Supervision
- 9.03 Field Inspections for Compliance of Erosion and Sedimentation Control Devices Installations



GEORGIA ITE BICYCLE OUTREACH EVENT

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Silver Comet Cycles 4342 Floyd Road Southwest, Mableton, GA 30126

The first of many bicycle outreach events hosted by Georgia ITE's Safety Committee, this event will

begin with a safety presentation given by Nedra Deadwyler, a League Certified Instructor with the League of American Bicyclists. Attendees will then be encouraged to participate in a bicycle ride along the Silver Comet Trail. This is an open event for riders of all ages and abilities – the perfect family outing for a summer morning!

Cost: Free

Learn more at www.gaite.org



ACEC GEORGIA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. The Commerce Club - Atlanta 191 Peachtree Street Northeast. 49th Floor, Atlanta, GA 30303

Join ACEC Georgia industry leaders for networking, breakfast and a keynote address from Georgia's newest representative - Congressman Karen Handel.

Cost: \$45 – ACEC Georgia Member; \$65 – Non-Member

Register at www.acecga.org



2017 ASCE GEORGIA SECTION ANNUAL MEETING AND AWARDS BANOUET

6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. The 173 Carlyle House 173 South Peachtree Street, Norcross, GA 30071

This event will feature Keynote Speaker Kristina L. Swallow, P.E., ASCE President-Elect, and will honor the following 2017 award winners: Civil Engineer of the Year, Young Civil Engineer of the Year, Outstanding Civil Engineering Award - Small Projects, Outstanding Civil Engineering Award - Large Projects and Outstanding Civil Engineering Award – Natural Environment.

Cost: \$50 – ASCE Member; \$55 – Non-Member (before August 12)

Register at www.ascega.org/event/awards-banquet



ACEC GEORGIA 2017–2018 FUTURE LEADERS PROGRAM KICK-OFF

3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. SunTrust Park

755 Battery Avenue Southeast, Atlanta, GA 30339

To kick-off the 21st annual Future Leaders Program, participants will take a DISC Assessment to better understand their own strengths and weaknesses in both communicating and working with others. Presented by ACEC Georgia, this nine-month Future Leaders Program is the opportunity for up-and-coming engineers to learn basics and best practices from seasoned professionals and presenters on topics such as: accounting, business development, presentation skills and more.

Cost: \$775 – First Attendee; \$725 – Subsequent Attendees from Same Firm Register at www.acecga.org



17TH ANNUAL MEGA MEETING

11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Carlos Center, Ballroom 2500 Clairmont Road, Atlanta, GA 30329

One of the biggest challenges that the A/E/C industry is facing today is the growing need to

recruit new talent. Join us for this year's MEGA Meeting, where we will discuss what Georgia is doing in order to encourage young minds to engage in our industry. Keynote Speaker Ben Hames, Deputy Commissioner for the Georgia Department of Economic Development - Workforce Division, along with distinguished panelists, will address what the state and other organizations are doing to help grow our industry.

Cost: \$65 (Before August 25) Learn more at www.smpsatl.org



ITS GEORGIA ANNUAL MEETING AND EXPOSITION — THE BIG "TWENTY": 20 YEARS OF TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATIONS IN GA

Hyatt Regency Savannah 2 West Bay Street, Savannah, GA 31401

Join transportation professionals from across the state and nation for the 2017 ITS Georgia Annual Meeting and Exposition, themed around "The Big 'Twenty' – 20 Years of Technological InnovaTionS in GA." This year marks the 20th anniversary of

ITS Georgia, and this annual meeting will be celebration of the benefits ITS solutions have brought to Georgia travelers. Planned session topics include: ITS performance measures, connected vehicles, smart cities and coastal ITS projects.

Cost: \$395 - Member; \$550 - Non-Member (before September 1) Learn more at www.itsga.org

2017 GEORGIA TRANSPORTATION SUMMIT

7:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Cobb Galleria Centre 2 Galleria Parkway Southeast, Atlanta, GA 30339

Join ACEC Georgia, the Georgia Department of Transportation, Georgia Chamber of Commerce

and Georgia Transportation Alliance for the 2017 Georgia Transportation Summit! This annual event is the largest transportation event in Georgia and provides an entire day devoted to transportation content - from roads and bridges, to trains, ports and airports.

Cost: \$175 – Member; \$275 – Non-Member (Before September 22) Register at www.acecga.org



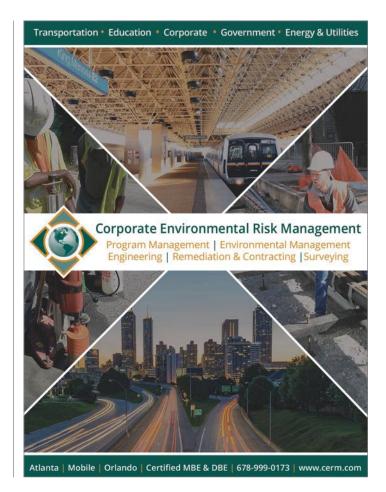
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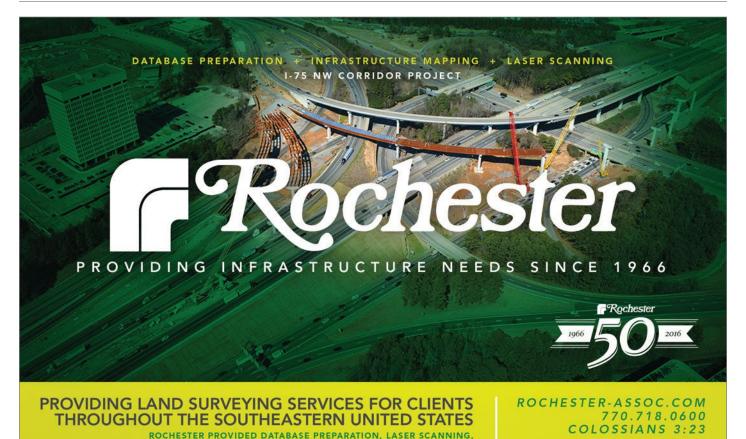
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

The Georgia Aquarium, Oceans Ballroom 225 Baker Street Northwest, Atlanta, GA 30313

Save the date to join WTS Atlanta for this annual scholarship luncheon! The event will feature a silent auction to raise money for the WTS Atlanta scholarship fund. In addition, two undergraduate and two graduate scholarships will be presented to female students in the transportation field during the program.

Learn more at www.wtsinternational.org/atlanta





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