



Civil Engineer THE NEWSLETTER

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Thea Foss Waterway Revitalization Project

Speaker: William Iyall, Project Mgr., Public Works Division, Special Projects Section, City of Tacoma

Tacoma is experiencing a renaissance of its urban waterfront, the century-old Thea Foss Waterway. The Waterway, forming the shoreline for Downtown Tacoma on Commencement Bay, has for the past several years been the focus of intensive revitalization efforts by the City of Tacoma, including waterway restoration, public access, public infrastructure, private mixed use residential development, an internationally renowned glass museum and maritime uses along Tacoma's redefined urban waterfront.

The City of Tacoma purchased 27 acres on the western side of the waterway in 1991 which would eventually become the basis for revitalization of Thea Foss Waterway. On July 5, 2002, Tacoma dedicated its new downtown waterfront neighborhood, with the opening of the Thea Foss Waterway Public Esplanade and the \$63 million Museum of Glass and "Chihuly Bridge of Glass", a pedestrian bridge containing \$5,000,000 of donated art work by master glass artist Dale Chihuly. The "Chihuly Bridge of Glass", spanning a freeway, railroad tracks and Dock Street, connects downtown with the Thea Foss Waterway Public Esplanade. Other development constructed along the waterway includes combining public and private efforts: the \$35 million Thea's Landing mixed-use development, the historic Albers Mill redevelopment, and a public dock and marina. Still further development proposals are underway for the waterway. Tacoma's new vitality is apparent with the \$50 million Union Station Courthouse renovation, the \$40 million Washington State History Museum, the \$124 million University of Washington Tacoma campus, new office buildings, the \$71 million Link Light Rail project and a new \$80 million convention center opening soon. And, a \$90 million environmental cleanup is underway to remediate waterway contamination.

Thea Foss Waterway Revitalization Project Manager, **William Iyall**, who provided the Section with a brief overview of the project at last April's Section meeting, will provide us with an update of the project status and discuss future project phases.

October Meeting

Tuesday, Oct 12

LaQuinta Inn
1425 E. 27th Street, Tacoma,
253.383.0146

Social 11:45am-noon

Lunch: noon-12:30pm

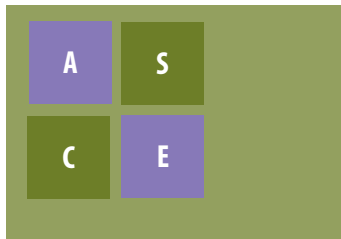
Program: 12:30pm-1:00pm

Deli Buffet includes: soup, salad, dessert iced tea and coffee.

Cost: \$16.00/person

RSVP by
Monday, OCT 11th

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To submit ads or articles of interest please contact the President of the section or the Editor. Information must be submitted not later than the 15th of the month to be included in the next publication.

For address changes/corrections, notify the Editor or the WEBmaster.

President's Corner by Connie Linden

Serving as Section President this past year has been rewarding. I thank the Section members for the opportunity.

This month new board members will be installed, with **Kathy Hargrave**, Section President, **Sue Coffman**, President-Elect, **Mustafa Mohamedali**, Secretary, **Bernie Hargrave** continuing as Treasurer,

"I thank Board and Section members for your volunteer efforts and support of Section programs such as the Section's booth at the Western Washington Fair. Your valued time is greatly appreciated."

Jason Moline, Board Director, **Gus Fant**, continuing as Board Director, and **Wes Jones**, as Younger Member Chair. **Michael Hale** has volunteered to serve as the Section's House Chair. These Board members are a dedicated group who I am honored to have

worked with over this past year. I thank Board and Section members for your volunteer efforts and support of Section programs such as the Section's booth at the Western Washington Fair. Your valued time is greatly appreciated.

A RECAP OF CURRENT ISSUES:

The Governance Restructure proposal, which will bring considerable change to the management structure of ASCE, was adopted in August 2004. For a more complete discussion of the governance restructure forum and implementation, go to the National ASCE website at www.asce.org (<http://www.asce.org>).

The ASCE National Conference will be held in Baltimore, Maryland this month and Board member **Jason Moline** will represent the Tacoma/Olympia Section.

The PNC Fall Conference was held the last week of September. **Bernie Hargrave**, PNC Representative, and **Kathy Hargrave** attended the

Conference as the Section's representatives.

A recap of these conferences will be provided at this month's Section meeting.

In closing, I know the Section is in good hands with the new Board. Thank you again for the opportunity to serve the Section.

Best regards,

Connie E. Linden
Tacoma/Olympia Section President
2003-'04

2004-2005 ASCE Officers Tacoma/Olympia Section

Induction of New Officers

LAST MAY, YOU THE MEMBERS ELECTED NEW SECTION OFFICERS FOR THE UPCOMING YEAR.

At this month's Section Meeting we will induct our new Section Officers. Your presence and support is requested.

PRESIDENTKathy Hargrave
PRESIDENT-ELECTSue Coffman
TREASURERBernie Hargrave
SECRETARYMustafa Mohamedali
DIRECTOR (2-year term)Gus Fant (2nd year)
DIRECTORJason Moline
YOUNGER MEMBER CHAIRWes Jones
PAST PRESIDENTConnie Linden
SECTION HOUSE CHAIRMichael Hale

On behalf of all of our members, I extend a hearty congratulations and the best of luck to all of you.

Section Calendar

Tuesday Oct 12 Section Meeting
see front page of this newsletter for details*

Monday, Nov 1 Board Meeting,
6:00pm, location TBA

Tuesday, Nov 9 Section Meeting
Location and program TBA

Wednesday, Dec 8 Joint Meeting
w/Seattle Section, LaQuinta Inn,
Tacoma. Program TBA.

*DATE/TIMES/LOCATIONS ARE TO BE VERIFIED

Section Meetings are open and held once a month, September through May. Meetings are generally held on the second Tuesday of the month. Locations alternate between Tacoma and Lacey, and times vary between lunch and dinner meetings.

Local Board Meetings are open and generally held the first Monday of the month at 5:30pm. Locations vary. Please check the WEB site, this calendar, or contact the president for confirmation.

<http://sections.asce.org/tacoly/tacoly.htm>

TRANSPEED Courses

The Winter/Spring TRANSPEED Schedule Below is a list of the upcoming courses. Please view our website at <http://www.engr.washington.edu/epp/Transpeed/index.html> for specific course descriptions and dates. Click on the specific course link to view the course outline.

I look forward to seeing you at a TRANSPEED course soon. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me anytime.

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Legal Liability for Transportation Professionals
Septmeber 28-29, 2004, Lacey

Managing Scope, Schedule and Budget CANCELLED
September 29-October 1, 2004, Spokane

Technical Communication for Transportation Professionals CANCELLED
October 7-8, 2004, Vancouver

Administering Consultant Contracts CANCELLED
October 12, 2004, Seattle

Fundamentals of Traffic Engineering
October 13-15, 2004, Lacey

Traffic Signal Timing New Two Day Format
October 19-20, 2004, Seattle

Hydrology and Basic Hydraulics CANCELLED
October 21-22, 2004, Lacey

Roadway Culvert Hydraulic Design
October 25-26, 2004, Spokane

Traffic Signal Design
October 27-29, 2004, Lacey

Roundabout Design Concepts and Guidelines
November 3-5, 2004, Vancouver

2004 Winter/Spring Professional Development Short Courses

For a complete description of the course and registration information visit our website <http://www.engr.washington.edu> or call us at: Engineering Professional Programs, University of Washington, phone: **206.543.5539** (fax) **206-543-2352** or (toll free) **1.866.791.1275**

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Stormwater Treatment by Media Filtration
October 6-7, 2004, Seattle

Writing for Success
5 sessions, October 12, 14, 19, 21, 26, 2004, UW Seattle

Improving Stormwater Management Using Low Impact Development
October 26-27, 2004, Seattle

Biofiltration and Bioretention for Stormwater Runoff Quality Enhancement
November 2, 2004, Seattle

Wetland and Upland Habitat Restoration Design
November 16-17 2004, Seattle

Field Trip: Wetland and Upland Habitat Restoration Design NEW
November 18, 2004, Seattle area

Mentoring and Coaching Workshop
December 6, 2004, Seattle

Effective Project Negotiation Skills
December 7, 2004, Seattle **SPECIAL OFFER!**
Register for the Mentoring and Coaching Workshop and Effective Project Negotiation Skills for \$485 - a savings of \$125

Project Leadership Workshop
February 2-3, 2005, Seattle

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