

Message from the President

Happy 2019! I hope your new year has been going well and good things are coming your way. We had a great start here at WTS Sacramento with our Annual Awards and Scholarships Dinner on January 31st at the Sheraton Grand, with over 300 people in attendance. During the evening, we awarded **\$22,000** in scholarships to young women seeking careers in the transportation industry. Congratulations again to all our recipients! We also had our first monthly lunch program of 2019 in February with Caltrans Deputy Director for Sustainability, **Ellen Greenberg**, who spoke on Transportation and Sustainability.

Many more fun and informative events are in the works! Mark your calendars and save the date for these upcoming events:

- **WTS/APWA Public Works Roundtable** – Tuesday, March 19th (registration is extended! sign up [here](#) by Friday March 15th to attend)
- **Annual Mentorship Program** – last day to apply as a mentor/mentee is Friday, March 22nd
- **March Lunch Program: SacRT Forward with James Boyle** – Tuesday, March 26th (registration ends March 22nd)
- **April Lunch Program: Jeff Werner with the City of Elk Grove** – Wednesday, April 17
- **Spring Professional Development: Lisa Carpenter on Stress and Being a Healthy Leader** – Thursday, April 25

Our Chapter is also in the process of creating our **own website** which will look more modern and easier to navigate. See below for the new website link! As a reminder, if you're interested in becoming more involved with WTS Sacramento, please reach out to me at Lauren.Reinking@jacobs.com

Thank you to our Corporate Partners who are new or have remained with us in 2019! We appreciate your support and look forward to another successful year.



Warmest Regards,

Lauren Reinking, PE
WTS Sacramento Chapter President

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New Chapter Website is Live!

We have a new website! Visit us at www.wtssacramento.org and check us out!

Upcoming Events

WTS/APWA Public Works Roundtable
Tuesday, March 19th
Hyatt Regency
Sacramento
5:30 pm - 7:30 pm



WTS Mentorship Program

WTS Sacramento Mentorship Program is now accepting applications for mentors and mentees!

The WTS Sacramento Chapter Mentorship Program is underway! We are currently accepting [applications](#) for [mentors and mentees](#) to actively participate in our annual program.



Current Confirmed Mentors for 2019:

- Sherri Berexa | Construction Manager, Psomas
- Monica Hernandez | Director of Innovation & Partnerships, SACOG
- Katie Miller | President, Left Lane Advisors
- Oleysa Tribukait | Senior Engineer, City of West Sacramento

All participants in the program will enjoy benefits and learn new skills or strategies to help us move forward and enhance our WTS members' career goals and growth! Please fill out the [application](#) by **March 22nd** to participate in our 9-month program. Participants will receive an email with information about the program schedule, including our kickoff event.

Being a part of the program will include activities such as:

- Listening actively
- Identifying goals
- Sharing experiences
- Building trust
- Encouraging action
- Providing inspiration and corrective feedback
- Connecting with opportunities
- Professional skills development and guidance

Previous mentoring experience is not necessary, see eligibility criteria below. Additional details about eligibility and schedule along with application materials are available on our chapter website at: <http://www.wtsinternational.org/sacramento/mentorship-program/>

For more information, contact Sarah Strand at sarabs@cityofwestsacramento.org.

[Register Here!](#)

March Lunch Program: SacRT Forward

Tuesday, March 26th
SACOG, 3rd Floor
11:30 am - 1:00 pm

[Register Here!](#)

Save the Date!

April Lunch Program: City of Elk Grove

Wednesday, April 17th
SACOG, 3rd Floor
11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Save the Date!

Spring Professional Development Workshop: Stress and Being a Healthy Leader

Thursday, April 25th
5:00 pm - 8:00 pm

New Members

Thank you to the members who have recently joined (or who are returning after some time away to) WTS Sacramento. Below is a list of our new members from **January 1st to February 28th, 2019:**

Wiebke Geldmacher,
DB Engineering &
Consulting USA, Inc.

Erin Holbrook, Caltrans

Kat Hughes, LSA

Sabrina Wallace,
NonProfits United

Sarah Williams,
Paragon Partners Ltd.

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Student Chapter: UC Davis - Update

Last month, the UC Davis Student Chapter hosted a 2-part Career Event Series to provide students the opportunity to hear from, connect with, and gain personalized feedback from established professionals.

At the first event, students heard from Deborah Dagang (WSP) about her experience navigating the industry. The second event was a resume workshop where students got to ask professionals questions directly and got tips on not only resume building, but also on networking, interviewing, and applying for jobs. We were joined by about 15- 20 graduate and undergraduate student attendees for each event.

We hope to continue advancing WTS's goals by providing unique learning and networking opportunities to more students in the community every year.

Contact us at wtsucd@gmail.com or find us on [Facebook](#)! Don't hesitate to reach out.



Thanks again to Deborah Dagang and Kristina Svensk from WSP, Leslie Haglan from Drake Haglan and Associates, Kathleen Hanley from Placer County Transportation Planning Agency, Namat Hossein from Dokken Engineering, and Brigitte Driller from Caltrans for volunteering their time!

Better Know a Board Member - Hayley Quan



In this eNews edition we are getting to know **Hayley Quan** with **HDR** better!

Hayley grew up in the Sacramento area and earned her Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering from CSU Sacramento. She has worked with HDR and is currently working on Transportation projects. Her goal this year is to finish earning her Professional Engineer license.

"I wanted to do transportation because I had an interest in knowing **where** the roads went. I was also encouraged to focus in engineering/design in school - turns out I liked the combination of the two!"

When Hayley was in college, a family member told her about the WTS organization. Once she graduated she became a member, and soon after became part of the Board! She is

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the terrific "webmaster" **Website Chair** - check out the new [website](#) she has been working hard on! Hayley likes being part of WTS and being able to interact with the professionals in the industry. She gets to know professionals who are in different sectors, all at different stages of life with diverse backgrounds and career paths, all leading towards [advancing women in transportation](#).

In her spare time, Hayley likes to see/attend musicals. She has recently seen Hamilton and is excited to track the critics' reviews for Hadestown's Broadway run this month!

Thank you Hayley for your skill and tenacity in creating the new website and for keeping it updated!

Attention Corporate Partners! Have an Employment Opportunity to Share? The WTS Sacramento Job Bank Can Help!

Finding the right job for yourself or finding the right applicant for your organization is critical for business development, yet it can be no small task. The [WTS Sacramento Chapter Job Bank](#) provides an excellent forum for our Corporate Partners to advertise their vacant positions and serves as a valuable resource for job-seekers in our region. Posting a position on the WTS job bank is free for Corporate Partners and \$250 for non-partners.

If you are interested in advertising a position, please contact Hayley Quan, WTS Sacramento Website Chair, for more information.

Contact Hayley at 916.679.8836 or Hayley.Quan@hdrinc.com.

Want to Become a Corporate Partner?

There are many benefits that come with being a [WTS Sacramento Corporate Partner](#).

Please contact Leslie Fung, WTS Sacramento's Corporate Partner Chair for more information.

Contact Leslie at 916.403.5769 or lfung@markthomas.com.

Become a Member of WTS Sacramento

Interested in becoming a WTS Sacramento Chapter Member?

Curious about the membership benefits?

Contact Carlye Buchholz at 916.366.3040
or cbuchholz@reyengineers.com

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