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DINNER MEETING

◊ Tuesday, August 12, 1986

◊ Stevens Steak House
5332 Stevens Place
Commerce, California
(T.G. 53 F2)

◊ \$14.00 (Includes Tip)

◊ For Reservations, call:

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PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS BY NOON ON
THE FRIDAY PRIOR TO THE MEETING

◊ 5:30 Social Hour
6:30 Dinner
7:30 AEG Business
8:00 Speaker
9:00 Section Affairs

SPEAKER AND TOPIC

SEVERAL SPEAKERS WILL PRESENT SLIDES AND
DISCUSSIONS ABOUT THE MAGNITUDE 5.9, JULY 8
EARTHQUAKE NEAR PALM SPRINGS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE JULY MEETING

The Organization and By-Laws Committee met on July 2, 1986, to consider the tax issues and general organization and liability aspects that were presented to Section chairmen at the AEG April Board of Directors meeting. The three basic approaches presented at that time regarding the Association and Sections were:

- 1) A centralized organization whereby the Sections are corporate subdivisions of the Association,
- 2) The Sections maintain independent existence, but are "serviced" by the Association, or
- 3) The Sections are totally independent and do as they choose.

The Committee unanimously decided to follow the procedure of ASCE, supporting approach number one (centralized organization).

"This would, in essence, make the Sections part of the National Organization with each section providing a profit and loss statement each year at a predetermined time to National. The development of individual Section by-laws and corporations appears to be time consuming and expensive in terms of attorney fees. Such costs would be impossible in the case of a Section with the minimum number of members. Such a policy could also thwart the development of new Sections."

The above recommendation was presented to the members at the July Section meeting. The members unanimously voted for approach number one, that is, that Sections become corporate subdivisions of the Association. This opinion will be presented to the Association in written form and will be considered and voted upon at the Annual Board of Directors meeting in October in San Francisco.

The Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board has advised us that it will convene a committee in September to discuss a possible change in Safety Regulation 1542 E-5. This regulation deals with engineering geologists descending into large diameter borings. The current regulation specifies that ladders may be used to depths of 20 feet or less, and that for depths greater than that, a mechanical hoisting device should be used. The committee will discuss whether to do away with the 20-foot limitation, as well as eliminate the mechanical hoisting device. They would like to receive a written opinion from the Southern California Section before September. Gary Guacci would like to know your opinion.

ANNOUNCEMENTS continued

The County of Los Angeles, Department of Public Works has sent us copies of items relating to land development procedures and the proper individuals to contact. We will try to distribute applicable information via the Newsletter over a period of time. Included are such items as: 1) Level of Flood Protection, 2) Flood Hazard Release, 3) Drainage Concept Guidelines, 4) Traffic Studies Guidelines, 5) Street Light Procedures, and 6) Setback Requirements for Flood Hazards.

A motion to raise Section dues to pay for a scholarship fund for students was made and seconded at the July meeting. However, another motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to table that motion.

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Senior Engineering Geologist/Geohydrologist—McClelland Engineers, Inc., Ventura Division, has an immediate opening for a Senior Engineering Geologist/Hydrologist to conduct

POSITIONS AVAILABLE continued

a wide variety of engineering geologic and hydrogeologic projects. Minimum requirements include a masters degree, California registration, and three plus years experience in Southern California. Hazardous waste experience is a plus. Please send resume to: McClelland Engineers, Inc., 2140 Eastman Avenue, Ventura, CA 93003--Attn: Michael Ploessel, Manager, Engineering Geosciences.

Robert Strickland of Engineering and Environmental Personnel of Houston (713) 772-7957 is looking for a registered geologist, with an emphasis in hydrology, to oversee hazardous waste materials, hazardous spills and landfill design operations for a company to be located in the Newberry Park area.

A July 10 news release from the California Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development announced that the Governor's 1986-87 budget includes a \$4.3 million increase to fill 33 new positions in the OSHPD health facility Seismic Safety program. Two-thirds of the positions are in engineering and architectural classes and the balance are support staff. The 23 non-support staff positions "comprise seven structural engineers, two mechanical and two electrical engineers, eight architects and four construction inspection supervisors." For additional information, contact Derek Pogson, Public Information Officer at (916) 322-1214.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Hugh Robertson wants to make sure everyone knows about the eight-hour short course on the business and managerial aspects of geotechnical consulting practice. The course is designed to allow recently established consultants or those considering a geotechnical career as consultants to become aware of the non-technical skills and abilities that are necessary for the development of a successful consulting practice. This course will take place October 6 at the Annual Meeting in San Francisco. Charlie Daugherty will bring the more detailed description and tentative course outline to the August Section meeting. For additional information, contact: Hugh Robertson, Robertson Geotechnical Inc., 2500 Townsgate Road, Suite E, Westlake Village, CA 91361, (805) 373-0057 or (818) 991-6367.

MEMBER NEWS

At the July meeting Mark Osborne and David Grover were presented with plaques of appreciation--Mark for many months of hard work as Newsletter editor, and David for his fine efforts on the Student Workshop. Thanks again, Mark and David!

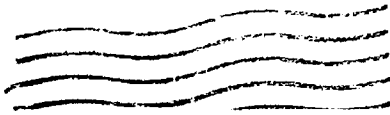
Your editor recently received a letter from Lyle Timberlake letting us know that after 16 years with the Department of Water Resources, and almost 14 years with the County of Kern, he retired in March of this year as "County Geologist" and is now "adjusting to traveling with my wife Barbara, and a little consulting when I feel like keeping my feet wet." In fact, to quote Lyle, "Old geologists never die, they just do it with a blunt pick." Charlie Daugherty will bring Lyle's letter to the August meeting so that you all can read his bon mots and complimentary remarks.

<p>SECTION MEMBERSHIP</p> <p>IF YOU ARE AN AEG MEMBER AND WOULD LIKE TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SECTION, PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING FORM AND MAIL IT WITH A CHECK FOR LOCAL DUES TO THE ADDRESS INDICATED.</p> <p>NAME _____</p> <p>MAILING ADDRESS _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>()</p> <p>PHONE _____</p> <p>MEMBERSHIP STATUS/DUES: .</p> <p>Member [] \$13</p> <p>Associate Member [] \$13</p> <p>Student Member [] \$4</p> <p>Affiliate Member [] \$13</p> <p>Mail to:</p> <p>BOB ZWEIGLER, TREASURER</p> <p>KOVACS-BYER AND ASSOCIATES</p> <p>11430 VENTURA BLVD.</p> <p>STUDIO CITY, CA 91604</p>

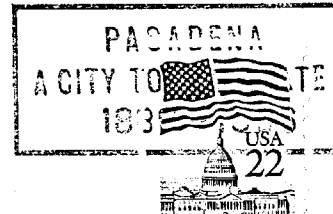


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