

SECTION QUARTERLY REPORT

June 2023

Section Officers

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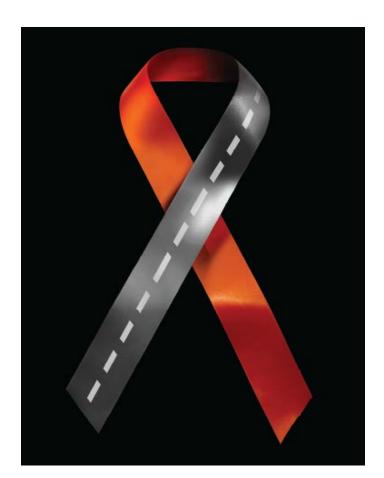
John Zaki, CT Clean CA Program PM *Treasurer*

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Section Events Overview

Los Angeles Section Officers, delegates and members would like to welcome all Corporate, Section leaders, Committee Chairs, and members to the June 2023 Board of Directors Meeting.

Midway into the new year, and as the largest Section of this great organization, we are constantly challenging and striving to better ourselves to more effectively conduct our affairs and serve the vast and diverse Caltrans and At-Large PECG membership. The LA Section Executive Committee (EC) is over 30 strong. Over the years LA Section has been actively involved in recruiting and retaining its members, being actively involved with political outreach and fund-raising events, various outreach events both with multiple State Departments and external entities, Science and Engineering Fairs, Goodwill efforts, etc. To serve our membership holistically, the officers and delegates must hold to higher ethical standards and as a team, continue to be more accountable and transparent on how our Section functions and conducts its business. Through the online capabilities of the New Employee Orientations, we have been able to aggressively recruit new EC members who will adequately represent a diverse cross-section of our membership. We encourage participation and involvement from a new generation of members to bring forth issues that are important to them as we move into the future, while supporting and encouraging them to be our next generation of Section and Corporate leaders.



The memorial was a well-attended event that included key speakers to honor those lost in the line of duty. Some of the key speakers were Godson Okereke - Maintenance Deputy District Director, Gloria Roberts - Acting District 7 Director, Mike Keever - Caltrans Chief Deputy Director & Assistant Chief Sean Coyle - Southern Division CHP. Several District 7 maintenance personnel read off the names of the fallen workers. On a personal noteit was wonderful to observe the many families & friends of those fallen.



The LA Section is continuing its decade long tradition of being involved planning the annual LA County Science and Engineering Fair (LACSF), having a seat at the executive board and providing volunteers towards judging and selecting projects for the PECG (James Roberts & Marilyn Reece) Annual Special Awards.

The Award Winners were invited to the Caltrans D7 Office Building to receive their (\$500 each) awards, glass trophies, medals & certificates. We also provided lunch to award winners and their families, where the EC Officers, current Corporate PECG President Mark Sheehan & Acting Caltrans D7 Director, Gloria Roberts, were able to share the meal.

Membership Appreciation Day May 17th, 2023



The Member Appreciation Day was a hit, with over 300 attending and enjoying lunch graciously provided by our corporate leadership. There were plenty of questions and lots of camaraderie, since this was our

section's first major gathering post-Covid. The line went out the security desk and out the front doors through the quad area. Needless to say, everyone had a great time and enjoyed the face-to-face visit

Installation of LA Section Executive Committee Members & Officers:

The last remaining Delegates took the Oath of Office virtually via Zoom, at our monthly Executive meeting held on May 18, 2023. This year, like all other years, the Los Angeles Section is continuing its membership recruiting efforts by focusing on new employees. The Executive Committee is comprised of eight (8) elected Section Officers that includes President, President-Elect, 3 VP's, Director, Treasurer, Secretary, and 26 Section Delegates who oversee and vote on all section matters.

Informational Technology:

We continue to strive for excellence and have had made some progress in revamping our website. PECG staff has assisted us in this endeavor, so look out for a new & improved website soon! We will also be implementing a higher level of security for the contact information posted on our new website to prevent unwanted solicitation that has occurred in the recent past.

Teleworking and conducting meetings online, to some degree, have become a new way to conduct business across the board for all our represented agencies. We embrace change and welcome new ideas to make things easier for our members.