

# ACCE NEWS

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## THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY SOLAR DECATHLON ~ ACCE PROGRAMS IN THE COMPETITION! ~

The **U.S. Department of Energy Solar Decathlon** is a biennial competition which challenges collegiate teams to design, build, and operate solar-powered houses that are cost-effective, energy-efficient, and attractive. The winner of the competition is the team that best blends affordability, consumer appeal, and design excellence with optimal energy production and maximum efficiency. This year's event takes place Oct. 8–18, 2015 at the Orange County Great Park in Irvine, California.

The Solar Decathlon educates students and the public about the money-saving opportunities and environmental benefits presented by clean-energy products and design solutions. It demonstrates to the public the comfort and affordability of homes that combine energy-efficient construction, as well as appliances with renewable energy systems available today. It provides participating students with unique training that prepares them to enter our nation's clean-energy workforce.

Since its inception in 2002, the Solar Decathlon has involved 112 collegiate teams. The event has affected the lives of nearly 17,000 collegiate participants, has expanded to include an additional 81 teams, and more than 12,000 students in two additional competitions around the world: *Solar Decathlon Europe* and *Solar Decathlon China*.



~ THE 2015 U.S. SOLAR DECATHLON TEAMS ~

## KUDOS TO THE ACCE PROGRAM SOLAR DECATHLETES!

(More on the ACCE Program Solar Decathlon Teams ~ continued on page 3)

# Focus On

A Message from the President, Michael M. Holland

## ACCE THE ORGANIZATION – HOW IT REALLY WORKS

As in any organization, it is the people that make things happen. In a volunteer organization, there is staff that handles the day-to-day elements of running a business: representing the organization to members, participants and the public; the financial accounting elements of invoicing, collecting, paying bills, bookkeeping and reporting; correspondence with the stakeholders; and the operations supporting the mission and activities of the organization. In ACCE, those operations include the work of accreditation, meeting venues, organizing the agenda and support elements of the meetings.

Then there are the volunteers that support the mission and vision of the organization. The success of ACCE is directly connected to the work of the volunteers. The organization cannot function without that support. And the leadership of the volunteers is the work of both the officers of the Council and the chairs of the various committees. The work of the committees is really the guiding light for how we work and what we produce.

As a recent example, the tremendous work of the Standards Committee under the leadership of Dr. Adol Chini has produced a body of work that is setting our direction for the next 20 years. The Outcomes-Based Assessment standards are the product of over 4 years work of the committee. With the approval of the Board of Trustees, these standards will guide course content of hundreds of faculty and the education of thousands of graduates for many years. Yes, they will be fine-tuned, both the standards and processes; nonetheless, this work is the foundation of how ACCE accreditation will develop.

From this evolutionary change, other committee will have to take the ball and run with it. Guidance has to develop Document 102 and the training of how to use it. In fact, all the documents are changing. A Task Force was established to develop documents in concordance with the elements of the OBA standards. A joint effort from Standards, Accreditation, Guidance and Training worked for over 6 months to develop that concordance document.

Now Training is working to give Chairs, Advanced Visitor and Member-in-Training classes to provide understanding of what has changed and a foundation for the new standards. Guidance is providing workshops to help programs better prepare for a visit under the OBA standards. Committees are working in concert to support the work of the Council.

Other committees are as impactful and the leadership of the committee chairs will provide for ACCE's future. The importance of this leadership is fundamental to ACCE's success – it has been in the past and will continue to be for all of the future. Committee chairs are where the success of the individual committee is determined. With a vision of how a committee should operate, where it should go with the committee's charge and action, the chair can greatly influence the direction. I chose the word "influence," for I believe a good chair guides (not controls) the committee members – and we know no one can control our committee members! It also takes team building, consensus building and patience to work with volunteers at the committee level. There are always people who do and those who want to do; a committee is able to get things accomplished with both groups and the chair needs to know how to manage with that mix of committee members.

ACCE is a little different, in that it is not focused on membership: anyone who wants to participate can do so; ACCE benefits from the time and talent of all who participate. The hundreds of volunteers and the thousands of volunteer hours that are contributed are what make ACCE work. We thank each of you who participate and know that the work you do benefits the greater good of the construction industry, both academic and practitioner – all make it work and all benefit.



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**California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo.** Returning to the Solar Decathlon following their third-place 2005 entry, the team seeks to pioneer a prototype for high-performance, prefabricated housing that is beautiful, affordable, transportable, and deployable. Cal Poly's inter-disciplinary design and build team is stretching the school's "learn by doing" philosophy by working through design iterations and full-scale testing together.

Seeing the manufactured and prefabricated housing market as an untapped opportunity and architectural challenge, the team's goal is to move beyond "surface green" technologies (such as green materials and photovoltaics) to "deep green" solutions that harmonize with design. Climatic-responsive design proposes buildings performing in symbiosis with the climate instead of against it.

At the center of Cal Poly's Solar House is a core that contains the active intelligence of the structure – mechanical, electrical, plumbing and monitoring systems that allow inhabitants to interact with the house. This active core makes use of digital design and fabrication processes to integrate the performance of these systems while expressing its own aesthetic and tectonic logic. Contrast this active core – to the adaptable outer shell – an elegantly simple wrapper that integrates sun shading, thermal mass and natural ventilation. The inhabitant dwells between the core and the shell, in open, comfortable spaces where active and passive systems meet.

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**California State University, Sacramento** is competing for the first time in this event. Their team is radically rethinking the design of the American starter home with NEST (Natural Elegant Sustainable Tranquility). Designed to meet the needs of residents in Sacramento's Mediterranean climate, NEST maintains traditional aesthetics without sacrificing ease of use for its occupants. NEST aspires to bridge the gap between homebuyers and sustainable living and redefine the paradigm for the future.

Sacramento State's approach to building an affordable, ultra-efficient house involves simple but effective modifications to traditional architectural elements. The gabled roof will appeal to traditional tastes, and the offset levels and slopes will allow natural daylight and an open floor plan. An expansive deck will encourage outdoor living, and numerous planters will create a closer relationship with nature. Inside, two bedrooms provide the flexibility of having two sleeping rooms or a separate workspace. And a porch off the master bedroom is a private retreat for the homeowners.

NEST is designed to redefine the American starter home. It is efficient and practical yet elegant in its design. Thus, the American starter home can become the American dream home.

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**Santa Fe College** in Gainesville, Florida is competing in their first Solar Decathlon and has teamed with the University of Florida and National University of Singapore. They will develop an alternative approach to solar-powered housing — one that is efficient, affordable, and inspirational.

The team's goal is to synthesize clean lines and efficient spaces with new envelope strategies, energy-production systems, and fabrication methods. The result will be a prototype for an elegant and disciplined house that: (1) expresses its construction in an honest and direct manner, (2) basks in the Florida sun and harnesses the full extent of the available energy, (3) is cast from modular uniformity while celebrating the potentials of variants, and (4) reflects the poetic delight of a bygone era but is updated and transformed through the technological prowess of our time.

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*For more information on this award-winning competition and the 2015 teams, check out: <http://www.solardecathlon.gov>*



The inaugural **Construction Americas Exposition**, held in Miami this past March was a great success! The expo was produced by the **OHL School of Construction at Florida International University** and sponsored by Dodge Analytics, Bosch Power Tools, Digital Drafting Systems, among others. Construction Marketing Association created and managed the event.

Hundreds of professionals and students were brought together for a day of learning and networking. Among them managers and staff from national, regional and local construction firms, staff from exhibiting companies, journalists and trade press, and of course, many students from the FIU OHL School of Construction and other construction-related programs.

## BUILDING THE FUTURE

Steve Jones, a senior director at Dodge Data & Analytics (a key sponsor of the event) said “The change we’re going to see in the next 15 years in our industry is unlike anything we’ve ever seen”. Jones talked about the single biggest impact on today’s thriving construction industry: Building Information Modeling, or BIM, which describes the process of designing a building collaboratively using computer models instead of sets of drawings. In this way architects, engineers and clients can share information in a single file and communicate more effectively.



Equally important, BIM supports the integration of functions such as materials ordering, contractor scheduling, price estimating and more. “This is bringing an enormous amount of certainty to the process,” Jones said. Making his point in dramatic fashion, he showed a time-lapse video of the construction of a 328-foot tower in Hunan Province, China, that was completed in just 360 hours.

Jones also talked about high-quality pre-fabrication made possible with the aid of digital templates. The technology allows for attractive, customized designs that take basic building materials and traditional construction out of the equation. The result: a cost-effective and sustainable facility—a school, a hospital—built of components, including exterior walls and whole rooms, that are manufactured and partly assembled in a plant before shipping to its intended site for final placement, the so-called “in a box” approach to new development. These phenomena speak volumes about the future of building.

## PANELS OF EXPERTS



Highlighting the exposition were the panel discussions, featuring many experts from the construction industry. The **CEO panel** offered a rare glimpse into the minds of top managers of international and regional construction firms. Topics ranged from skilled trades labor shortage, to dealing with cyclical, and embracing technology. The **Technology panel** offered insight into how BIM is transforming industry and driving new levels of productive and performance. The **Editor panel** offered more perspectives on construction labor, legislation, and technology.

## EXPO FEATURES SCHOOL-INVOLVED COMPANIES

An accompanying exhibit hall with over 30 exhibitors participating in the Expo, it showcased large and mid-size construction firms alongside vendors who support the building industry, giving students a chance to talk with potential employers.

“We can only teach so much in the classrooms,” said Irtishad Ahmad, director of FIU’s OHL School of Construction, organizer of the event. “Industry is moving very fast. We really cannot catch up by changing our curriculum. That’s why this [conference] is so valuable for the students as well as educators like me. It’s also important for the industry because they are connecting with the students that they will hire soon.”

## ACCE Scheduled Visitor Training

As many know, the accreditation standards for ACCE are changing to an Outcomes-Based Assessment design. With Student Learning Objectives developed from industry input and an enhanced outcomes assessment element, the new standards are going into effect for the fall 2016 accreditation visits.

Pilot assessments are being made during the fall 2015 semester for programs which have volunteered to be a pilot. During the spring 2016 visits, a few programs have chosen the OBA option and others have chosen to stay with the current standards.

Training for the new OBA standards began at the February 2015 meeting in Long beach. All training from now on will be based on the OBA standards.

The training schedule is:

<b>JULY MEETINGS:</b>	<b>FEBRUARY MEETINGS:</b>
Chair Training Advanced Visitor Training MIT Training Case Studies	Advanced Visitor Training MIT Training Case Studies

*Do you or your organization have some news to share with us?  
ACCE would love to hear it & so would your fellow ACCE members!*

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Send any information for the ACCE News to Billye Hall  
anytime throughout the year for inclusion in our bi-annual publication.

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# ACCE Accredited Programs Shine

## ASSOCIATED SCHOOLS OF CONSTRUCTION STUDENT COMPETITIONS — 2014-2015 Regional winners

We are pleased to recognize ACCE accredited/candidate programs as ASC regional winners for 2014-2015 for their outstanding achievements through strong leadership, instruction, preparation, attention to detail, and thorough follow-through on the team's part.

### COMMERCIAL:

Region I	Wentworth Institute of Technology, 1st Drexel University, 2nd Alfred State University, 3rd
Region II	Auburn University, 1st Virginia Technology Institute, 2nd Virginia Technology Institute, Best Presentation
Region III	Bradley University, 1st Southern Illinois, 2nd Ferris State University, 3rd
Region IV	Missouri State University, 1st
Region V	Texas State University, 1st
Region VI	Northern Arizona University, 1st Colorado State University, 2nd
Region VII	California State University Chico, 2nd Oregon State University, 3rd

### DESIGN-BUILD:

Region I	Roger Williams University, 1st Alfred State University, 2nd State University of New York Delhi, 3rd
Region II	Auburn University, 1st University of Florida, 2nd Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Best Presentation
Region III	Milwaukee School of Engineering, 1st Indiana State University, 2nd Ball State University, 3rd
Region IV	North Dakota State University, 1st Kansas State University, 3rd
Region V	University of Oklahoma, 1st
Region VI	Colorado State University, 1st Boise State University, 2nd
Region VII	Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, 2nd

### RESIDENTIAL:

Region IV	Minnesota State University, 2nd North Dakota State University, 3rd
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### MIXED-USE:

Region VI	Boise State University, 3rd
Region VII	University of Washington, 1st

### HEAVY-CIVIL:

Region I	Drexel University, 1st Pennsylvania College of Technology, 2nd Roger Williams University, 3rd
Region II	Clemson University, 1st Virginia Technology Institute, 2nd Clemson University, Best Presentation
Region III	Ferris State University, 2nd Eastern Michigan, 3rd
Region IV	Kansas State University, 2nd University of Central Missouri, 3rd
Region V	Texas A&M University, 2nd
Region VI	Colorado State University, 2nd
Region VII	University of Washington, 1st Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, 2nd Oregon State University, 3rd

### OPEN (Not split by Regions):

Integrated Project:	Auburn University, 2nd University of Washington, 3rd
Mechanical:	California Poly State SLO, 1st Colorado State University, 2nd Oregon State University, 3rd
Sustainable Building & LEED:	University of Florida, 1st Colorado State University, 2nd University of Washington, 3rd
Preconstruction Services:	Colorado State University, 2nd
Marine:	Oregon State University, 1st Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, 2nd California State University Chico, 3rd
Virtual Design:	University of Florida, 1st
DPRisk:	Boise State University, 1st California State Long Beach, 2nd Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, 3rd
Electrical:	Auburn University, 1st California State University Sacramento, 3rd
Concrete Solutions:	California State University Sacramento, 1st University of Florida, 2nd Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, 3rd
Mixed Use:	University of Florida, 1st Auburn University, 2nd

# ACCE Accredited Programs Shine



## National Association of Home Builders

At the 2015 International Builders' Show, NAHB announced Residential Construction Management Competition winners. The Home Builders Institute administers the NAHB Student Chapters on behalf of the NAHB, allowing students studying construction to have access to all the benefits the association offers home building industry professionals. We are pleased to recognize these ACCE programs that made such outstanding contributions.

### Four-Year College Programs:

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Cal Poly San Luis Obispo (CA)

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: University of Florida (FL)

5<sup>th</sup> Place: Illinois State University (IL)

### Two-Year College Programs:

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Tarrant County College South (TX)

**Outstanding Junior Faculty Award:** Dr. Charner Rodgers, Kennesaw State University (GA)

**Distinguished Service Award:** The NAHB Leading Suppliers Council

**Outstanding Student Chapter Award:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Tarrant County College – South (TX)

### **Outstanding Student Awards include:**

Christopher Bet, Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo

Jessica Pailliotet, California State University Long Beach

Ryan Douglas Konen, Michigan State University

Frank Cento, Northern Kentucky University

Vincent DelMonte, Pennsylvania College of Technology

Luke T. Hunter, Kennesaw State University

Russell Miller, Tarrant County College South

Nicole Marie Walas, Texas A&M University

James Holmes, Texas State University

Allie Wright, University of Florida

Albert Villescas, University of New Mexico

Nate Sinner, University of Washington

## AGC Foundation 2015 Scholarship Recipients from ACCE Accredited/Candidate Programs



We would like to offer our congratulations to all recipients of 2015 scholarships. A total of 74 students from ACCE accredited/candidate programs received awards. Undergraduate recipients will receive \$2,500 annual, renewable scholarships. Graduate students are awarded \$7,500 over two years. For a complete listing and information about applying for future scholarships, please visit the AGC Foundation web site:

Auburn University - 3  
Northern Arizona University - 3  
Arizona State University - 1  
California State University Sacramento - 2  
Cal Poly San Luis Obispo - 1  
California State University Fresno - 2  
Colorado State University - 3  
Central Connecticut State University - 2  
Florida International University - 1  
Kennesaw State University - 3  
Bradley University - 1  
Southern Illinois University Edwardsville - 1  
Illinois State University - 1  
Kansas State University - 4

Northern Kentucky University - 1  
Wentworth Institute of Technology - 1  
Ferris State University - 2  
Minnesota State University Moorhead - 1  
Missouri State University - 1  
University of Nebraska-Lincoln - 1  
Michael Goddard, Alfred State College - 2  
State University of New York at Delhi - 1  
East Carolina University - 2  
North Carolina Agricultural & Technical State University - 1  
North Dakota State University - 1  
University of Oklahoma - 5  
Oregon State University - 3

Roger Williams University - 1  
Clemson University - 1  
South Dakota State University - 1  
Texas State University - 1  
Texas A&M University - 5  
The University of Texas at San Antonio - 1  
University of Houston - 2  
Weber State University - 1  
Virginia Tech - 2  
University of Washington - 4  
University of Washington - 1  
University of Wisconsin-Stout - 2  
Milwaukee School of Engineering - 1

# Visiting Team Agenda

## Spring 2015

*We would like to say a special "Thank You" to all our ACCE Visiting Team Members for sharing their time and expertise to complete our Mission.*

### UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMS:

#### **Arizona State University**

Roger Liska, Chair  
Vini Nathan  
Mike Farrar, MIT  
Mohamed Zoghi, MIT

#### **California State University, Northridge**

James Goddard, Chair  
Steven McCrary  
Bob Olsen  
Mohamed Diab, MIT

#### **Central Washington University**

Jim Carr, Chair  
Sharla Rabin  
Marty Garza

#### **Illinois State University**

Khalid Siddiqi, Chair  
Abdol Chini  
Tom Cole  
Anthony Lamanna, MIT

#### **MSOE**

David Rogge, Chair  
Mikael Anderson  
Susan Labas  
Philip Barlow, MIT  
Heather Gay, MIT

#### **Saskatchewan Polytechnic**

Carl Roegner, Chair  
Lewis Waller  
Fred Hart

#### **University of Houston**

Carig Capano, Chair  
Ben Ilozor  
Walter Lehner  
Donald McNabb, MIT  
Gerrad DeLatte, MIT

#### **University of Louisiana Monroe**

Kerry Slattery, Chair  
Derrek Dunn  
Tracy Pellet

#### **University of Southern Mississippi**

Charles Berryman, Chair  
Shima Clarke  
Paul Mattingly  
Donald Hayes, MIT

### MASTERS DEGREE PROGRAM:

#### **FOCUS VISIT:**

#### **Wentworth Institute of Technology**

Shawn Strong, Chair

### INITIAL VISITS:

#### **California Baptist University**

Cheryl Goodale, Chair  
Eric Connell  
Lauren Evans  
Rogers Hunt, MIT

#### **Utica College**

Frederick Gould, Chair  
Dianne Kay Slattery  
Robert Strickland

## ACCE Fall 2015 Accreditation Visits

#### **PILOT VISITS:**

California State University, Chico  
Kansas State University  
State University of New York at Delhi  
University of Arkansas, Little Rock  
University of Florida

#### **REGULAR VISITS:**

Central New Mexico Community College  
Colorado State University  
Drexel University  
Michigan State University  
Washington State University

# Accreditations

At the February 2015 meeting, the Board of Trustees granted the following accreditations:

## RENEWAL OF ACCREDITATION

### 2-YEAR UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMS:

**Columbus State Technical & Community College**  
Construction Management Technology  
David R. Busch, Dean Bortz, Co-Coordinators

### 4-YEAR UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMS:

**Eastern Michigan University**  
Construction Management Program  
Dr. James Stein, Program Coordinator

**Georgia Southern University**  
Allen E. Paulson College of Science &  
Technology  
Dr. Mike Jackson, Chair

**North Dakota State University**  
Department of Construction Management  
& Engineering  
Dr. Yong Bai, Chair

**Oregon State University**  
Construction Engineering Management  
Dr. Michael Scott, Interim School Head

**Kennesaw State University**  
School of Architecture & Construction  
Management  
Dr. Khalid Siddiqi, Department Chair

**University of New Mexico**  
Construction Management Program  
Dr. Mark Russell, AGC Endowed Chair

## INITIAL ACCREDITATION

**Tarrant County College, South**  
Construction Management Program  
Dr. Orlando Bagcal, Coordinator

**The Ohio State University**  
Construction Systems Management  
Dr. Scott Shearer, Program Chair

# Around ACCE

**Indiana State University's** Delta III Chapter of Sigma Lambda Chi raised \$3,934 in the annual spring golf outing. Part of the profits support two scholarships for construction students.

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**The American Institute of Constructors** announced the election of Joseph Rietman, CPC as its National President in April. Mr. Rietman, currently with Westfield Development in San Diego, CA, previously served as the AIC's Vice-President, as well as on the AIC's Constructor Certification Commission's Board of Governors. His term as National President runs through April 2016. Joe has been a member of the AIC for over 17 years and a Certified Professional Constructor for 5 years.

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**Associated General Contractors of America** released a May 2015 analysis that construction firms added 45,000 jobs in April and 280,000 over 12 months, as the sector's unemployment rate fell to a nine-year April low of 7.5 percent.

"Construction employment resumed strong growth in April after slipping in March and is now growing at more than double the growth rate for total nonfarm employment," said Ken Simonson, the association's chief economist. Simonson added that the number of unemployed construction workers, 652,000, is at the lowest level since 2001. The construction economist cautioned that reports of construction worker shortages are likely to grow over the coming months. "With construction employment likely to continue to expand for the foreseeable future, labor conditions are likely to get even tighter."

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AGC officials urged Congress and the administration to act on the series of measures the group outlined in its Workforce Development Plan. Those measures are designed to make it easier for construction firms, local not-for-profits and school systems to establish construction training and education programs.

“The last time the sector’s unemployment level was this low construction firms were scrambling to find enough workers,” said Stephen E. Sandherr, the association’s chief executive officer. “While the labor situation isn’t as dire as it was back in 2006, Washington must act soon before more firms struggle to find enough workers to meet demand.”

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**Fluor Corporation** announced at February’s end that the company was named by FORTUNE as the top-ranked engineering and construction company in its 2015 World’s Most Admired Companies list. For the fourth year in a row, Fluor earned the top designation among its peers in the engineering and construction market sector.

David Seaton, Fluor’s Chairman and Chief Executive Officer is quoted as saying “This accomplishment recognizes the commitment of our 40,000 employees around the globe who deliver integrated solutions to our clients on some of the world’s most remote and complex projects”. For more than a century, Fluor has served clients in the energy, chemicals, government, industrial, infrastructure, mining and power market sectors.

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**Yates Construction** has been selected to provide construction services for the renovation and repairs of Building 1, Chief of Naval Air Training HQ at the Naval Air Station in Corpus Christi, Texas.

The project includes the renovation and repairs of an existing 1940s multi-story, wood frame structure, which includes the demolition of one wing and renovation of three wings. Construction activities will include upgrades to the exterior envelope and structure; a full interior renovation with reconfiguration of spaces; and replacement of all building mechanical, electrical, and fire protection systems. Support projects include related utilities infrastructure and civil site improvements.

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Special thanks to Dr. Orlando Bagcal of **Tarrant County College South** for generously sharing photos and stories of his winning NAHB Residential CM team (*see results on page 7*). We are happy to have Tarrant County College South as one of the newest ACCE-accredited programs. And, we love hearing great news from *all* of our program, association, and organization members.



Left to Right: NAHB Representative, Nicholas Rex, Dr. Orlando Bagcal, Jennifer Weaver, Trenton Crouch, Felix Flores, Hunter Reinhardt, NAHB Representative

# MARK BENJAMIN LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The annual **ACCE Mark Benjamin Lifetime Achievement Award** is named in honor of Mark Benjamin. His life embodied the achievements this Award is intended to recognize. Mark served as President and CEO of Morley Builders in Santa Monica, California from 1981 until his untimely passing in 2013. Throughout his career, many educators and students benefited from his generous contributions and tireless efforts in support of higher education in construction.



In addition to his direct support for many University Construction Management programs, Mark sought to improve the quality of education at all institutions through his personal commitment of time and energy to the accreditation work of ACCE. He served as President of ACCE from 2005 to 2007 after being an active member of the Board of Trustees and numerous ACCE committees for more than a decade. After his Presidency, he remained active on the Board, the Nominations Committee, and the Accreditation Committee. Mark lent his organizational and change management skills to the effort of reforming the governance structure of ACCE after 40 years resulting in a new set of By-Laws that created a more responsive organization and one better suited to the needs of 21st century higher education.

Seldom has a practitioner donated so much of his or her personal time and resources to advance the standards of construction education. But beyond his resume, Mark was just a pleasure to work with. He was organized, relentless in trying to accomplish change, and patient with others who were not yet convinced of the changes he was advocating. And he knew when and how to accomplish something with a bit of self-deprecating humor – always followed by a distinctive smile. ACCE is proud to honor others in our industry who demonstrate the extent of service and depth of commitment to construction education that was exemplified by Mark Benjamin.

Letters of nomination for the **ACCE Mark Benjamin Lifetime Achievement Award** shall be sent to ACCE no later than May 31<sup>st</sup> of each year. Recommendations for no more than one recipient per year will be made after a review of all nominations by the Development Committee of ACCE. A maximum of one award is given each year to an individual who has demonstrated a profound effect on construction education over a lifetime of achievements or activities that promote quality construction education and support the development of the next generation of professional construction leadership in the United States.

The recommendation from this Committee will be reviewed by the ACCE Board Trustees at its Annual Meeting normally held in July of each year. Upon the final decision of the Board, the annual winner of this award will be announced and honored at the ACCE annual national meeting. A register of Award winners will be maintained on the ACCE website.



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**AMERICAN COUNCIL FOR CONSTRUCTION EDUCATION**

**Annual Meeting 2015  
LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY  
July 22 - 25**

**ACCE ANNUAL MEETING  
REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS 7/1**

*Please encourage your  
colleagues in the  
Louisville area to attend*



**HYATT REGENCY LOUISVILLE**

**Hotel Reservation Deadline  
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**ACCE Founder's Award**

**Nominations for the year January 1, 2014 - December 31, 2014  
must be received no later than May 19, 2015.  
For further information check the Awards button  
on our website or call 210-495-6161**

**Dupree Education Scholarship & Dupree Construction / NHE Education Scholarship**

ACCE will offer a scholarship of up to \$5,000 to a practitioner who is enrolled in a post-graduate program with the intent to enter into a career as a faculty member in an ACCE-accredited Construction Management Program. Information is available on the website or the ACCE national office.

**Deadline is May 5, 2015, with notification by August 2015.**

