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2015 Wall & Ceiling Expo



WACA and WCB held their second Wall & Ceiling Expo last July 31. I attended and appreciated that the Expo brought together wall and ceiling contractors, manufacturers, suppliers, apprentices/students and many other industry community members — all in one local setting.



Nancy Brinkerhoff
Board President

The Expo offered current trade information, product demonstrations and partnership building. Vendors showcased a wide selection of diverse industry products and services. Our labor partners participated by providing demonstrations, which was the perfect way to illustrate what we do. The informative workshops and cutting-edge product updates were insightful.

A few Ironwood Commercial Builders, Inc. staff members, along with two of our union apprentices, attended the Expo. We had an opportunity to walk down the aisles to find out more about innovations in the wall and ceiling world. We observed the newest advances and grew our pool of industry connections. And it provided us a chance to meet one on one with specific vendors.

Our apprentices participated in the demonstrations, and worked side by side with instructors who taught them the new ceiling grid installation method. Until

attending the Expo, we didn't know this system was taught in the training schools. As a company, we walked out of the Expo educated on an innovative way to install the drywall ceiling grid from the carpenters.

Possibly the greatest benefits I took away from the Expo were in improving how we operate and in discovering what's new in our industry. And I was able to connect beyond the office with my team and network with fellow industry partners.

If you didn't join us, I definitely recommend attending the Expo next year. The Wall & Ceiling Expo has free admission with lunch included! The event provides free educational sessions and an opportunity to get acquainted with new products on the market. Staying ahead of the learning curve is the reason I attended. I'm certain that if you attend next year's Expo, you'll benefit from it — and walk away learning something new.



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The Wall And Ceiling Alliance (WACA) serves and represents signatory wall and ceiling contractors in Northern California's 46 counties. Our primary goal is to represent and negotiate labor agreements for our contractor members. WACA organizes and steers the committees that negotiate the collective bargaining agreements with the unions.

WACA provides resources that assist members in operating a successful business. Among the services and activities provided are educational forums, technical assistance, government advocacy, labor relations, industry promotion, marketing and networking opportunities.

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WACA PUBLIC AFFAIRS REPORT

The Importance of Keeping Your Contractor's License Current

by Eddie Bernacchi, Politico Group



California law requires that all contractors operating in the state be properly licensed by the Contractors State License Board (CSLB). Harsh penalties may be assessed against an unlicensed contractor for performing work in California. An unlicensed contractor may be subject to both civil and criminal penalties and disciplinary action by the CSLB.

In addition, section 7031 of the California Business & Professions Code precludes an unlicensed contractor from maintaining a lawsuit to recover compensation for its work. Section 7031(a) states:

"No person engaged in the business or acting in the capacity of a contractor, may bring or maintain any action, or recover in law or equity in any action, in any court of this state for the collection of compensation for the performance of any act or contract where a license is required by this chapter without alleging that he or she was a duly licensed contractor at all times during the performance of that act or contract, regardless of the merits of the cause of action brought by the person."

Finally, perhaps the most onerous penalty of all is that an unlicensed contractor may be required to disgorge any compensation it has previously been paid for performing work requiring a license, per Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 7031(b). Under section 7031(b), a person who utilizes the services of an unlicensed contractor may bring an action to recover all compensation paid to the unlicensed contractor for performance of any act or contract.

A license can lapse for any number of reasons, including failure to timely submit a renewal form prior to the expiration date. When your license is coming up for renewal, it is also important to timely submit a license bond and a workmans' compensation policy, if applicable. If your license is renewed after the expiration date, or the renewal form is rejected, the renewal will be considered delinquent and the license record will show a break in license status. If your license lapses for such a reason, you should petition the Registrar to renew a license retroactive to the renewal date. The petition will only be considered under the following conditions: (1) The Registrar receives the petition within 90 days of the expiration

date; and (2) the petitioner establishes that the delay was due to circumstances beyond the contractor's control.

Below are a few key points to assist you in keeping your contractor license current and in good standing:

- Active licenses expire every two years.
- Inactive licenses expire every four years.
- Approximately 60 days before your license is due to expire, CSLB will send you a renewal application. To ensure timely receipt of all license maintenance information, notify the board of any change to the address maintained by the board.

If your license is renewed after the expiration date, or the renewal form is rejected, the renewal will be considered delinquent and the license record will show a break in license status.

- If you have not received a renewal application from the CSLB within 45 days of the expiration date, you can order a renewal online or by calling the CSLB at (800) 321-CSLB (2752).
- An acceptable renewal application must be received at CSLB's Headquarters Office prior to the expiration date of the license to avoid any unlicensed time. It is your responsibility to make sure your license is renewed, even if you don't receive a renewal form.
- Because processing times can vary significantly, timely submission of your renewal is strongly recommended.

It is prudent to remind you that licensing assistance is available through the Wall And Ceiling Alliance (WACA). This service is provided exclusively to the contractor members of WACA through their association with Politico Group.

Currently, the typical processing time for a new California contractor's license is three to six months. While applicant fingerprinting and background check requirements can cause some delays, the most common delay is due to incomplete and incorrect applications submitted to CSLB.

Politico Group employs full-time staff members, who are available to help you through the application process, including answering questions and solving problems relating to CSLB and its requirements. CSLB, like many public oversight boards and commissions, is lined with red tape that continues to grow.

Our expert staff has years of experience, which can assist WACA member contractors through this process.

WACA/Politico Group assists its contractors by providing expert consultation both before and after a license has been obtained, which includes:

- Guidance in preparing and completing applications.
- Hand-delivering applications to CSLB headquarters in Sacramento.
- Monitoring the progress of license applications.
- Assistance in solving issues related to a license or license application.
- Assistance in making changes to current licenses.

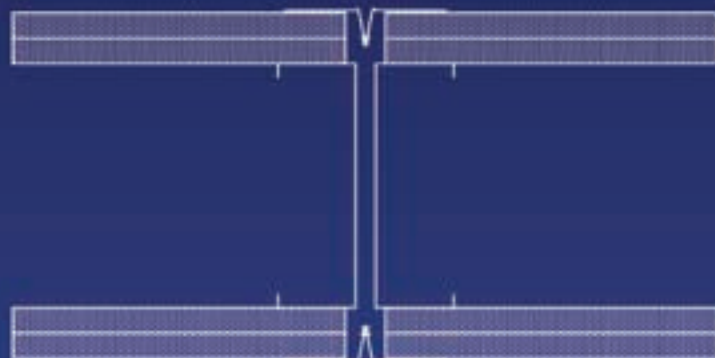
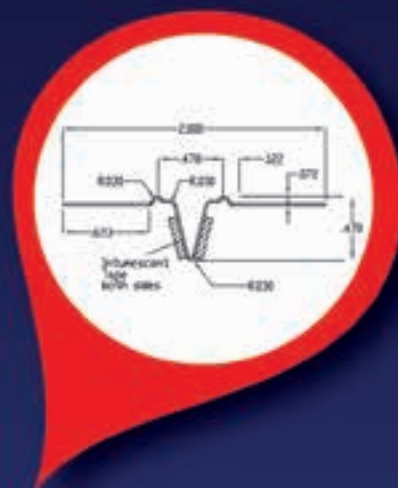
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Deadline for Entries: January 15, 2016

Projects must have been completed in the 12 months prior to January 15, 2016.

CEA is an exclusive competition that recognizes outstanding work and craftsmanship in the wall and ceiling industry. Only WACA contractor member projects are eligible to enter this select competition. Project application forms can be submitted by both associate and contractor WACA members.



WHY PARTICIPATE

- ★ Winning projects are recognized at one of the biggest wall and ceiling award shows in our industry
- ★ This is an opportunity to recognize key employees, business partners, architects and general contractors
- ★ Your company and winning project will be highlighted in industry publications
- ★ You will receive the professional video showcasing your winning project to use for marketing purposes
- ★ WACA will feature winning projects on our website for a full year and in *The Quarterly* magazine

If you're a WACA contracting member and interested in submitting a project application, use the application form on page 9. The application form and guidelines are also available on our website, www.wallandceilingalliance.org.

PROJECT CATEGORIES

- Residential Exterior & Interior
- Commercial Exterior & Interior
- Retail Exterior & Interior
- Institutional Exterior & Interior
- Historical Interior & Exterior
- EIFS
- Ceilings
- Green Building
- Project of the Year Under \$500,000 – Interior
- Project of the Year Over \$500,000 – Interior
- Project of the Year Under \$500,000 – Exterior
- Project of the Year Over \$500,000 – Exterior

QUESTIONS? Contact:

Mike Nonn, Technical Representative, mike@wcbureau.org
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2016 CONSTRUCTION EXCELLENCE AWARDS (CEA) CALL FOR ENTRIES

Application Deadline: Friday, January 15, 2016

Please submit one application per project. Submit application form by email to Mike Nonn at mike@wcbureau.org, or by mail to Mike Nonn, Wall And Ceiling Alliance, 5726 Sonoma Drive, Pleasanton, CA 94566.

APPLICANT'S CONTACT INFORMATION

Full Name: _____
Company: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____
Project Name: _____
Project Start Date: _____ Project Completion Date: _____

PROJECT CLASSIFICATION (Circle category)

- Residential Exterior
- Residential Interior
- Commercial Exterior
- Commercial Interior
- Retail Exterior
- Retail Interior
- Institutional Exterior
- Institutional Interior
- Historical Restoration Exterior
- Historical Restoration Interior
- EIFS
- Ceilings
- Green Building
- Project of the Year Under \$500,000 – Exterior
- Project of the Year Under \$500,000 – Interior
- Project of the Year Over \$500,000 – Exterior
- Project of the Year Over \$500,000 – Interior

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DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT (Attach additional pages if necessary)

2015 GOLF TOURNAMENT

Our guests showed off their best swings this past September 11.

To allow for more golfers, the tournament was moved to Poppy Ridge Golf Course in Livermore. The players networked and enjoyed brunch in the wine country. Once the call sounded for tee off, the foursomes assembled in their carts. In respect to the historic date, a professional musician in full regalia played the Scottish bagpipes; flags were flown at half-mast while the players drove out to their starting positions.

We were able to double the number of hole sponsors this year. Hole sponsors hosted snacks and drinks, and promoted their businesses on the course. Stepping up to the sponsorship plate were STI with a Golf

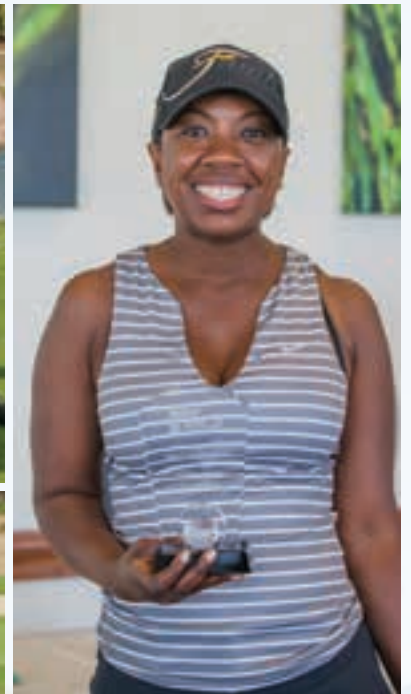
Ball Sponsorship and PABCO, contributing a Special Sponsorship. Additionally, eight event sponsors and four tee sponsors demonstrated generosity in supporting the tournament.

At the end of the tournament, guests enjoyed cocktails with a buffet dinner. Over 85 prizes were raffled off, including \$1,000 in gift cards and two 48-inch screen TVs. Every guest was treated to door prizes, which included a complimentary pair of Wiley X sunglasses.

A big thank-you to everyone who participated in the tournament! To view event photos, visit our website's Photo Gallery page.

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2015 WALL & CEILING EXPO

Thanks to all participants who helped make the Wall & Ceiling Expo a great success!

The Expo was held July 31 at the Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton, California. Over 30 exhibitors participated, demonstrating their latest products and services. The exposition increased awareness on the most up-to-date wall and ceiling industry information through exhibits, product showcases, seminars and live demonstrations.

Attendees and exhibitors had an opportunity to network amongst industry professionals and peers. Participants included architects, designers,

building officials, contractors, general contractors, suppliers and dealers, manufacturers, industry professionals, and apprentices/students. In addition, three seminars were presented: Air Barriers, Continuous Insulation and Lath Basics.

Due to the event's popularity, work is already in progress for 2016's Wall & Ceiling Expo. As Board President Nancy Brinkerhoff said in *The President's Corner*, don't miss the Expo next year!







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Henley & Company

Roger E. Henley Jr., President & CEO



When asked about recent special accomplishments, Roger Henley — president and CEO of Henley & Company — just said, “Survival!”

This latest accomplishment in the long history of Henley & Company might very well be its most important. But in the true spirit of a third-generation plastering contractor and entrepreneur, Roger looks more at how the recent economic crucible has only made him and his company stronger.

“I saw a significant number of contractors not make it during the recession,” Roger said. “It was the most severe downturn I’ve ever experienced. But we had the wherewithal, and the tenacity, I suppose, to stay in business. I was able to keep a group of my key people working through it. So as a company, we survived. I personally feel like a better administrator because of it, and that we’re doing better overall. At this point, I’m happy to be able to say the future once again looks bright.”

Henley & Company’s ultimate test was not their first one. Roger’s initial challenge occurred even before he became the owner and key administrator.

Roger was in college when approached about taking over the company. As a science major, however, his background might not have seemed like the best match at first. “I was pretty good with numbers though, which is the language of both science and business,” he reflected. Having worked in the industry since the age of 10, he wasn’t exactly new to the business. “I was also groomed with leadership qualities, so it just kind of fit. I didn’t have to think about it long, because I was interested from the beginning.”

With his lifelong training in the industry and his own father, a second-generation plastering contractor and entrepreneur, as a mentor, one could see where, as Roger put it, “Valuable knowledge and expertise has been carried forward. To this day, I still bounce ideas off my father for his perspective. I was very fortunate to have him available as a consultant, especially in the early years.”

That training and investment was needed to deal with the challenges ahead. Being a Northern California specialty contractor based in Sacramento, the company deals with lower pricing in the area due to non-union influences. In a countermeasure, Henley & Company aims for prevailing wage work. It has become more available lately in Sacramento. However, in the greater San Francisco region, the four-county zone tends to have more union-prevailing and private work available due to the large number of signatory general contractors. It’s this union-based private and prevailing wage work that provides the pricing necessary to support union wages and fringes. By pursuing both, Henley & Company is able to take advantage of the opportunities in their local region along with those in the Bay Area and greater Northern California.

Their reach doesn’t end there; Henley & Company’s service area extends to the Central Valley as well as into the North Bay, Sonoma and greater Napa Valley areas. At one time, the company also furnished and installed specialized wall and ceiling systems for the military in Nevada.

With generations of leadership behind them, Henley & Company has extensive experience in exterior lath and plaster systems, EIFS and high-end artisan-related plaster. Once a largely residential contracting company, the business moved into commercial construction. Having been a union contractor for many years, they operate mostly with signatory general contractors. Roger noted, “It’s an entirely different level of construction and administration.” After this move, it was a conscious decision on the part of the company to continue as a specialty contractor due to the community need for their quality installations. As Roger put it, “There is so much demand for our proficiency and experience, we generally stay very busy.”

And busy they are. A current notable endeavor is the 800-acre Hunter’s Point Shipyard development in San Francisco. Roger described it as “exciting to be working on this project. There’s challenges working in a deactivated naval shipyard. Projects in the city are always challenging, sophisticated and unique. That just makes it more interesting for us.”



The Ashton at Candlestick Point, San Francisco

"We also just finished the New Dillard Elementary School in Elk Grove, south of Sacramento. It was a large contract we completed in less than four months," he said. It's an admirable timeframe for a company with a core group of about 35 field personnel at the time, though at other times of the year, Henley & Company may employ over 100 tradesmen. With their present number of approximately 75 employees, the company is currently tackling the major interior and exterior restoration work of the Amtrak Sacramento Valley Station. Because the station is well over a century old, it is considered a historical restoration in addition to being a fully operational and crucial public transit line for the capital region.

In discussing personal history in the industry, Roger noted his own connection to WACA. He explained, "I was honored to be a part of the committee that worked with Frank Nunes, now WACA's executive director, to establish WACA before I became a board of directors member. Being a member brings a different level of respect in the construction industry and in dealing with unions. Combining the drywall and plaster associations changed the working dynamics with all the unions we do business with. Of course, there's the ongoing training and industry awareness that WACA helps provide, not to mention important technical support. It's a great group to be a part of."

Regarding industry accomplishments, Henley & Company can accept a few accolades. "We try to be extremely responsive. We help our customers maintain their schedules and play an active role in pointing out any design problems along the way. We truly bring our extensive experience to the table, having seen how the different systems work ... or not. That's what we bring to the equation. For all these reasons, we have many repeat customers!" Roger said.



It may be no mean feat to survive in this industry. Yet Henley & Company is seeing its 20th anniversary this year with Roger E. Henley Jr. as third-generation president and CEO, and there's a possibility of a fourth-generation leader.

Sharing a keen interest in construction, Roger's oldest son Garrett is currently a senior and honor student at Davis High School. His hope is to be accepted next year to Cal Poly State University's Construction Management Program, in the College of Architecture and Environmental Design. For the past four summers, Garrett has been working at Henley & Company, helping with the logistics of materials and equipment and shadowing Roger as president and CEO. Garrett's interest in the industry, high scholastic achievements and professional training are steps to a promising career.

As said, the future is looking bright for Henley & Company.

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ClarkDietrich Keeps Products, Services Stronger Than Steel



At ClarkDietrich our focus is to be stronger than steel. It's a core tenet that drives our company to develop new, useful products and services. It's also the way we hope to develop relationships. And it's one of the reasons we support the Wall And Ceiling Alliance (WACA).

Being a WACA member means a great deal to us at ClarkDietrich. The association represents the top-tier subcontractors in the steel framing and drywall industry that use the products we manufacture. Our connection to this elite group of subcontractors helps us stay in touch with the companies and individuals who help drive this industry forward in today's competitive market. We are proud to be a supporter of WACA and appreciate the contributions the organization makes to labor relations, technical assistance, educational forums and advocacy for the industry as a whole. Working with WACA members helps us stay connected to the issues that face contractors day in and day out. These issues, which range from installation challenges and technical submittals to building information modeling and continuing education, are the issues for which ClarkDietrich strives to provide solutions.

Focused Products

A key way we help address contractors' needs is through product innovation. As the leading manufacturer of cold-formed steel products for interior framing, interior finishing, exterior framing and floor framing, as well as clips, connectors, metal lath and accessories, we consider this area of expertise a core competency.

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Contractors are spending less time climbing scaffolds and ladders and bending over to put in fasteners. This in turn can lead to fewer work-related injuries and reduced workers' compensation costs.

This game-changing drywall framing system has been integrated into several Northern California construction projects that include the currently under-construction Merritt College in Oakland; the student activities center at the University of Nevada, Reno; the Northern Nevada HOPES Medical Office Building in Reno; and the new Marriott hotel in San Jose, to name a few.

In response to market demand, we have recently expanded this product suite to include a 24-mil 20-gauge TRAKLOC. This product is more affordable than conventional framing, so not only does the system help contractors save time and energy but reduces costs as well.

As an industry leader, ClarkDietrich's commitment to the industry goes beyond just product development, as we're continually working to extend sustainable building practices at every level of the company. We recycle 100 percent of steel waste at our manufacturing facilities and employ a technical team that includes numerous LEED accredited professionals, while product development consciously engages optimal use of material, as well as ease of construction. Most recently, we became the first steel framing manufacturer to receive third-party-verified ISO-compliant Environmental Product Declarations (EPDs) for our complete steel product portfolio, including the popular ProSTUD and ProSTUD with Diamond-Plus Steel Framing Systems.

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er service. In fact, we routinely partner with teams of architects, engineers, building developers and owners, contractors and others on projects of all sizes, scope and complexity. We have seen particularly favorable response to our contractor-focused services like the interactive ClarkDietrich iTools website that provides contractors access to a broad range of data, including cost-saving calculators, design tools, ClipExpress Navigation, LEED



TRAKLOC Drywall Framing System is one of the latest labor-saving innovations added to the ClarkDietrich's product portfolio. The patented design allows for the stud and track to "interlock" without the need for screw attachment.

request forms and product literature directly from mobile devices. Our SubmittalPro System is another time-saver for contractors because it makes the technical submittal process fast and easy. BIM, LEED services and continuing education courses are other ways we aim to support contractors and other professionals in the industry.

ClarkDietrich's ability to innovate and drive the industry forward is second to none. We do this through the development and support of quality products, and we do this through services that benefit professionals in our field. Our commitment to engineering, research, development, testing and industry code approvals sets us apart as the nationwide leading manufacturer of steel construction products in the United States.

Fire Test

Mike Nonn, Technical Advisor, Wall and Ceiling Bureau

Think back to grade school. Remember studying for a test?

Some students studied possibly for weeks and others maybe the night before. Regardless, when you got the results back, all you cared about was the grade at the top of the paper. The grade on that test was proof that you knew the material. This proof of knowledge is even more important for us as professionals in the wall and ceiling industry.

Just when we thought that testing was behind us — especially in the construction field — we keep hearing the famous words, “Show me a fire test.” In our world, those five words can stop anyone in their tracks. Think back over the last few years. How many times have you heard it? Gap in your gypsum panels? Replace the board or “Show me a fire test.” Trade damage on your walls? Replace the board or “Show me a fire test.”

***The good news is,
we have taken the test for you.***

The Wall & Ceiling Conference (WCC) secured funding to run a one-hour fire test with several “typical” field conditions implemented into an approved one-hour fire rated wall assembly.

The test was completed March 11, 2015, in Elmhurst, Texas, at Inter-tek Laboratories. WCC’s intent was to determine how the rating of an approved one-hour fire-rated wall assembly might be impacted by the following “typical” field conditions.

- Nominal 1/8-inch vertical gypsum board gap
- Missed fastener
- Trade damage (size 1-1/2"x1/2" chip)



Testing was conducted in accordance to ASTM E119-14, *Standard Methods for Fire Tests of Building Construction and Materials*. Framing consisted of 3-5/8 inch deep, 25EQ (25 GA equivalent) steel studs spaced 24-inch o.c. between 25EQ top and bottom track. One layer of 4 feet by 10 feet by 5/8 inch, ASTM C1396 (type X equivalent) gypsum board was used. It was secured using 1-1/4-inch self-drilling drywall screws spaced 8-inch o.c. around the perimeter and 12-inch o.c. in the field. Exposed seams were covered with joint tape and the fasteners received two layers of joint compound. The field conditions were applied to both sides of the wall assembly to accommodate a symmetrical test condition.

The field conditions received thermocouples in accordance to ASTM E119-14 and were monitored for temperature rise every 30 seconds for the entirety of the 60-minute test. The ambient temperature at the commencement of the test was 56°F/57°F, with ASTM E119-14 allowing the maximum temperature rise of any single thermocouple to not exceed 325°F above starting ambient temperature. This gave us a pass/fail temperature of 381°F/382°F at each location.

RESULTS

The data in the chart is the result of the tested field conditions at the end of the 60-minute test.

Location	Max Reached Temp (°F)	Max Allowed Temp (°F)
1/8-Inch Joint Gap	344	381
Missed Fastener	250	382
Trade Damage	305	381

There was no evidence of reduced fire resistance due to any of the simulated “typical” field conditions in the assembly as tested.

For a copy of the full test report, please visit www.wccinfo.org, click on the Library tab and select Fire Test.

Isn't it so much better when someone takes the test for you? Class dismissed.



STAY IN THE KNOW

► North Bay Carpenters Training Committee Annual Apprenticeship Graduation 2015

The North Bay Carpenters Training Committee held its annual apprenticeship graduation on July 25 at Morton Warm Springs in Glen Ellen, California, in conjunction with Local 751's annual membership picnic. Mario LaForge, acoustical installer journeyman, received the Apprentice of the Year Award; Richard Lopez, superintendent for Stockham Construction and management member of the Training Committee was the guest speaker.

► Local Union 9109 Drywall/Lathing Apprentice Graduation 2015

The Local Union 9109 Drywall/Lathing Apprentice Ceremony was held August 1 at Raging Waters Sacramento on the Cal Expo grounds in Sacramento, California. Jessie Norried received the Apprentice of the Year Award and the Wall & Ceiling Award; Michael O'Neill received the Academic Excellence Award.

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► Don Archuleta Now at KHS&S Contractors

Don Archuleta, formerly with Performance Contracting, Inc. (PCI), is now area operations manager at KHS&S. He can be reached at Don.Archuleta@khsswest.com.

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