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Chapter Newsletter
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Membership
2024

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

- **Essel Skilled Trades**
- **D.H.R. Construction, Inc.**
- **Power Design Electric, Inc.**
- **Jorgik Electric, Inc.**
- **D.H. Slater & Son, Inc.**
- **Ragnir Corp. DBA Ragnir Electric**
- **RB Environmental, Inc.**
- **Santa Cruz Westside Electric Inc. DBA Sandbar**
- **Salinas Valley Electric**

Your support to ABC Northern CA chapter is greatly appreciated!

Meet The SPOTLIGHT

John Meibers, VP and General Manager of Deltek ComputerEase

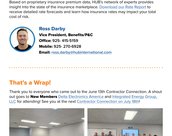
1. Why did you join ABC NorCal?
Deltek ComputerEase is a proud supporter of ABC, due to its education and influence in the construction industry. Our goal has always been to provide software that helps ABC members maximize potential for growth. Over the years, we've built a strong relationship with John Morris and the ABC NorCal team. We feel that ABC is the perfect opportunity to join. His leadership and vision align with our objectives, making this an ideal time to become part of the ABC NorCal community.

2. What do you enjoy most about your position?
Volunteering gives me a profound sense of fulfillment, especially when I can educate younger generations about the boundless opportunities in the construction industry. I enjoy breaking down misconceptions and showing people that construction is not just a job but a career that offers a wide range of careers that can be incredibly rewarding. Mentoring individuals realize their potential and witnessing their growth brings my efforts a immeasurably gratifying. Additionally, volunteering allows me to give back to an industry that has provided so much to me throughout my career.

3. What's your current occupation?
I currently serve as the Vice President and General Manager for Deltek ComputerEase. In this role, I oversee various aspects of our operations, including sales, marketing, and customer relations within the construction industry. My responsibilities include strategic planning, team leadership and working closely with our clients to ensure they are fully satisfied with our products and services. It's a dynamic role that keeps me engaged and continuously learning, which I find both challenging and rewarding. You may also see me on the golf course, enjoyed hospitality and product-specific webinars for our prospects and customers.

4. What advice would you give to someone who wants to enter the construction industry?
My advice to anyone considering a career in the construction industry is to explore the vast opportunities available and to embrace the dynamic nature of this industry. On-site there are numerous roles in management, planning, design and office administration. It's crucial to find a company that values continuous education and growth, as this industry is constantly evolving. Stay abreast of technological advancements in technology and those who are willing to learn and adapt will find abundant opportunities for a fulfilling career. Seek out mentors, stay curious and be open to all the possibilities that the construction industry has to offer.

Deltek is the recognized global standard for project management software for construction, government contracting and professional services firms. Powering over 30,000 businesses with industry-specific software and cloud services. More than 8,000 construction companies use Deltek ComputerEase to productively manage cost and job profitability, connect the field and office, improve collaboration, new employees, and improve collaboration to drive productivity and business growth.



HUB International's Mid-Year Construction Insurance Rate Report

Based on proprietary insurance premium data, HUB's network of experts provides insight into the state of the insurance marketplace. Download our Rate Report to understand rate forecasts and learn how insurance rates may impact your total cost of risk.

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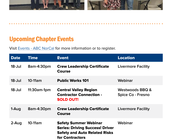


That's a Wrap!

Thank you to everyone who came out to the June 13th Contractor Connection. A shout out goes to **New Pointe Electric, Inc.** for hosting and **Hilltop Insurance Group, LLC** for attending! See you at the next Contractor Connection on July 18th!

Upcoming Chapter Events

Visit Events - ABC NorCal for more information or to register.

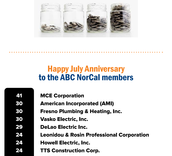
Date	Time	Event	Location
18- Jul	8am-4:30pm	**Crane Leadership Certificate Course**	Livermore Facility
18-Jul	10:15am	**Public Works 101**	Webinar
18- Jul	11:30am-1pm	**Central Valley Region Construction Connection - SOLD OUT!**	Westerners BBQ & Spice Co - Fresno
1-Aug	8am-4:30pm	**Crane Leadership Certificate Course**	Livermore Facility
2-Aug	10:15am	**Safety Summer Webinar Series Driving Success! Driver Safety Training Required Now for Contractors**	Webinar
15-Aug	10:15am	**Public Works 101**	Webinar
6-Sep	10am-6pm	**Annual Golf Tournament**	Cinnabar Hills Golf Club - San Jose
13-Sep	10-11am	**Safety Summer Webinar Series Ergonomics Modification Rate (EMR): What is It and Why It's Important**	Webinar
19-Sep	10:15am	**Public Works 101**	Webinar
21-Sep	8am	**Heart & Stroke Walk**	River Islands - Lathrop

Sponsorships Available! Contact Erika Flores at abcnorcal.org for more information.

Remembering ABC NorCal Member Alec Garcia (1959-2024)

It is a sad order to try and summarize the life of Alec Garcia in a few words. Alec was a man of many talents and multi-layers. Alec was a pillar of the community, beloved husband, father and brother, and as a life-long Capuran, he was a proud member of the Class of 1977. Alec passed away at the age of 64 in his home on June 19, 2024.

He is survived by his wife Joan, who was his partner for 35 years, and by his two sons Beau and Jake, whom he was so proud of. Alec is also survived by his mother Marie and Jeff and their wives Liz and Steve, brother Mike and his wife Julie. Alec had three grandaughters who he adored—Kiki, Anna and Emma. READ MORE | SEND TO CHRIS | SHARE A MEMORY



News Releases

Nonresidential Construction Spending Slips 0.1% in May, but Remains Elevated

National nonresidential construction spending decreased 0.1% in May, according to an Associated Builders and Contractors analysis of data published today by the U.S. Census Bureau. On a seasonally adjusted annualized basis, nonresidential spending totaled $1.21 trillion. READ MORE

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Construction Adds 27,000 Jobs in June; Industry Unemployment Rate Plunges to Second Lowest Ever Recorded

The construction industry added 27,000 jobs on net in June, according to an Associated Builders and Contractors analysis of data released today by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. On a year-over-year basis, industry employment has increased by 239,000 jobs, an increase of 2.9%. READ MORE

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics *Includes Nonresidential Building, Nonresidential E/T/S, and Heavy and Civil Engineering **Includes Residential Building and Residential E/T/S

How Great Companies Are Offering Flexible Work Options, Driving Retention and Engagement

Research shows that when employees can choose between remote, in-person or hybrid work, they are more likely to want to stay and more likely to be engaged. Remote work isn't feasible for every organization—but many employers need other to go to a workplace every day. A new report from Great Place To Work. READ MORE

Hidden Fees Banned July 1

On July 1, 2024, the new "Hidden Fees" or "junk Fees" law (SB 478) will take effect. Put simply by California's enforcement agency, "the price a Californian sees should be the price they pay." This law applies to business to consumer transactions and third vendors, but it has broad application to many other businesses. READ MORE

Happy July Anniversary to the ABC NorCal members:

41	**MCE Corporation**
30	**American Incorporated (AMI)**
30	**Fresno Plumbing & Heating, Inc.**
30	**Veeko Electric, Inc.**
30	**DeLeo Electric Inc.**
24	**Leonidou & Rosin Professional Corporation**
24	**Howell Electric, Inc.**
24	**TTS Construction Corp.**
24	**Hanford ABC**
24	**TBS Contractors**
24	**Hauan & Anglo Inc.**
24	**Delta Building Maintenance**
17	**B Bros Construction, Inc**
16	**InterWest Insurance Services, LLC**
16	**PSR Electric**
15	**Portola Construction, Inc.**
13	**Rolfe Construction Inc.**
13	**KO Underground Construction, Inc.**
12	**D.L. Payne Inc.**
11	**Warnack Striping, Inc.**
11	**Gems Environmental Management Services, Inc.**
11	**EVRA Construction, Inc.**
11	**Sawman Construction**
11	**WWF Contractors Corp**
11	**Avam Electric, Inc.**
10	**Excelsio Coating, Inc.**
10	**American Plumbing Systems, Inc.**
9	**Scudder Roofing Sun Energy Systems**
8	**Schweiger Plumbing, Inc.**
8	**Coughran Mechanical Services, Inc.**
7	**G.F. Garcia & Sons, Inc.**
7	**Innovative Construction Solutions**
7	**G & G Builders Inc.**
6	**Canning Electric, Inc.**
6	**KS Plumbing, Inc.**
6	**Flowline Contractors, Inc.**
5	**Bay Area Tree Specialists**
5	**MP Neelevel of California, Inc.**
5	**California Highway Construction Group, Inc.**
3	**S&H Construction Inc.**
3	**Eaton Corporation**
2	**Key Electric, Inc**
1	**Elevate Safety & Risk Management, LLC**
1	**Scott Construction Specialties, Inc.**
1	**Sabco Inc.**
1	**Giant Construction**
1	**Smelly Me's Plumbing**
1	**Michael Bray Construction**

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