



**November 2013 Newsletter**

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**October 2013 PEEG Board of Director's Meeting**



**PEEG President Cathrina Barros & Section President Mo Maher**

San Diego Section select officers attended the PEEG's October 2013 Boar of Director meeting on October and many items were discussed affecting the Committee member's attended.

**Annual Focus on the Future**

PEEG officers Roy Flores, Steve Lee and Matt Hanson attended the Self Help Counties held their annual Focus on the Future conference in downtown San Diego

On November 18th and 19<sup>th</sup> 2013. Speakers included Caltrans Director Malcolm Dougherty and California Transportation Secretary Brian Kelly. The focal point of the conference was on searching for solutions to increase transportation infrastructure funding. PEEG was a sponsor of the conference and attendees generally have a positive attitude of PEEG considering that many agency and consulting employees have previous Caltrans experience.

**Kearny Mesa Retrofit & Relocation**



San Diego Section President **Mo Maher** and other officers met with PECG Labor Relations Counsel Steve Beck and SEIU representatives and PECG members affected by the Kearny Mesa relocation and raised members' concerns to Caltrans in an effort to accommodate members' requests and needs.

### Members' General Meeting



**PECG President Elect Roy Flores talked to members**

San Diego Section members attended the general meeting with guest speakers Past PECG President Steve Lee, PECG President Elect Roy Flores and PECG Labor Relations Counsel Jesse Rodriguez and discussed a variety of subjects.



Lunch was provided for the members by the San Diego Section prepared by the D-11 Cafeteria



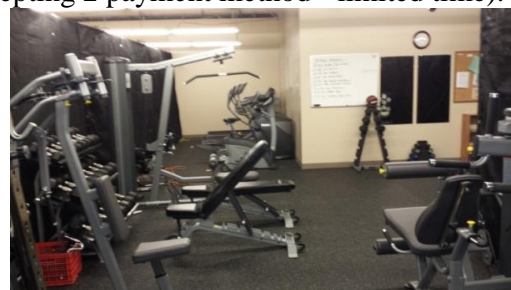
Left to right, Diane Vermeulen Section Treasurer, Roy Flores PECG President Elect, Azar Habibafshar Section VP Rank & File, Lawrence Emerson (Section VP Supervisory, Steve Lee PECG Past President, Lilia Bowman Section VP At Large, Robert Lumahan Section Director, Mo Maher Section President and Jesse Rodriguez PECG Labor Relations Counsel.

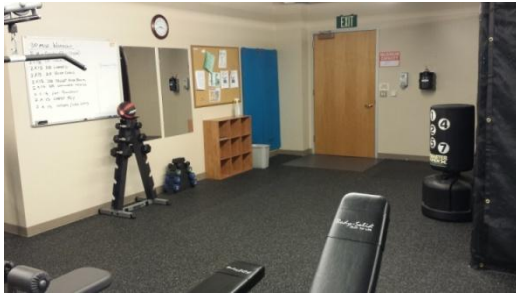


**Jesse Rodriguez PECG Labor Relations Counsel answered member's questions**

### San Diego Section PECG sponsored D-11 Gymnasium

Tired of feeling tired!?! Come get fit at the District 11 Wellness Center! Now fully equipped for classes and support a variety of strength training machines that will help you get energized!! Only \$120 per year (now accepting 2 payment method - limited time).





Questions or concerns about the Gym?  
Please contact: past PECG officer Ben  
Guerrero Jr., D-11 Vice President  
Wellness Center at (619) 688-3199

### San Diego Science and Engineering Fair

The 60th Annual Greater San Diego Science and Engineering Fair will be held March 25 - 30, 2014 at the Balboa Park Activity Center (2145 Park Blvd.)

Diego Section will be heavily involved at the Fair and members interested in helping as volunteer judges representing PECG please contact Robert Lumahan Science Fair Committee Chair at:  
[robert\\_lumahan@dot.ca.gov](mailto:robert_lumahan@dot.ca.gov).

### Employee Recognition Day



**PECG and SEIU activists helped with the event**

PECG officers and activists attended the D-11 Employee recognition and Section had a table set and in cooperation with SEIT provided water and sodas to attendees.

### President's Message



**Mo Maher Section President**

Dear members, amongst many tasks that the Section would like to accomplish, the communication between the members and the officers is a priority, please feel free to call me or the Section officers with questions or concerns that you have. I think it is important that we do not forget about Supervisors' pay as well as Rank and File. We want to get more involved in our communities and help the youth get more interested in Engineering and Science and we can play a better role in mentoring students and support projects such as habitat for humanity, MESA and other similar organizations and encourage our community youth to continue higher education. Section funds should also go to provide scholarships to the PECG family members and we should continue to support Corporate PECG's Scholarship program. Section has been and will continue to serve in DAC and we have officers serving Supervisor and Rank and File members with any work related conflicts.

### Comments & Suggestions

if you have any comments/suggestions regarding this newsletter, please contact:

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