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DOUG THIESSEN, MANAGING DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING FOR THE PORT OF LONG BEACH

Doug oversees the Port's Engineering Bureau. Appointed by the Board of Harbor Commissioners to his present position in February 2007, he heads all Port engineering, construction, and maintenance programs including the current annual capital program budget of more than \$600 million and the 10 year, \$4.5 billion CIP program.

Doug joined the Long Beach Harbor Department in January 2000 as assistant chief harbor engineer. His assignments then included implementation of a large scale redevelopment of the former Long Beach Naval Shipyard into the Port's largest shipping terminal. He then was promoted to the post of chief harbor engineer where he served for more than six years. As head of the engineering division, he had responsibility for engineering design, project and contract management, surveying and mapping, and construction.

Doug grew up in Hawaii and Micronesia. His father, a former naval officer and transportation director for the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, later ran a shipping business in Hawaii. Doug started out working for him as a deck hand and clerk.

THE PETROLEUM CLUB
3636 Linden Ave.
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Presiding: PDG DENNIS DRAG, PHD
Invocation: RUDY HEDGREN
Program Arranged by:
DENNIS DRAG

'BIG POUR' COMPLETES BASE FOR FIRST OF TWO BRIDGE TOWERS

In a highly choreographed event involving a stream of concrete trucks, huge pumps and dozens of workers, contractors today completed a critical "pile cap" that allows crews to start erecting the first of two 515-foot-tall towers for

Guests welcome!

the new bridge under construction at the Port of Long Beach. From about 8 p.m. Monday to 8 a.m. Tuesday, about 3,200 cubic yards of concrete was poured in and around 2,240 square feet of rebar forms to create a nearly two-story-tall pile cap to serve as a base for a tower at the Gerald Desmond Bridge Replacement Project.

"Today's 'big pour' is a significant milestone in the Gerald Desmond Bridge Replacement Project and the result of months of planning, preparation and cooperation," said Duane Kenagy, Capital Programs Senior Executive Lead for the Port. "This pile cap will enable us to begin constructing the first signature tower that will rise 515 feet and connect the cables to the road deck."

Visible for miles, the two towers on either side of the Port's Back Channel will be the main features of the cable-stayed bridge, the first of its kind in California.

Because of the amount of concrete that was poured, today's pile cap construction operation required much coordination includes:



He received a bachelor's degree and did graduate work in seismic and civil engineering at the University of Southern California, and then began his engineering career with Caltrans as a junior civil engineer.

Doug started his Port career with the Port of Los Angeles in 1983 where he worked for 15 years on expansion projects. He was named the Port's manager of special projects, including managing all aspects of the APL-Pier 300 container terminal (the nation's largest terminal at the time).

Doug is past chairman of the Ports and Harbors Committee for the American Society of Civil Engineers, a Board member of the California Marine Affairs and Navigation Conference and voting member of the Alameda Corridor Operating Committee. He is executive director of the Intermodal Container Transfer facility Joint Powers Authority (ICTF-JPA). He is a Trustee of the Academy of Coasts, Oceans, Ports and Navigation Engineers.

He and his wife, Pauline, are the parents of four daughters.



An elaborate and carefully designed rebar structure built over six weeks to serve as the pile's reinforcing form and to connect 12 completed underground piles into a single unit for the base of the tower. Concrete deliveries had to be timed from two plants. More than 300 truckloads of concrete were poured into the pile cap.

To watch construction live via webcams and for other details, visit www.newgdbridge.com.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S VISIT
LARRY WEHAGE, our DG, will attend this meeting. Come say hello.



Retrospective September 25, 2015

The Petroleum Club, Presiding: PDG JUDITH OLMSTED POWELL. Invocation: RUDY HEDGREN. Piano: A. Capella. Song/spirit: PP MARILYN RUSSELL BITTLE. MARILYN noted the presence of FELIX FRANKLIN. Announcements: JUDY announced that we can get "square" style badges that have the further advantage of a magnetic clip. The magnetic badges are \$8 and the tradition clips are \$7. You can contact JUDY or BARD HALLER or the office phone. She also reminded us of the cell phone policy, White Cane canisters, and to keep donating cell phones, hearing aids, and eye glasses. PCC ROGER POWELL outlined how the White Cane cans now pay for our eyeglass program. The committee is headed by SANDY GJONOVICH. We are also forming an Activities Committee. PATRICK NEBO is the first member. JUDY highlighted the JACK MACDONALD Day at the Races. A very pleasant time for all. JUDY noted that SANDY MACDONALD donated \$300 to the club in honor of JACK. We gave \$150 to Lions Charities. The remainder was raffled off, the winners being GEORGE MILLER JR., ED BARWICK, CLAUDIA HARDEN and BEVERLY QUAIFFE. The Toshiba sign up is for Oct 30, either 9:30 to 3pm or noon to closing (about 6pm).

GEORGE thanked all those who showed up for the Norwalk visitation (we had 9 members there)! The Pasadena Host visit will be on Nov. 10. The board meeting will move to the 17th. PP GENE JOHNSON noted the Boys and Girls Clubs Thanksgiving dinner will be on November 18 and 19. Tail Twister RICH STANLEY raised Happy Bucks from himself (tribute to Yogi Berra); PP GARTH PHILLIPS (echoed those sentiments); PP MERLIN THIMLAR (in honor of a dear friend who passed); MARILYN (got to go to her granddaughter's cross country meet); GENE (big family do celebrating #3 great-grandson's birthday); PP YOURS TRULY (6th wedding anniversary); PP DENNIS DRAG (birth of 2nd and 3rd grandsons); PP MEL NUTTER unearthed a long lost phonograph record of his father being interviewed by Art Linkletter—wow—he can play a phonograph record!); PP LINDA WEINGARTNER (the Tahoe slots were good to her). GEOFF GATLEY called from home to explain a pipe burst that morning. LINDA ran the 50/50, won by ROGER. COD JUDY had fun and raised money with questions about German history and culture. She then intro'd accordionist Linda Herman and tubist Mark Greene. The music, dancing and beer were all great!



Oct. 16—DENNIS DRAG, TBA
Program Chair—PDG DENNIS DRAG
Greeter—PP ED BARWICK
Oct. 23, TBA

CALENDAR

October

1—CSAC
6—Membership Committee
6—Charities Committee
13—Board meeting
20—Zone A meeting
30—Dark! Toshiba Classic
31—District meeting

November

3—Membership Committee
3—Charities Committee
5—CSAC
10—Pasadena Host visitation
17—Board meeting
17—Zone A meeting
18—B&G Club Thanksgiving dinner
19—B&G Club Thanksgiving dinner
26—Thanksgiving
27—Dark!

December

1—Membership Committee
1—Charities Committee
3—CSAC
5—Belmont Shore parade
8—Board meeting
13—Holiday Party
25—Dark! Christmas

January

1—Dark! New Years Day
5—Membership Committee
5—Charities Committee
7—CSAC
12—Board meeting
19—Zone A meeting
23—District meeting

February

2—Membership Committee
2—Charities Committee
4—CSAC
5—7—MD4 Convention, Modesto
9—Board meeting
14—Valentines Day
15—President's Day
16—Zone A Meeting

March

1—Membership Committee

YOU CAN HELP: THE TOSHIBA CLASSIC

We are manning a booth at the Toshiba Classic Golf Tournament, Oct. 30 at the Newport Beach Country Club. There are two shifts: 9:30am to 3pm and noon to close. We earn money for our charities. Your help is appreciated. Sign up at a Friday meeting or contact PP ED BARWICK.

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6	PP MEL NUTTER
14	JOHN ROUSE
16	RUDY HEDGREN
22	CLAUDIA HARDEN

