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Texas Association of County Engineers & Road Administrators  
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## WHAT IS TACERA?

The Texas Association of County Engineers and Road Administrators is a professional organization which was chartered in 1987 to provide technical and professional interchange. Membership is open to all county road engineers, administrators and their staff. TACERA is affiliated with the National Association of County Engineers (NACE) and the Texas Public Works Association (TPWA). Our organization is headquartered in Austin, TX. This allows TACERA to bring its members timely, informative programs and services.

TACERA partners with LTAP to provide continuing education credits for professional engineers and county commissioners. Our annual conference and one-day workshops provide an opportunity to earn CEUs for your professional requirements.



## TACERA 2018 Conference & Golf Tournament

by Charlie Hastings, P.E., CFM, County Engineer, Kerr County – 2019 TACERA President

The 2018 TACERA Conference at the San Antonio Wyndham Riverwalk Hotel and Golf Tournament at the Quarry Golf Club proved



to be a very successful event. The golf tournament, despite being rained out, was the largest group of

golfers and sponsors in TACERA history and netted nearly \$15,000 to benefit TACERA endowments. The newest of which has been set up at the University of Texas San Antonio (UTSA). It takes \$25,000 to endow a scholarship, which, through interest, provides an annual \$1000 Scholarship to engineering students. TACERA foundation scholarships are set up at the University of Texas Austin, University of Texas El Paso, University of Texas San Antonio, Texas A&M University, Texas A&M University Kingsville and Texas Tech.

The conference kicked off with morning and afternoon sessions, followed by a special reception honoring TACERA's 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary in which former presidents and founding fathers were recognized. Conference evaluations revealed most attendees are generally pleased with the format and additional/new topics have been suggested and are being considered for the 2019 Conference which is being spearheaded by Vice President, Yancy Scott. Yancy plans to use a Call for Abstracts from the members and vendors to fill the 20-plus speaker slots.

The conference closed with awards for the County Road Employee of the year, Stephen Eubanks and County Engineer of the year, Bryan Neaves. In addition to these awards, Honorary TACERA membership was presented to Joe England, Ron Drachenberg, Clarence Daughtery and Richard Macchi. Final remarks from outgoing President, Chad Davis, were a reading from an inscription on the TACERA president's gavel which reads, "Let your speech be always with love, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every person."

The 2019 TACERA Conference will be held at the San Antonio Wyndham Riverwalk Hotel, October 28<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019. The golf tournament location is to be determined, however, TopGolf Entertainment Complex in San Antonio is being researched and heavily considered.

## 2019 TACERA Goals and Committee Chairs

The TACERA Board meets every other month to conduct business meetings and establish goals. The goals for 2019 are to promote our awards, conference, one day workshops and scholarships. Due to the great workload, TACERA operates through committees which are led by committee chairmen. The 2019 Committee Chairmen consist of: Auditing – Chad Davis, Newsletter/Social Media – Stephen Eubanks, Committee of the Future – Chad Davis, Constitution and Bylaws – Chad Davis, Membership – Joseph Jackson, Nominating – Robert Berndt, Scholarship – Chad Davis, Education – Yancy Scott, Programs – Terron Evertson, Golf – Aaron Martinez. [Click here to see the TACERA Organization Chart](#)



County Road Employee of the Year,  
Stephen Eubanks



County Engineer of the Year,  
Bryan Neaves

## Upcoming Events/Training

**2019 TACERA Annual Conference**  
 The 2019 National Association of County Engineers Conference will be held in Wichita, Kansas. TACERA will be sending a delegation consisting of the TACERA President, Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer.

Would you like to host a TACERA workshop?

Contact us! [Tacera1@att.net](mailto:Tacera1@att.net)



The TACERA President's gavel was made by one of our past Presidents, Kenneth Cline, and was presented to our current President, Charlie Hastings, and our most recent past President, Chad Davis.

#### TEXAS LTAP SPRING NEWSLETTER

[http://www.txltap.com/media/news/txltap%20better%20roads%20afer%20roads%20may2018\\_final.pdf](http://www.txltap.com/media/news/txltap%20better%20roads%20afer%20roads%20may2018_final.pdf)

#### NACE AND FHWA PARTNER TO PROMOTE LOCAL ROAD SAFETY PLANS

[https://www.countyengineers.org/nace-news-18jun\\_3](https://www.countyengineers.org/nace-news-18jun_3)

#### NACE WELCOMES KEVAN STONE AS NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

[https://www.countyengineers.org/nace-news-18may\\_2](https://www.countyengineers.org/nace-news-18may_2)

[BridgeReports.com](http://www.BridgeReports.com) is a searchable version of the [National Bridge Inventory](http://www.National Bridge Inventory) (2017 edition)

*We hope you enjoyed this newsletter!  
Feel free to contact the board members with suggestions, news, or interesting articles!*

*Until Next time,  
TACERA Board of Directors*

