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of North Carolina

The latest news & upcoming events
for engineering excellence in
North Carolina

Upcoming Events:

March:

3.17.2021

B&I Committee Meeting

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3.23.2021

Business Practices
Committee Meeting

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3.24.2021- 3.26.2021

Southeast Rail Forum

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3.25.2021

Pitch Fore The PAC

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3.30.2021

Webinar: Inside the
Buyer's Brain – Insights
from the New Study

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April:

4.8.2021

Legislative Committee
Meeting

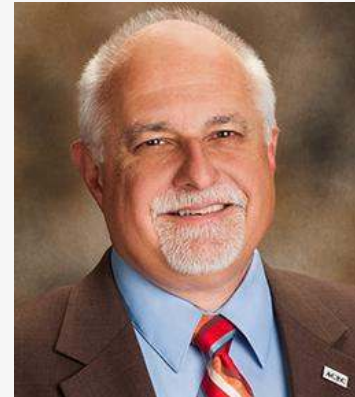
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4.15.2021

A Proposal for Building

A message from Executive Director James Smith

Happy almost Spring! After these weeks of rain and cold temperatures, I know like me, you are looking forward to seeing the sun more often. Please know your ACEC/NC team is always here to support you in any way that we can because we are all in this together!



Your ACEC/NC team is continuing to keep the pressure on elected officials at the state and national level to ensure we have a long-term vision on addressing our infrastructure challenges.

Read this month's full letter [here](#).

2021-2022 ACEC/NC Legislative Agenda

With the new legislative biennium underway, ACEC/NC is putting forth an aggressive proposal to address long-term transportation funding. We know that this proposal will face a significant road before it is agreed to and we will need your help to get it across the finish line. In addition to transportation funding, we are also looking to address many other issues of importance to our members and the state's economic opportunity. Check out the full 2021-2022 Legislative Agenda [here](#).

Join us as we PITCH FORE THE PAC!

Ever been bowling? Well,

Purposeful Teams Online

Class

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[Save The Date](#)

ACEC/ NC PAC
Sporting Clay
05.07.21

Drake Landing
Fuquay Varina

[Details](#)

ACEC/ NC Legislative
Golf Tournament
06.28.21

Prestonwood GC
Cary

[Details](#)

Summer Conference
07.29 - 07.31
Wrightsville Beach

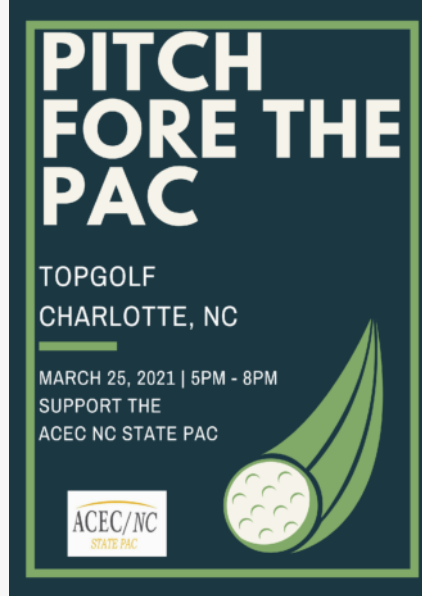
We're advocating
for the N.C.
engineering
industry!

To see the most recent
legislative updates that
could impact you and
your firm [click here](#).



The engineering industry in North Carolina has experienced significant impacts during the COVID-19 pandemic.

[Click here](#) to view our state resource page that includes the



Deadline to register is Friday, March 19

[Click here](#) for to register.

at Topgolf, you play in a "bay" rather than a lane, and from that bay, you hit micro-chipped golf balls into giant targets in the outfield to score points. No golf experience needed!

Bring your clients, colleagues or reward your staff for a job well done. This event is strictly for FUN and to raise money for the ACEC/NC State PAC.

ACEC/NC Member
Registration: \$85



Do you know
what tier you
are in for the
vaccine?

NCDHHS is working diligently to make sure people are vaccinated as quickly and fairly as possible, starting with those who are more susceptible to the virus and those more likely to get dangerously sick from it. You might qualify for early access to the vaccine. [Click here](#) to find out what vaccine group you're in.

ACEC/PAC
Tops \$1
Million in
Annual
Fundraising,
Finishes Just
Short of 2019 Goal



ACEC/PAC were able to raise more than \$1 million to support business-minded Congressional candidates. The pandemic made fundraising very difficult for most member organizations due to the reliance on face-to-face events and networking. Despite the global pandemic, forty-four states hit their 2020 fundraising targets. [Click here](#) for full article.

most recent information and updates.

[Click here](#) to view the National resource page that includes the most recent information and updates.

NC State Alumnus Leads Development of the First Rapid at-home test-kit for COVID-19



North Carolina State alumnus and director of engineering at Lucira Health, Frankie Myers led the design and development of the Lucira COVID-19 All-In-One Test Kit. The first at-home rapid COVID-19 test was recently approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and could address two major pain points of COVID-19 crisis, shorter lines and waiting periods. [Click here](#) for full article.

Featured Member Spotlight



WithersRavenel Inc. is a multi-disciplinary firm based in Cary, North Carolina, and is proudly 100% employee-owned. With the motto, "Our People. Your Success," WithersRavenel operates with a community approach, supporting infrastructure projects that enhance the quality of life for all. The company provides full-service engineering and consulting in six core areas; environmental, geomatics, land development and planning, funding and asset management, stormwater, and utilities. WithersRavenel has six additional locations across the state, working on projects throughout North Carolina. The team of 285 has earned a long list of accolades for its services. One of the most notable was the 2019 ACEC-NC Engineering Excellence Award for improvements along the Crabtree Creek Greenway. The engineering and landscape architecture expertise of WithersRavenel transformed a 1.7-mile section from a basic foot trail to an innovative picturesque connector with a 730-foot boardwalk across Lake Crabtree. The firm was also recently recognized with multiple awards for innovative downtown Raleigh project work; the Smoky Hollow project includes downtown Raleigh's first national grocery store and Peace Raleigh Apartments, complete with a seven-level parking deck.

You can see the firm's recent work at the Amazon Distribution Center in Garner, the wastewater treatment plant for the Town of Clayton, or within the Town of Cary in its street improvements.

WithersRavenel, Inc. credits its success to client-based service, evolving leadership with an entrepreneurial mindset, and diversification of projects in the public and private sectors. To learn more about this month's ACEC/NC membership spotlight, visit their website at <https://withersravenel.com/>

ACEC is pleased to produce its second virtual event experience to connect with industry partners across the country! The virtual event will showcase all of the education and networking of our in-person



Convention. To view the complete schedule and register, visit the [event page](#).

ACEC Accepting Nominations for Young Professional Award

The Young Professional of the Year Award is awarded to young engineers to highlight their engineering contributions and the resulting impact on society. The campaign is designed to enhance and improve the image of engineering by recognizing young, diverse, and talented engineers, thereby portraying engineering as an exciting profession open to everyone. To learn more about nomination guidelines, [click here](#).



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ACEC/NC is the premier organization that represents the business interests of the engineering industry in our state. ACEC/NC's mission is to promote the business interests of engineering companies by providing legislative advocacy and business services.