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**SAN JOAQUIN ENGINEERS COUNCIL ANNOUNCES
GENE WEATHERBY
AS RECIPIENT OF THE
2009 ENGINEER OF THE YEAR AWARD**

The San Joaquin Engineers Council is pleased to announce **Gene Weatherby** as the recipient of the distinguished **2009 Engineer of the Year Award**.

Mr. Weatherby earned his bachelors degree in civil engineering from U.C. Berkeley in 1959. His fifty years of service in the engineering profession began with the U.S. Forest Service and a few private firms before starting his own company in 1964. By 1973 he was the sole owner of Weatherby & Associates which, through the years, has transformed to become Weatherby-Reynolds-Fritson Engineering & Design and is where Mr. Weatherby still works.

Mr. Weatherby's career has spanned decades within the foothill area of California. He is currently serving on the Local Agency Formation Committee (LAFCO) overseeing inter-agency government projects in Calaveras County and is the Consulting Engineer for both Calaveras County and Alpine County Public Works. His many years of experience have made Mr. Weatherby an invaluable resource for other engineers. Most engineers and land surveyors in the foothill area have either been trained by or worked for Mr. Weatherby at one time in their careers.

Beyond his professional career Mr. Weatherby has remained active in a variety of professional organizations, including serving on the Board since formation for both the Consulting Engineers and Land Surveyors of California (CELSOC) and the American Counsel of Engineering Companies (ACEC). He has been the CELSOC representative on the Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors Board of Review (BORPELS) and active member of many other professional organizations including the American Concrete Institute (ACI), the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) and the American Institute of Steel Construction (AISC). In 2008 Mr. Weatherby was awarded Honorary Member status by CELSOC for his years of service.

In addition to his professional work, Mr. Weatherby gives generously of his personal time. He is active in the Lions Club at both the District and International levels where he has served as Zone and Region Chairman and District Governor, Past District Governor for the Finance Committee and as a member of the Budgeting and Auditing Committee. Mr. Weatherby has been honored by the Lions Club International with the Melvin Jones Award for his exemplary service to the organization.

Mr. Weatherby and his wife of fifty years, Kathleen, have raised five children, two girls and three boys, and has thirteen grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

The award will be presented to Mr. Weatherby at the San Joaquin Engineers Council Annual Engineer's Banquet on February 19, 2009 at the University of the Pacific. The banquet is held during Engineer's Week, a nation-wide event recognizing the works and contributions of the engineering profession. Please contact Ahmad Haya, 209-831-2300, or Deedee Antypas, 209-943-2021 for event information.

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