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A Note from ACEC-KY President Brad Gregory

Well, it happened... My stint as President has finally rolled around. Those of you that have served in this role before well know, it is a time that you both look forward to and fear a little at the same time. While I am so grateful to be part of such a

tremendous organization, you always have that little voice in the back of your mind saying, "Don't screw it up!" As I told someone at our annual meeting last week, my main goal is just to keep everything running smoothly. So, here we go...

Last week on June 12th, ACEC-KY held its annual meeting at Buffalo Trace Distillery. For those that were able to make it, we got to hear from outgoing President Steve McDevitt one last time as he summed up the year and all the things that were accomplished. Our guest speaker at this year's meeting was Secretary Greg Thomas, of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet. As always, the Secretary did a great job and we appreciate he and his staff being willing to come share what is going on at KYTC. This is just one example of the great partnering relationships that have been cultivated by those that come before me at ACEC-KY.

Also at the annual meeting, many of the members got to meet Sara Massey, our new executive director, for the first time in person. Sara has done a great job hitting the ground running and is already pursuing several new ideas and initiatives. One major idea that Sara has brought to the table is a re-tooling of the way that the KEC communicates with the members of both ACEC-KY and KSPE. Sara has enlisted the help of C2 Strategic Communications to develop an audit of the current ways that we communicate with our membership, whether it is the website, social media, e-mail, or even this newsletter. Through this audit and working closely with the leadership of both organizations, C2 will be able to develop an effective, efficient, and modern communication strategy for the KEC. I'm sure there will be much more to come on this subject and I encourage everyone to be a part of this process by

making sure to answer any questionnaires or polls that C2 may have during their audit or just by simply making suggestions to Sara or myself. Our goal is to find the best way to serve the member firms of ACEC-KY.

Something else to look forward to soon is a renovation at the KEC. It's been over 20 years since any major remodeling has happened at the KEC and things are starting to look a little dated. As many of you already know, we recently freshened up the training room in the basement with new flooring, paint, lighting and a reconfiguration to better suit the way we conduct training. Additionally, all of the computer work stations were recently replaced to meet the computing needs of the new OpenRoads training that will be starting soon for KYTC and their design consultants. This project turned out great and was funded completely through the Professional Development Committee budget by funds set aside from every training class for future upgrades.

There are so many exciting things happening at ACEC-KY and the KEC and I am really looking forward to seeing where Sara is able to take our organizations in the years to come. I'm sure she is more than a little nervous about having to deal with me, but I promise I won't do anything to run her off! It was way too much work filling the position to go through that again. All kidding aside, I think we made a great hire and added a tremendous asset to both organizations. So with your help (to keep me from messing things up) we will be on our way to new successes and growing as an organization this time next year. If there is ever anything I can do for you, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brad Gregory". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Brad Gregory, PE, PLS
President, ACEC-KY 2019-20

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2019 ACEC Fall Conference

The 2019 ACEC Fall Conference is coming up soon. Be sure to mark your calendars for this ACEC event being held October 13 - 16, 2019 at the Sheraton Grand Chicago.

A preliminary schedule was emailed out by ACEC National earlier this week. If you are looking for CEO Roundtables or CMO Roundtables, you want to make sure you are there on Sunday. The Welcome Reception will be held Sunday evening. Educational sessions are scheduled for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Registration will be opening this week so be sure to check for event updates at <http://www.acec.org>.



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