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A WORD FROM OUR CFO



Kris Taylor
CFO

Exciting times! Over halfway through 2021, and we are in such a different place than we were 18 months ago. **The uncertainty is gone, and we are booming.** We continue to have a well-rounded workload with clients we truly enjoy, on projects that are exciting and rewarding, and staff that is dedicated, intelligent, and fun - you will see on the last page, we had our first in-person event at Portside Pier and had a blast!

For me, the real excitement comes when we can promote growth from within and see the rewards in our staff. **The executive team is beaming with pride as we announce the promotion of four well-deserving gentlemen into the Associate position.** These four have grown in our company and worked up through the ranks to get to this position. While lumping the four of them together when talking about them does each of them a disservice because they all have such unique qualities that sets them apart from each other, this ends up being the beauty of the four of them rising together – they complement each other, they feed off each other, and they inspire each other.

Justin Giles, Kyle Boyce, Sean Drake and Sean Scaramella really exemplify what our company stands for, they are leaders, they are passionate, they are extremely bright, they take ownership, they want to win, they don't take their relationships for granted (both clients and staff), they are curious, and probably most importantly they are authentic! All four are well deserving of this promotion!

You can read more about each of them on page 2 of the newsletter.

We have also had several other promotions this quarter deserving congratulations:

- **Vanessa Bolles and Jason Gordon promoted to Project Manager**
- **Casey Melrose promoted to Sr. Design Engineer**
- **Dustin Daneri and Nic Dilliot promoted to Design Engineer**

Congratulation to all our promoted employees!

FEATURED STORY

LATITUDE 33 PROMOTES FOUR NEW ASSOCIATES

Latitude 33 Planning & Engineering has promoted **Justin R. Giles, Kyle Boyce, Sean D. Drake and Sean Scaramella to Associate**. These gentlemen are all San Diego State University graduates (Aztecs for Life!) and bring over 45 years combined experience to our industry, and have managed numerous high-profile projects including life sciences, healthcare, hospitality, higher education, government and residential. They have grown with the company and have become a vital driving force to our organization. We are looking forward to seeing you grow in your new role. Congratulations!



Justin Robert Giles has more than 10 years' experience in the industry, during which time he has operated in several market sectors including public works, civic, multi-family residential, commercial, industrial, life science, and mixed-use. Since joining Latitude 33 in 2013, he has embodied the company's core values and injected his passion, dedication, and personality into his work, allowing him to be a proficient Associate and a compelling leader amongst his peers, focusing on large-scale office/life-science projects such as **Aperture Del Mar**, fast-paced County contracts, namely **County of San Diego YTC (Youth Transition Campus)**, and dynamic mixed-use developments including **The Village at Pacific Highlands Ranch** and **Merge 56**. As a proud San Diego County native, Justin is grateful for the opportunity to lead exciting projects that provide his community and family with new and re-imagined places to live, shop, eat, work, and play. ***Fun fact:** Justin ascribes his passion for construction and design to his grandfathers, Robert Malcolm Johnson and William Robert Giles, who both performed various construction and engineering duties during their service in the NAVY and to whom Justin owes his middle name.*

Kyle Boyce has more than 8 years' experience with his focus on institutional, civic, healthcare and life science projects across Southern California. Kyle has been with Latitude 33 since 2013 and is proficient in project management, civil engineering design, campus masterplans in a phased setting, permit processing and construction support. Kyle has managed a multitude of project delivery methods, including traditional design-bid-build, design-build, and most recently progressive-design-build. Some high-profile projects Kyle has worked on are **UC San Diego Hillcrest Medical Campus**, **UC San Diego Altman Clinical and Translational Research Institute**, **UC San Diego Mesa Nueva** and **San Diego County Sheriff's Department Regional Crime Lab**. Kyle is competent in highlighting constructability issues early in design and ensuring that multiple design schedules are coordinated for complex projects for construction to start promptly. This experience will allow Kyle to thrive in his Associate role. ***Fun fact:** Kyle first wanted to be an Architect in College, but ultimately gravitated towards engineering early at School. He still has a passion for Architecture/Landscape Architecture and the built environment!*

Sean D. Drake has 16 years' experience in the design industry, serving private and public sector land development projects. Sean has been with Latitude 33 since 2014 and is experienced in traditional design-bid-build projects as well as design-build project delivery methods and is familiar with public agency and organization projects. Using creatively conceived design ideas founded in practical experience, he leads many projects to success within many market sectors including federal, municipal/civic, educational, commercial, industrial, and residential projects. Some high-profile projects Sean is currently working on include **Pinnacle at Santa Fe Valley** (formerly Brisas Del Mar), **Security Fencing and Single Point of Entry Upgrades at 33 campuses for San Diego Unified School District**, **Oceanside Fire Station**, **Torrey Pines Fire Station**, and **JPI Jefferson La Mesa**. As an Associate, Sean will continue to contribute his knowledge, energetic work ethic, and creative thinking to Latitude 33, its projects, and its culture. ***Fun fact:** Sean's work ethic and passion in design and engineering originates mainly from the observations of his grandfather, Don Williams, a self-made man who's design and construction of a single boat trailer in the early 60s led to small business start-up and then to a massive corporation.*

Sean Scaramella has more than 16 years' experience working on projects varying from public improvements to thousand-acre developments. Sean has been with Latitude 33 since 2014 and is experienced in project management; engineering design; permit processing through multiple agencies throughout Southern California and into Arizona; engineering and physical planning design with private developers, public institutions, and Federal Government Agencies; and leading multi-disciplinary projects. Some high-profile projects Sean has worked on are **San Diego Airport Terminal 1**, **Grand Del Mar**, **Orchard Hills**, **Breeze Hill** and **UC San Diego Nuevo West**. As Associate, Sean will continue to find creative solutions to difficult issues, prove active leadership, and work with all team members to produce successful projects. ***Fun fact:** Originally Sean wanted to be a war correspondent before venturing into the civil engineering field. He enjoys hiking in his spare time and has climbed all the highest peaks in Southern California including the Pacific Crest Trail from Highway 2 to Mt. Baldy along the Devil's Backbone.*

CAMP BORREGO

Camp Borrego is an existing community development project located in the California state parks, Anza Borrego Desert. The project is in cooperation between the **Cal. State Parks and the Anza-Borrego Foundation and private non-profit dedicated to enhancing the area and providing educational opportunities** for the community and county children in the park. The project is an 80 acre site located at the foothills of the mountains at the west side on the park, near the welcome center.

The upgrades will include facilities to house up to 45 junior high school age children and camp chaperones/counselors. Facilities will provide **camping and education opportunities** to introduce and encourage understanding and learning about this amazing environment. Latitude 33 looks forward to working with the stakeholders to bring this dream to reality.



PLANNING DEPARTMENT WHAT'S NEW?

The Planning Department welcomes Eric Carlson as an Urban Planner who will be working alongside Camille Passon (Planning Project Manager) fulfilling planning project requests.

The most significant work currently being conducted is the **General Plan Amendment/ Specific Plan Amendment for the University District in San Marcos**. This project involves revising the text and figures of two separate specific plans, preparing additional analyses to justify the changes, managing a large consultant team, and public outreach efforts.

Planning is also providing services for the **Salk Institute SCR, Merge 56, CBX/OTN, UCSD Hillcrest**, and miscellaneous due diligence efforts, research, and preliminary reviews.



PROGRESSING PROJECTS LA JOLLA INNOVATION CENTER

Latitude 33 is working with the owner (GPI), design team led by Gensler Architecture, and UC San Diego (tenant) to redevelop the Rock Bottom Restaurant adjacent to 'the Campus on Villa La Jolla' and UC San Diego Urgent Care Medical Office Building as part of this unique 'P3' Project. The deceptively tall 7-story building including 2-stories of below grade parking will serve the University primarily as high-end office space, while providing a Café at the ground level for students and faculty.

Latitude 33 is providing civil design and survey services including **ALTA mapping, topographic survey, demolition permit, grading and drainage design, private utilities, stormwater treatment design, and public right-of-way improvement design** to provide upgraded utility infrastructure, frontage enhancements, and shoring required for the underground parking levels.

Led by Gensler, Latitude 33 is assisting the design team in the final push for building permit approval with the project scheduled to break ground this summer!



PROGRESSING PROJECTS BONSALL OAKS

Latitude 33 is moving this 104 lot second phase of large format and custom residential lot subdivision into the final design phases and getting ready for first **submittal to the County of San Diego**. Construction of the first phase of lots along with a winery facility is already underway.

Latitude 33 is looking forward to bringing this fabulous new residential community to the area. Our **engineering design and land surveying services** will make this project a reality in the coming months/years.



LATITUDE 33'S NEWEST TEAM MEMBERS



ROBERT D'AMARO | SR. PROJECT MANAGER

Robert D'Amato has joined Latitude 33 Planning & Engineering as a Sr. Project Manager. In his spare time, he enjoys maintaining a 100 gallon reef aquarium, camping, off-roading and going to baseball games. Early exposure to civil engineering made Robert want to pursue a career in the civil engineering field. His Father was a PE&LS and owned his own company in New York when Robert was growing up and the company is still in existence today and is being run by Roberts older brother. Welcome to the team Robert!

“ I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO WORKING WITH A TEAM THAT SUPPORTS EACHOTHER. ”




SIERRA ALLEGRA | PROJECT ENGINEER

Sierra Allegra has joined Latitude 33 Planning & Engineering as a Project Engineer for our Airport team. In her spare time she enjoys skiing/snowboarding, traveling and baking. Sierra was drawn to the civil engineering field because her dad is a rail engineer who inspired her to pursue civil engineering in college. "After graduating, I started working in aviation infrastructure and fell in love with aviation design. I love traveling and have so much fun looking at airport designs around the world." Welcome aboard!

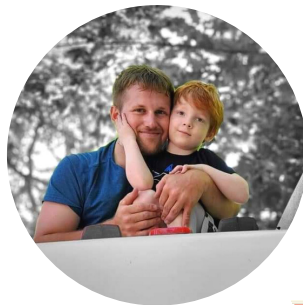
“ I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO THE SAN DIEGO SUNSHINE AND WORKING ON AVIATION PROJECTS WITH A GREAT TEAM. ”



JOSE ALVARADO | PARTY CHIEF / CADD TECHNICIAN

Jose Alvarado has joined Latitude 33 Planning & Engineering as a Party Chief / CADD Technician for our growing Survey team. Jose enjoys spending time with family, RC racing and being a Pit Man for an off road racing team. Jose has always had a passion for this line of work and is looking forward to improving the Survey Department. We are glad to have you on the team!

“ LOOKING FORWARD TO THE FAMILY LIKE ENVIRONMENT AND TEAM BUILDING. ”



HENRY GOLDING | PARTY CHIEF

Henry Golding has joined Latitude 33 Planning & Engineering as a Party Chief for our growing Survey team. Henry enjoys spending time with his family, spending time on the water and traveling around Baja. Henry was exposed to surveying at a young age because both his dad and uncle were surveyors. Welcome to the team!

“ LOOKING FORWARD TO HELPING BUILD UP THE SURVEY DEPARTMENT AND HELP SHAPE THE FIELD PROCEDURES AND STANDARDS FOR YEARS TO COME. ”



This quarters' company outreach supported the Imperial Valley MESA program. MESA stands for Mathematics Engineering Science Achievement. It is an afterschool program for kids from grades K-12. Students do engineering projects like build bridges, airplanes, robots, and coding while working with their mentors for a year and then compete against other kids from different schools. Latitude 33's donation will award a few scholarships to graduating MESA Students!

If you would like to give or learn more visit ivmesaprogram.org

DID YOU KNOW?

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LATITUDE 33'S NEWEST TEAM MEMBERS



BERNARD APARICIO | DESIGN ENGINEER

Bernard Aparicio has joined Latitude 33 Planning & Engineering as a Design Engineer. In his spare time, he enjoys surfing, working on old cars, and reading. He also rows competitively but has a love-hate relationship with the sport. His interest in Civil Engineering stems from failed structures in Southern Utah. He witnessed an extreme winter snowfall, which crushed homes in a rural community. The spring drainage eroded foundations and roads, leaving infrastructure difficult to repair. A major avalanche occurred, destroying the only highway to the nearest small city. The event, and the community's reaction to it, sparked his interest in the built environment. Happy to have you on the team!

“ I AM EXCITED TO EXPAND MY TOOLSET AND DESIGN SKILLS WHILE DEVELOPING EXPERIENCE IN LAND DEVELOPMENT. ”



BRANDON BONGCARON | MAPPING TECHNICIAN

Brandon Bongcaron has joined Latitude 33 Planning & Engineering as a Mapping Technician. In his photo he is standing next to a C-130 and it represents his passion for aviation and traveling. He has recently graduated from San Diego State University this past May with a degree in Civil Engineering. In his spare time he enjoys basketball, hanging out with friend including his dog Kono and traveling. He wanted to work in the civil engineering field due to the ability to produce a positive impact towards society. With civil engineering, he is able provide input in the infrastructure that people need in their daily lives. Welcome to the team!

“ I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO COLLABORATING WITH THE TEAM AND CONTRIBUTING TOWARDS OUR GOALS. ”



BRENDA CORONA | SR. DESIGN ENGINEER

Brenda Corona has joined Latitude 33 Planning & Engineering as a Sr. Design Engineer. Brenda enjoys watching Anime, exploring new places with her family and attending soccer games. She believes that civil engineering makes a huge impact on our normal day to day lives. "It is also a field with everlasting growth and development. It's also immensely diverse, meaning you can go into any discipline and contribute to that division." She is looking forward to making a positive impact at Latitude 33, where she can bring new insights and creative options for us. "I look forward to making relationships that are mutually beneficial." Welcome Brenda!

“ LOOKING FORWARD TO RELOCATING TO SAN DIEGO TO SEE HOW GREAT THE LIFESTYLE IS HERE. I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE WHAT LATITUDE 33 ALL IS ABOUT. ”



ERIC CARLSON | PLANNER

Eric Carlson has joined Latitude 33 Planning & Engineering as our newest Planner. Eric attended the University of Tennessee for his undergrad and got his degree in 2010 in Journalism. In 2021 he graduated from the University of Arizona with my Master's of Science in Urban Planning. In his spare time he enjoys playing guitar, hiking and trail running, and working on music production. "I originally became interested in planning because of my interest in cycling. I wanted to be involved with how cities plan transportation infrastructure, handle land uses, and determine what the vision for a city should be." He is looking forward to learning about planning, and how we can help clients get their projects off the ground.

“ LOOKING FORWARD TO LEARNING FROM MY FELLOW EMPLOYEES AND HEARING MORE ABOUT THEIR APPROACH TO PLANNING AND ENGINEERING. ”



BRENDA PEREZ | SR. DESIGN ENGINEER

Brenda Perez has joined Latitude 33 Planning & Engineering as a Sr. Design Engineer. Brenda enjoys playing with her dog Max, going for jogs and building Lego sets. She feel like she walked into civil engineering semi-blindly, but glad she did! "I was told that civil engineering was like architecture but with more math. I picked civil as my choice of career and I actually ended liking my course of study." Happy to have you on the team!

“ I WANT TO LEARN AND GAIN MORE KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE AND BE ABLE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE AIRPORT TEAM. ”

The team is back together! On July 1st Latitude 33 got together at one of our amazing projects, Portside Pier, to kick off an extra long Holiday weekend with cocktails and conversations.

It has been awhile since the whole team has been together face to face and it was a great celebration of our newly promoted Associates as well as celebrating our mid-year goals!



Thank you for being a part of our planning, engineering and surveying family.

Keep an eye out for our next newsletter hitting your email **Fall 2021**.

From the entire Latitude 33 team, enjoy your Summer!



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