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### SDAG - SCGS JOINT MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT Wednesday, June 15, 2005

### *LOS ANGELES: EARTHQUAKE COUNTRY*

*presented by*

**Pat Abbott, Ph.D.**

Professor (retired), SDSU, Geological Sciences

**Where:** El Adobe Restaurant of Capistrano  
31891 Camino Capistrano  
San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675  
949-493-1163



**When:** 6:00 pm – Social Hour  
7:00 pm – Dinner  
8:00 pm – Program

**Directions:** Take I-5 north to Exit #81 toward CAMINO CAPISTRANO. Turn Left on VALLE RD. Turn Left on SAN JUAN CREEK RD. Turn Right on CAMINO CAPISTRANO. Or, take Amtrak, but with a 11:25pm departure for the return to San Diego, you might want to find a ride!

**Dinner:** The “President’s Choice Buffet” which includes: Chips & Salsa, Mixed green salad, Chile Relleno, Chicken Enchiladas, Beef Tacos, Spanish Rice, Refried Beans, Coffee & Tea.

**Cost:** \$25.00 per member/guests, \$10 per student. Add \$5.00 if you make no reservation.

**Reservations:** Make your reservation online at [www.sandiegogeologists.org](http://www.sandiegogeologists.org) or call the SDAG Reservation Hotline at (619) 255-8380, **no later than 9:00 a.m. Monday, June 13 16<sup>th</sup>**.

**RESERVATIONS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER Monday AT 9 AM.**

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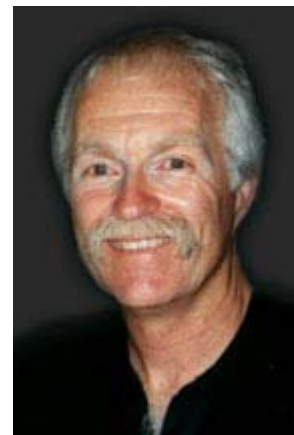
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## BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH: PAT ABBOTT

**Pat Abbott** is a native San Diegan. He earned a Ph.D. in geology from the University of Texas at Austin with a dissertation on the geologic and hydrologic history of the Edwards Limestone aquifer that supplies water to much of south-central Texas. Pat joined the faculty at San Diego State University in 1971. His research work has focused on the geologic history of the southwestern United States and northwestern Mexico. Much of the research work of Pat and his students has been published in 20 guidebook volumes including those of SDAG and SCGS. Pat began the Natural Disasters course at SDSU which is now the most popular non-required course at SDSU. He is the author of the textbook *Natural Disasters* published by McGraw-Hill now in its 5th edition. In recent years, Pat also works as a cruise-ship lecturer and field-trip leader for Norwegian, Holland America, Abercrombie & Kent, and Radisson visiting all continents of the world. Additionally, he has begun making broadcast-TV videos in a series called *Written In Stone*. The second video in the series is *Earthquake Country -- Los Angeles* which we will view and discuss at the meeting.



### SUMMARY: LOS ANGELES: EARTHQUAKE COUNTRY

The *Written In Stone* video series provides understanding of how urban landscapes formed in order to understand the active Earth processes that created them. For example, the hills and mountains of Los Angeles are the product of long-term fault movements. In our lifetime the faults move and shake us with earthquakes, over geologic time the cumulative effects of these fault movements form mountains. To tell the Los Angeles story the film utilized multiple partners to produce multiple types of imagery to show and explain the formation of Los Angeles topography, and the active faulting that creates it. Although the framework of the video focuses on showing hills and mountains form, the real story is the faults and earthquakes that built the landscape, still operate today, and will continue operating for millions of years into the future.

*WRITTEN IN STONE – A series of videos highlighting how geology is woven into our everyday lives and landscapes. The core concept of this project is to unite city dwellers with their urban landscapes in a project being called *Written In Stone*. The overwhelming majority of people live in cities and drive uphill, downslope, and along valleys with no understanding, or even recognition, of their 3-D landscape, much less how it developed over geologic time. The energy that drives Earth processes shapes the land, and thus our society. During brief bursts of energy, these same Earth processes harm and kill people. We intend to provide knowledge and insight of the physical environment to students and the public via television and the internet. “Los Angeles: Earthquake Country” is the second in a series of videos which will eventually include other areas such as Boston, Lake Tahoe, Tijuana, Austin and San Antonio.*

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

#### 2005 SDAG MEETING SCHEDULE – Mark your Calendars!

We'll fill out the schedule as we get speaker confirmations and finalize meeting places. Meetings are usually on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month but may change to accommodate speaker and meeting place schedules. Check here for updates!

July 20	TBD
August 17	TBD
September 21	<b>Wes Danskin</b> , USGS will speak about the USGS drilling program and the latest results from the San Diego area
October 22-23	Annual Field Trip – Carrizo Gorge!!! ( <i>Note: dates are tentative.</i> )
November	TBD
December 21 (?)	Annual Holiday Meeting at San Diego Natural History Museum!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONTINUED):

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### 2005 Inland Geological Society Meetings

**July 7, Thursday** - Alexander Schreiner, Jr., R.G., Senior Geologist, Earth Systems Southwest, Indio, CA:  
'Overview of Geothermal Resources around the Salton Sea, Riverside and Imperial Counties, and the  
Geology of the Obsidian Butte rhyolite flow, Salton Sea Geothermal field, California'

**August 3, Wednesday** - TBA

**September 1, Thursday** - Dr. Norman Meeks, Professor of Geography, Department of Geography, California  
State University, San Bernardino, CA: 'Developing Issues in the Inland Empire'

**October 5, Wednesday** - Jason Preece, Sr. Engineering Geologist, ENGEO Inc., San Ramon, CA, President,  
California Council of Geoscience Organizations (CCGO): 'Update on California Professional Practice  
issues and the Professional Geologist in California: Insight on the type and quantity of professional  
work Geologists do'

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South Coast Geological Society Field Trip Guidebook 2004 (Catalina Island) will be available at our next meeting for \$45. See Bill Elliott.

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\* The Seismic course we co-sponsored in April was a big success. Those who attended the course found it valuable. Attendance exceeded our expectations. We had 85 participants. With the positive response we received, we're planning to hold another course in two years.

\* We have 5 extra course books, a comprehensive 3-ring binder full of information from the instructors' course notes. If you'd like a book, they are available for \$100 each. Please let one of the officers know you would like a copy.

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### Exploration of a Major Structural Break in the Southern California Batholith of California

*Code: Batho*

**Date: June 4, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

**Instructor: Dr. Gary H. Girty**

**Meet: Sunrise Highway off ramp with I-80 just east of Pine Valley**

**Difficulty: Level 1-2**

**Fee: ABF Members \$40; Non-members \$50**

The Peninsular Ranges of southern California are underlain by a large volume of mostly granitic and metamorphic rocks. Between ~245 and ~105 million years ago a group of distinctive plutonic rocks were emplaced within the Peninsular Ranges east of Alpine, California. From about 115 - 125 million years ago many of these rocks were involved in the development of a broad zone of ductile (plastic) shear and today are mostly represented by mylonitic gneiss. This broad zone of shearing is known as the Cuyamaca Laguna Mountains shear zone or more simply as the CLMSZ.

Come join Professor Gary Girty as we explore the geology of this fascinating region. We will observe the CLMSZ that runs northwestward down the axis of the Peninsular Ranges and is well exposed about 13.6 miles east of Alpine. The rocks within the shear zone formed over a period lasting nearly 140 million years. While traveling along Sunrise Highway which cuts nearly orthogonally across the shear zone, we will view some of the oldest and most deformed rocks exposed in the Peninsular Ranges.

We will be viewing mostly road side outcrops though short hikes (up to ~quarter mile) will be made at various stops. The trip is appropriate for all ages. However, due to significant vehicular traffic parents that bring children will have to watch them closely. Each participant will be provided a detailed guidebook with colored photographs of all stops along with a copy of the CD Planet Earth written by Professor Girty. The trip is aimed at the student of geology or advance layperson with geologic interest. Limit: 25

**Make Reservations** [www.theabf.org](http://www.theabf.org) (760) 767-0446 [deborah@theabf.org](mailto:deborah@theabf.org)

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONTINUED):

FYI, a very important document on the State Water Resources Control Board/CalEPA website that addresses what is acceptable/unacceptable with regard to professional licenses:

[http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/cwphome/ustcf/docs/currentnews/ispr\\_finalmay2005ver2.pdf](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/cwphome/ustcf/docs/currentnews/ispr_finalmay2005ver2.pdf)

This is the request for volunteers for the focus group that will be evaluating the California-specific examination. [http://www.geology.ca.gov/hot\\_topics/volunteer.pdf](http://www.geology.ca.gov/hot_topics/volunteer.pdf)

Please help me in distributing these proposed regulations to the masses! The Public Hearing on them is July 15, 2005. <http://www.geology.ca.gov/legalnotices.htm>

Here is the website link to the October 22, 2004 letter from DCA's Legal Office on the issue of Slope Stability and Factors of Safety.

[http://www.geology.ca.gov/hot\\_topics/slope\\_stability.pdf](http://www.geology.ca.gov/hot_topics/slope_stability.pdf)

Here is the e-version of the Geology Board's Summer 2005 Newsletter:

[http://www.geology.ca.gov/publications/summer\\_2005.pdf](http://www.geology.ca.gov/publications/summer_2005.pdf)

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Legendary Dibblee Maps to be Released

Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History Dibblee Geology Center Presents Ten New Tom Dibblee Maps

Santa Barbara, Calif. - On May 31, 2005, the Dibblee Geology Center of the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History will release ten new maps of the bay area region around San Jose created by legendary Thomas W. Dibblee. This set of 10 maps will complete a major section of northern California mapped by Dibblee himself. The exciting process of digital map-making enables the Dibblee Geology Center to complete maps of interest in a timely manner while preserving the integrity of Dibblee's work.

Over the course of 75 years, Dibblee created maps that have been instrumental in understanding California's geology. Dibblee, who personally mapped more than a quarter of the state of California - from the Mohave Desert to the Santa Cruz Mountains - remained actively involved in the publication of each new map until his death in November, 2004. The magnitude, integrity, and permanence of Dibblee's geologic mapping are truly unprecedented and legendary which is why it is the first priority of the Dibblee Geology Center to complete the publication of Tom's maps.

Dibblee maps are renowned for their high quality and serve a diverse group of users such as engineering geologists, oil companies, U.S. Forest Service, environmentalists and students, among others. To date, the Dibblee Geology Center has released 147 maps. The newest maps of the bay area region around San Jose are 7.5-minute quadrangles of:

DF-150 Newark

DF-151 Niles

DF-152 La Costa Valley

DF-153 Milpitas

DF-154 Calaveras Reservoir

DF-155 San Jose East

DF-156 Lick Observatory

DF-157 Los Gatos

DF-158 Santa Teresa Hills

DF-159 Morgan Hill

To purchase Dibblee maps go to the Museum's online store at [www.sbnature.org/estore](http://www.sbnature.org/estore) or the Museum's Gift Shop at 2559 Puesta del Sol Road in Santa Barbara or call (805) 682-4711, ext. 122. Dibblee maps are available rolled (\$20.00 plus tax) and folded (\$15.00 plus tax) - shipping and handling are additional if ordering online or by phone. For more information contact Mary Anne Prince via email at [mprince@sbnature2.org](mailto:mprince@sbnature2.org).

About Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History

One of Santa Barbara's cultural and environmental treasures, the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History was founded in 1916. The mission of the Museum is to enlighten the public by developing and presenting fundamental knowledge through natural history research, so as to teach and inspire a lifelong passion and abiding respect for the natural world.

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**SDAG Wear:** - Monte (Murbach) has a variety of shirts, hats, visors and even a nice vest with the SDAG logo. A small selection is available for purchase at the meetings; all SDAG wear can be ordered from Monte.

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## JOB OPENINGS!

**Ninyo & Moore's** San Diego Environmental Division has immediate employment opportunities for individuals with California certifications and experience performing and overseeing asbestos and lead-based paint field projects. Appropriate certifications include Certified Asbestos Consultant, Site Surveillance Technician, and Lead Inspector/Assessor/Project Monitor. Individuals with California asbestos and lead experience and certifications is preferred. Experience with Phase I and II Environmental Site Assessments is a plus, but is not required. Please forward resumes to the attention of Ms. Margot Graves, Ninyo & Moore, 5710 Ruffin Road, San Diego, California 92123 or [mgraves@ninyoandmoore.com](mailto:mgraves@ninyoandmoore.com). Ninyo & Moore is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

**Geotechnical Exploration, Inc.**, a well-established geotechnical firm founded in 1976 and serving primarily San Diego County, is seeking an engineering geologist with 5-10 years of experience to join our staff. Should be registered or working toward registration with strong writing and communication skills. We are also seeking an experienced field technician and an experienced field/lab technician. Please send resume to 7420 Trade Street, San Diego, CA 92111 or e-mail to [pjasmund@ixpres.com](mailto:pjasmund@ixpres.com).

**Hargis + Associates, Inc.**, a San Diego based consulting firm specializing in hydrogeology and engineering, currently has opportunities in our San Diego, California office. We are presently looking to fill the following positions:

**Staff Hydrogeologist:** Candidate would have a B.S. Degree in Geology, and 3 to 5 years relevant experience, including experience with soils and groundwater sampling, well installation, work plan and report preparation, task management, cost estimating and scheduling. Candidate should possess strong organizational, writing and presentation skills. Registered Geologist (RG), or ability to obtain within two years, groundwater modeling experience, and Masters degree is a plus. Position will be based in San Diego, and will require some travel and field work. OSHA 40-hour training required.

**Engineer:** Candidates should be entry level with a B.S. Degree in Chemical, Civil, or Mechanical Engineering and EIT Certification. Masters degree is a plus. Candidate should possess strong writing and presentation skills. Position will be based in San Diego, and will require some travel and field work. OSHA 40-hour training preferred, but not mandatory.

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No phone calls please. Qualified candidates should send resumes, along with a cover letter summarizing experience and salary requirements to:

Hargis + Associates, Inc.  
Attention: Phil Rosenberg  
2365 Northside Drive, Suite C-100  
San Diego, CA 92108

**SECOR INTERNATIONAL INCORPORATED**, a global environmental engineering consulting company has an immediate need for Geologists in all of its Southern California offices located in San Diego, Redlands, Cypress, and Thousand Oaks.

Applicants should have a BS in Geology or related field – for senior level a RG is a plus. 40 Hour HAZWOPER training a plus. Candidates will be involved with petroleum clients and interface with regulatory agencies as well as report writing and maintenance of client accounts. Review SECOR and its projects: [www.secor.com](http://www.secor.com) Send resumes to: [mshuffelton@secor.com](mailto:mshuffelton@secor.com) or fax: 619-296-2006. SECOR IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER.



## JOB OPENINGS! (CONTINUED)

### **Paleontological Field Monitor Position**

The Department of Paleontology at the San Diego Natural History Museum has openings for paleontological field monitors. Both a full time position with benefits, and part time temporary positions (without benefits) are available. All work is funded through contracts. Work will include field monitoring of construction-related exposures of potentially fossiliferous sedimentary rocks (Cenozoic and upper Mesozoic marine and/or non-marine rock units) in the Southern California region. Field monitors will be expected to collect exposed fossils and record relevant stratigraphic and taphonomic data. Opportunities for fossil preparation are also possible. Depending on experience, the field monitor may also be involved in preparing final reports of findings.

*Requirements:* A minimum of a B.S. in geology or a related discipline with an emphasis in paleontology. Experience in field paleontology and stratigraphy is preferred. Minimum salary is \$15.00/hour, but could be higher depending upon the applicant's experience. For general information about our paleontology mitigation program, please visit <http://www.paleoservices.org>

*Start date:* 1 May 2005

*Please mail or email resumes to:* Thomas A. Deméré ([tdemere@sdnhm.org](mailto:tdemere@sdnhm.org); 619-255-0232), or  
Paul C. Murphey ([pmurphey@sdnhm.org](mailto:pmurphey@sdnhm.org); 619-255-0187)

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For IMMEDIATE consideration please contact Steven at [sglynn@aerotek.com](mailto:sglynn@aerotek.com)

### **Environmental Engineers and Geologists/hydrogeologists**

Aerotek Engineering and Environmental services is currently seeking **Environmental Engineers and Geologists/hydrogeologists** of all levels of experience in soil and groundwater remediation. Experience in the petrochemical field in relation to this remediation is a big plus. Qualified candidates will conduct Phase I and Phase II ESA's, NPDES permitting and sampling plans and Preliminary Endangerment Assessments.

Experience preparing geologic/geotechnical reports should be documented on resumes. Other duties include preparing and reviewing logs of borings and trenches. More qualified candidates will review reports prepared by staff geologists and engineers. Supervise field exploration programs, background reviews, in grading geological mapping. Train subordinate staff in basic geologic procedures and techniques. Prepare and present proposals, scopes of work and budgets for new projects. Successful candidates should be self motivated and friendly with a can-do attitude. Registration (RG or PE) is required for the mid to senior level positions. Southern California experience is essential and local candidates to southern California will only be considered.

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### Positions Available – Hydrogeologists and Engineering Geologists

GeoSyntec Consultants is a growth-oriented national environmental consulting firm providing innovative solutions in the fields of contamination assessment/remediation, environmental due diligence/compliance, solid waste and water resources. We are seeking top candidates for positions in our Southern California offices. Candidates must be working towards a B.S. or advanced degree in geology with an emphasis in hydrogeology, geochemistry, or engineering.

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