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## CALENDAR

(Always on-line [HERE](#))

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### [NEW EVENT!](#)

**Topgolf pre-conference networking event**  
Tuesday, Oct. 23, 6 p.m.  
Topgolf, 1700 Freedom Way, Roseville  
Flier [HERE](#). Sign-up [HERE](#).

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**[HURRY! SEATS GOING FAST!](#)**  
Fall Asphalt Pavement Conference, Oct. 24-25  
Doubletree Hotel, 2001 Point West Way, Sacramento.  
Details [HERE](#).

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## Greetings!

This weekly bulletin contains the latest news and information of interest to the asphalt pavement industry in California. Please feel free to distribute this newsletter to others who may be interested in asphalt pavements.

## → Procrastinator alert! Registration closes today for Fall Asphalt Pavement Conference this week in Sacramento

Road funding? Workforce development? Pavement smoothness? New specifications, test methods and research? Power networking? The Fall Asphalt Pavement Conference has something for everyone, but only if you attend.

Registration closes today for the conference, which will take place on Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 24-25, at the Doubletree Hotel, 2001 Point West Way in Sacramento. There's also a host of other conference-week events, such as training classes, "Women of Asphalt" leadership panel discussion and dinner, and optional "Topgolf" networking event Tuesday evening, Oct. 23 in Roseville. Click [HERE](#) for all the details. Or don't, and hear about it from everyone else.



***What you don't know can cost you! Sign up now for the Fall Asphalt Pavement Conference in Sacramento.***

## → California dominates the list of roughest roads nationwide as voters consider the fate of a major road-repair program

California once again dominates the list of U.S. communities with the most poorly-maintained roads, according to a new national transportation research report, costing the average motorist from \$700 to more than \$1,000 a year.

The study comes as voters on Nov. 6 will decide the fate of SB1, the

You at (916) 791-5044.

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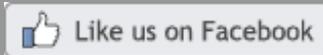
Southern California Paving Contractor Mixer  
Thursday, Nov. 15, 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.  
J.T. Schmid's Restaurant & Brewery, 2610 E. Katella Ave., Anaheim  
Flier [HERE](#). Register [HERE](#).  
Contact: Sophie You (916) 791-5044

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### SAVE THE DATE!

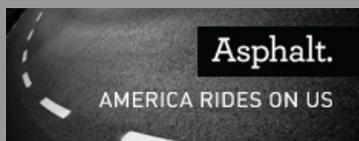
CalAPA Annual Dinner  
Thursday, Jan. 10, 2019  
Jonathan Club, 545 S. Figueroa St., Los Angeles  
Details soon!

## SOCIALIZE



## CHOOSE ASPHALT

Asphalt is used on about 93 percent of paved roads in California and across the U.S. Why? Because it's smooth, quiet, safe, durable and 100 percent recyclable. Visit the [Asphalt Pavement Alliance](#) website learn more about why asphalt is the right choice now more than ever.



Road Repair & Accountability Act of 2017, which raised fuel taxes dedicated to transportation for the first time since 1994. Thousands of road-repair projects currently underway all across California may be jeopardized depending on the outcome of Prop. 6.

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[www.rebuildingca.ca.gov](http://www.rebuildingca.ca.gov)



The closely watched "Urban Roads Report" released Oct. 17 by TRIP, a national transportation research organization, looked at road maintenance at large cities (populations over 500,000) and medium cities (populations between 200,000 and 500,000) nationwide, and ranked them according to the percentage of pavements in "poor" condition as determined by federally recognized measures of pavement condition.

"Driving on roads in disrepair increases consumer costs by increasing needed repairs, maintenance, fuel consumption and tire wear, and accelerating vehicle deterioration and depreciation," the group said in releasing the report.

Among large urban areas in the United States, the San Francisco-Oakland area, San Jose and the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim area took the top three spots for roughest pavements, the study found. Sacramento made the list at No. 12, the Riverside-San Bernardino area was just behind at No. 13 and Fresno ranked No. 16.

Among medium-sized communities, Antioch and Concord took the top two spots, followed by Oxnard at No. 4, Santa Rosa at No. 7, Stockton at No. 9 and Victorville-Hesperia at No. 10. Rounding out the Top 20 were Santa Clarita (No. 12), Thousand Oaks (No. 17) and Modesto (No. 20).



The study also looked at the average cost to motorists, which has been a hotly-contested debate during the Proposition 6 campaign. Poorly maintained pavements inflicted financial pain all across California, the study found, costing a driver in Thousand Oaks for Victorville more than \$750 per year, with the figure approaching \$1,000 per year or more in Los Angeles and the Bay Area.

To read the full TRIP report, click [HERE](#). For information about SB1, the Road Repair & Accountability Act of 2017, click [HERE](#).



## Paul Rademacher: 1931-2018

Paul Rademacher, a respected leader of the asphalt industry in California and recipient of the first "Life Member" award by the California Asphalt Pavement Association, passed away Oct. 14 in Southern California. He was 87.

Rademacher was described by colleagues as "a huge credit to our industry locally and nationally," "well-liked and respected" and "a humble and great leader."

After a long and successful career working in and around the asphalt industry, from 1988 to 1998 he was executive director for both the Asphalt Council of California and the California Asphalt Pavement Association. He earned the respect of public agencies by ensuring they

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## MAGAZINE

had access to the latest technical and practical information when making pavement design choices. He was also instrumental in helping to introduce the pavement fabric strategy known as Petromat to California.

In recent years Rademacher attended CalAPA annual dinners in Los Angeles and graciously welcomed other members to the CalAPA "Hall of Fame."

"Paul was a good friend and a significant part of our industry for many years," said Jim St. Martin, who followed Rademacher as association executive, and later into the CalAPA Hall of Fame. "He was beloved by many."



*Paul Rademacher*

Ever the gentleman, Rademacher telephoned the association offices on Oct. 2 and in a soft voice let staff know that he had received the brochure for the Fall Asphalt Pavement Conference in Sacramento but would not be able to attend. He complimented staff on the program and expressed his best wishes for a successful event.

A memorial service will be held for Rademacher on Monday, Oct. 29 at the Holy Redeemer Church, 2411 Montrose Ave. in Montrose. The rosary will take place at 9:0 a.m., followed by the memorial at 10 a.m. The phone number for the church is (818) 249-2008.

Rademacher is survived by his wife, Patty, six children and 10 grandchildren. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the Priest Retirement Fund. The website for that charity is [HERE](#).



*CalAPA "Life Members" at the 2013 association annual dinner in Los Angeles (left to right): Dan Chapman Sr., Paul Rademacher and Carlos Hernandez.*

## → Tech Term of the Week

Each week we highlight a word, acronym or other reference commonly used in the asphalt pavement industry in California.

**PERMEABILITY:** A measure of the rate or volume of flow of water



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## → Paving Pointer of the Week

Each week we highlight a key point or best practice of interest to asphalt paving crews, inspectors and others working in the field. We welcome suggestions. More tips can be found in our Asphalt Parking Lot Construction Checklist [HERE](#).

**LAYDOWN TEMPERATURE:** Paving is not advised if the air and surface temperatures are too cold. An air temperature of 40°F is a minimum before paving should be allowed to begin. If paving must go ahead despite the temperature, discuss with your contractor the possible benefits of warm-mix asphalt or other materials/technologies or techniques that may improve pavement quality when paving in colder weather.

## → Quote of the Week

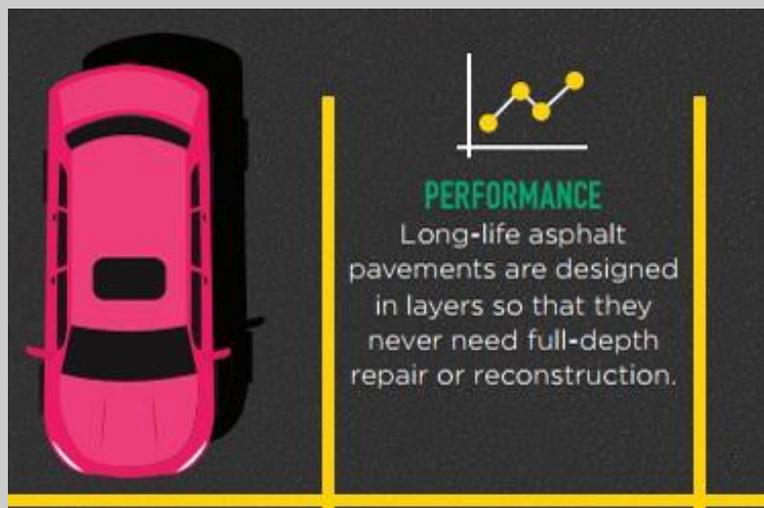
"Be so good they can't ignore you."

Steve Martin

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Sincerely,

**Russell W. Snyder, CAE**  
Executive Director  
California Asphalt Pavement Association (CalAPA)



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