



Golden Gate Chapter

News Release

Debora Allen Named 2011 Chair for The Associated Builders And Contractors Golden Gate Chapter

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Livermore, CA – Debora (Debbie) Allen, CFO of **W.E. Lyons Construction Co.**, has been named the 2011 Chair for the **Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) Golden Gate Chapter**. In her role, Allen will lead the organization and its approximately 600 member companies representing thousands of construction industry professionals. The local ABC chapter serves contractors, subcontractors, suppliers and associates in Northern California.

"Debbie is an exceptionally intelligent business leader with a true passion for the construction industry in Northern California and her role in it," said Toby Cummings, President of the ABC Golden Gate Chapter. "We are thrilled to have Debbie lead our organization in 2011 and have no doubt she will accomplish great things for ABC, our members and California's construction community."

Allen joins eight additional Directors including: Ken Kreischer (Treasurer), Western Water Constructors, Inc.; Craig Brueckner (Secretary), Brueckner Insurance & Financial Services; James Fitzgerald, Market One Builders, Inc.; John LeNeve, LeNeve Painting Company, Inc.; Steve McCutcheon, Cook Brown, LLP; Steve Jeffress, Jeffco Painting & Coating, Inc.; George Luther, Santa Maria & Company Risk Insurance; Sid Slatter, Slatter Construction, Inc.

Associated Builders and Contractors represents merit shop contractors, affiliates, and service providers that perform major commercial, industrial, and public works construction. It also operates five state-approved apprenticeship programs in the plumbing, carpentry, painting, construction craft laborer, and electrical trades.

The 2011 Board of Directors will take Oath at the Annual Board Installation and Apprentice Graduation on Friday, January 21, 2011 in Livermore. Please contact Elena Moxon at elena@abc-ggc.org or (925) 960-8515 for interview and photo opportunities available during the event.

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Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) is a national association with 75 chapters representing more than 23,000 merit shop construction and construction-related firms with nearly two million employees. Visit us at www.abcggc.org.

Merit Shop is a way of doing business in which companies reward employees based on performance and encourage them to reach their highest level of achievement, and in which contracts are awarded based on safety, quality, and value, regardless of labor affiliation.