

2009-2010 Calendar

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Trades Day

We are planning a visit by our student teams on Saturday morning **March 20, 2010** to the apprentice training facilities in Whittier and Santa Ana operated by the International Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners. Students will build simple residential frames.

Palm Desert Reception and Presentation Event

The Coachella Valley teams' celebration will be held in **April 8, 2010** at the Oliphant Auditorium on the Palm Desert campus of the California State University, San Bernardino. Teams from Riverside County will present their work and rights to scholarships will be awarded.

Los Angeles Presentation Event

This end-of-year celebration is planned for **May 15, 2010** at the theater in Belmont High School, Los Angeles. Fourteen teams from Los Angeles and Orange counties will present their work and rights to scholarships will be awarded.

All-Schools Competition

200 students, parents, teachers and mentors gathered on October 24, 2009 at the Southern California Institute of Architecture. They designed and built simple building frames using spaghetti sticks and glue guns. Base 8" x 8 ". Height 20". A 5 lb. lead weight was secured on the topmost level and each frame was tested on a shaking table, simulating earthquake loads. Cheers when opponents' frames collapsed. There was food for all.

Board of Directors

Meets second Wednesday of every other month (January, March, May, July, September, November). The meeting is a sandwich and soda working lunch hosted by a Director.

Mentor Team Leaders

There was a half-day workshop for team leaders and team coordinators on January 23, 2010 in the offices of John A Martin Associates. The next such meeting is planned for July 2010. On the agenda: Long range planning, ideas for team activities, feedback from mentors regarding improvements needed.