

BLACKLINES

A Monthly Newsletter for Members of the Treasure Coast Chapter of the Florida Engineering Society

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Noah A. Handley, P.E.

For those of you who travel my way you know State Road 70 has been under repair for some time now and will continue to be. This gives me time to ponder and reflect on my path in life or catch up on email or texting while I am sitting waiting for the Maintenance of Traffic (MOT) personnel to allow me to travel the one open lane of the two lane road. We often marvel in the efficiency we have in our lives as a result of the communication we have all grown dependent on. To that point, I have two cell phones, a tablet (no need to give some company free advertisement), a laptop, and a desktop computer. I find that all of these "efficiencies" keep me too busy to be productive, but I digress. When I am not bleeding from my finger tips and pondering my path in life, I have thought about the young adults embarking on their lives receiving scholarships, leaving for college, and spending the time waiting on the proverbial MOT Man to point them down the one lane road that will take them to the interstate or the dirt road they are striving for. I am very fortunate to have found a great dirt road that I can drive as fast as I want to on. My dirt road is surely not what many of you would strive for but that is the great thing about the profession we are in; we all have a similarity in being an engineer, but each have access to different paths that provide the challenge we need and the opportunities for success we want.

In short, the next time you are stopped by the MOT Man take the time to think about the path in life that led you to be the engineer you are and consider taking the time to participate in the Scholarship Dinner this month to share with the young adults as they begin to seek out the interstates (or the dirt roads) in their lives.

Calendar of Events for Upcoming Months



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April 24 10am to 12pm	FES Board of Directors Meeting (Conference Call)
April 26 6pm	FES Treasure Coast Chapter Meeting and Annual Scholarship Dinner Monarch Country Club, Palm City
May 7-10	IEEE/PES Transmission and Distribution Conference, Orange County Convention Center, Orlando
May 8-9	Florida Laws and Rules at IEEE/Power and Energy Society Conference, Orlando
May 8 1pm –4pm	SFWMD 2012 ePermitting Training Session, Miami Field Station
May 14 9am-12pm	SFWMD 2012 ePermitting Training Session, West Palm Beach Headquarters
May 23-24	FICE Transportation Conference Hyatt Regency Orlando A/P

April Meeting - Scholarship Dinner

6 pm - Thursday April 26th

Monarch Country Club

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April Meeting (Scholarship Dinner)

Where: Monarch Country Club

1801 SW Monarch Club Drive

Palm City, Florida

When: Thursday, April 26th

Meeting starts at 6:00 pm

Cost: \$40.00 per person

Members and Guests Welcome

RSVP: Adam Schildmeier, P.E. at

(772) 283-1413 or vicepresident@tcfes.org



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COMMITTEE CHAIRS

FES is a member driven organization. Our volunteers steer the Society in the best direction. Ideas and programs are created at the committee level and impact the organization at each level. Becoming part of a FES committee is very simple and rewarding.

We have several new volunteers, however, we still need a few more for our State Committees. For further details on a specific committee, or if you are interested in volunteering for any of these committees, please contact Noah Handley at (863) 634-6189 or Noah.Handley@LykesRanch.com.

In addition, please thank your fellow members who are volunteering their time to make a difference.

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Annual Meeting Steering – Vacant

Awards - Craig Dunkelberger, P.E.

Communications Advisory - Kelly Cranford, P.E.

Conservation & Env. Quality - Richard Creech, P.E.

Constructed Environment – Richard Creech, P.E.

Energy – Jo-Ann Clynch

Ethical Practices – Will Cornelius, P.E. & Allen Bottorff, P.E.

Golf Tournament - Pat Ferland, P.E.

K-12 Education – Adam Schildmeier, P.E.

Leadership Advisory – Steve Gaydosh Jr., P.E.

MathCOUNTS - Kathleen Edgemon, P.E.

MathCOUNTS - Chad Rucks, P.E.

Membership Development – Pat Ferland, P.E.

Philanthropy - Will Cornelius, P.E.

Professional Concerns - Steve Gaydosh, P.E.

Prof. Development - Marcos Montes De Oca, P.E.

Project LTW Co-Chair – Adam Schildmeier, P.E.

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Project LTW Co-Chair – John Adair, E.I.

Scholarship - Paul Bangs, P.E.

Student Prof. Development - Sean Donahue, P.E.

Webmaster - Adam Schildmeier, P.E.

CHAPTER LIAISON REPRESENTATIVES

Prof. Eng. in Government - Kelly Cranford, P.E. Engineers in Construction - Paul Bangs, P.E. Engineers in Education - Allen Bottorff, P.E. Engineers in Industry - Marcos Montes De Oca, P.E. Engineers Retired - Vacant

2012 Engineers Week Banquet



2012 Young Engineer of the Year

Jennifer Gent, P.E.

(Award presented by Javier Cisneros, P.E.)



2012 Engineer of the Year

Chad Rucks, P.E.

(Award presented by Paul Bangs, P.E. and Marcos Montes De Oca, P.E.)

Engineering is a great profession. There is the satisfaction of watching a figment of the imagination emerge through the aid of science to a plan on paper. Then it moves to realization in stone or metal or energy. Then it brings homes to men or women. Then it elevates the standard of living and adds to the comforts of life. This is the engineer's high privilege. Herbert Hoover (1874-1964)

Other Upcoming Meetings and Events

Date	Meeting
April 26-28	FELI Class of 2012, Session IV Hyatt Regency Jacksonville Riverfront
April 30	FICE - Application Deadline for Professional Development Award, AW Gilchrist Award and Community Service Award

Congratulate a Recent PE or EI!

Recognize the recently licensed PE or EI in your office by inviting them to become active in the Society that supports their profession. Applications are available on-line at www.fleng.org.

FES Membership Renewal Deadline was March 31st.

All unpaid FES memberships were discontinued on March 31, 2012. At FES we value your membership and understand that this is no time to be without your professional association, so please contact FES Head-quarters at 850-224-7121 to renew your membership if you have not already done so.



Please visit our website!

http://www.tcfes.org

Send your comments and suggestions about our website to vicepresident@tcfes.org

Questions or Comments?

If you have any questions/comments, or if you would like something included in the monthly publication, please contact Dan Zrallack, P.E. at <u>DZrallack@Ardaman.com</u> or by telephone at (772) 878-0072.

For FES JOB LISTINGS, please visit http://www.fleng.org/classifieds.cfm

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