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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Adam Schildmeier, P.E.

Spring Break! Two words that conjure up for many of us fuzzy memories of days gone by. Nowadays we've got to figure out how to keep the kids busy. Vacation? Ship 'em off to the grandparents? Sign 'em up for camp? It's just another blank on my kids' daycare calendar that I have to figure something out for. Didn't this time of year used to be fun? I guess its penance for all the self-indulgence we experienced growing up.

This month we'll be taking a break from the formal events with a casual Spring Training game at the end of the month. I hope to see you all there to get our minds off all the other obligations this month brings. On top of the kid's break, there's the State MathCounts competition, March Madness, Spring Training, St Patty's Day, and Easter too. Don't forget we also lose an hour on March 10th. Looks like we'll have to wait a little longer to catch up on sleep.

Thank you to all the attendees of our 25th Annual E-Week Banquet! We had a great turnout and I've gotten a lot of very positive feedback on everything. It was great to hear some of the things NASA is doing after the retirement of the shuttle program. I felt like a kid again by getting drawn in with a fascination of space, the innovation behind rockets, and the possibility of putting people on Mars. I had never thought about some of the challenges Ms. Nicklos had mentioned Mars presents. I've been wary of visiting Alaska with its extended day or night seasons let alone a planet who's whole day lasts only an hour and a half. Honeymoon in 2018 anyone?

Additionally, I wanted to extend another well-deserved congratulations to this year's Engineer of the Year, Steve Doyle, PE and this year's Young Engineer of the Year, Heath Stocton, PE. Their contributions to the community and our chapter, both professionally and personally, are greatly appreciated. They continue to give our profession and our chapter a good name!

See you at the ballgame!

Calendar of Events for Upcoming Months



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| March 15 | Florida MATHCOUNTS |
| March 27 | Mets vs. Astros 6:10pm @ Tradition Field GA / Berm Tickets = \$8 Please purchase your tickets in advance through the Mets Box Office or online |
| April 16 | FICE Transportation Meeting |

FES/FICE 97th Annual Summer Conference & Exposition

FES/FICE 97th Annual Summer Conference & Expo
July 31 - August 3, 2013
The Breakers, Palm Beach

Engineering Our Own Path: From Abacus to Apps

A spectacular resort destination on Florida's Atlantic coast, The Breakers Palm Beach is set amidst 140 acres of breathtaking oceanfront property. The Breakers Palm Beach upholds its legendary heritage of timeless luxury and uncompromising personal service. So mark your calendar for July 31 – August 3, 2013 and prepare for an enjoyable experience.

Make Your Hotel Reservations Today

The Florida Engineering Society has secured a limited block of rooms at a discounted group rate of \$175 for a deluxe king room and \$195 for a premium room. There is no resort fee and parking is valet only at a discounted rate of \$15.00 per day/overnight parking. Please note that the deadline to make your hotel reservations and receive the discounted group rate is Tuesday, July 9th; however, rooms may sell out prior to this deadline. Ensure you have a room by contacting The Breakers, Palm Beach today.

To make your reservations call toll free at 888/273-2537 and reference Florida Engineering Society or online by clicking [here](#).

*Please note that if you require double beds, premium rooms are required. A very limited number of premium rooms are offered at the \$195 rate and will be taken on a first come, first served basis.



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 Adam Shildmeier at (772) 283-1413 or President@tcfes.org.

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

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Annual Meeting Steering – **Vacant**
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Constructed Environment – Richard Creech, P.E.
Energy – Jo-Ann Clynch
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K-12 Education – Adam Schildmeier, P.E.
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MathCOUNTS – Chad Rucks, P.E.
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Engineers in Construction - Paul Bangs, P.E.
Engineers in Education - **Vacant**
Engineers in Industry - Marcos Montes De Oca, P.E.
Engineers Retired - **Vacant**

CONGRATULATIONS!

Stephen Doyle, P.E.
2013 Engineer of the Year
&
Heath Stockton, P.E.
2013 Young Engineer of the Year



CELEBRATE AWESOME | Engineers Week 2013
February 17-23, 2013

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Special Thanks to our Guest Speaker Ann Nicklos,
Mission Assurance Engineer from the Kennedy Space Center

Society News | Florida MATHCOUNTS



Florida MATHCOUNTS State Competition
March 15, 2013

Doubletree by Hilton at the Entrance to Universal Orlando

Chapter Competition Dates and Locations are now available online. Please click here.

<http://www.fleng.org/calendar.cfm?cyear=2013&cmonth=2>

Society News | Awards and Deadlines

2013 FES Practice Section Awards ...

Applications are available at fleng.org under each respective Practice Section.

Florida Professional Engineers in Industry (FPEI)

FPEI Engineer of the Year

Submission Deadline is March 29, 2013 to FES Headquarters

<http://www.fleng.org/FPEI/FPEIawards.cfm>

FPEG Government Engineer of the Year

Submission deadline is April 19, 2013 to FES Headquarters

FPEG Professional Development Award

Submission deadline is April 19, 2013 to FES Headquarters

Florida Engineers in Construction (FECON)

FECON Professional Development Award

Submission Deadline is April 19, 2013 to FES Headquarters

Continuing Education | Seminars, Conferences an Distance Learning

Upcoming Seminars and Conferences

March 18-20 – 2013 Power Up Energy Expo

Ft. Walton Beach

FES/FICE Members receive a 25% discount on registration.

For more information and to register, click [here](#).

April 4 – 2013 GMEC Conference Orlando

For more information and to register, click [here](#).

May 22-23 – 2013 FICE Transportation Conference

For more information and to register, click [here](#).

Upcoming Webinars

March 12, 2013 – FICE Business of Consulting Engineering Webinar Series: Corporate Organization and Governance/Succession Planning

For more information and to register, click [here](#).

Other Upcoming Meetings and Events

| Date | Meeting |
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| March 1 | Northeast FI Chapter MATHCOUNTS Competition, University of N FI Arena |
| March 5 | Florida Legislature Regular Session Convenes |
| March 15 | Florida MATHCOUNTS State Competition (Orlando) |
| April 4 | Geotechnical and Materials Engineers Council - 2013 Conference |
| April 11-13 | FELI Class of 2013, Session IV, Hyatt Regency Jacksonville |
| April 16 | FICE Transportation Meeting - Ft. Lauderdale |
| April 23 | ACEC Engineering Excellence Awards Presentation in Washington, DC |

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.

Chapter Meetings



Please visit our website!

<http://www.tcfes.org>

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

Questions or Comments?

If you have any questions/comments, or if you would like something included in the monthly publication, please contact Etienne Bourgeois, P.E. at secretary@tcfes.org or by telephone at (772) 692-4344.

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