A Word from the FES Treasure Coast President...

Again?

If you’re wondering if you’ve had this morning’s conversation before or if you had that feeling of déjà vu don’t worry. Achieving excellence at the University of Florida is commonplace and the recurring National Championships did happen. Ok, I promise not to bring this up in any more president’s messages; I am definitely not trying to push the Gator Nation on anyone. I am just proud to be from an institution that produces not only great engineers and professionals, but also athletes.

Speaking of excellence I would like to take this time to congratulate Will Cornelius and Joe Capra on their respective awards. Will Cornelius was the recipient of this year’s FES Treasure Coast Chapter Young Engineer Award. Joe Capra was the proud recipient of the Engineer of the Year, typically referred to as the “Old Engineer Award” for our chapter. These are true leaders in our chapter and we are fortunate to be working with them. Thank you both for your service, not only to our society but our community.

E-Week Project — This year we have a project that requires the assistance of all of our members. If you missed the banquet, let me explain our project. John Hall’s (FES State Past President) K-8 Initiative is to have engineers present to elementary and middle school students. For our chapter, to parallel this idea, we are going to do presentations and speaking engagements with every middle school in our chapter. The goals of this project are to teach young “would-be engineers” the importance of engineering, to promote engineering, and to open their minds to becoming engineers. With the school year winding down and only a couple of schools touched by this project, it will be a busy upcoming fall semester for us, and the Gators.

I look forward to working with each of you on this upcoming project and feel that this will not only promote the profession, but give today’s youth a better understanding about the world in which they live.

Thank you all for taking the time to read this message and I look forward to you attending our next meeting, to be held on April 19, 2007. The meeting will be held at Manero’s, located at 2851 Southwest High Meadows Avenue in Palm City.

Marcos Montes De Oca, P.E.
FES Treasure Coast Chapter President
“Unofficial 25th member of the UF Gator National Championship Basketball Team”

P.S. I still have 4 years of NCAA eligibility. It could happen, right?
April Meeting at a Glance…

Who: To be determined...
What: Treasure Coast Chapter’s Scholarship Awards
Where: Manero’s Restaurant
     2851 SW High Meadows Avenue, Palm City, FL
When: April 19, 2007, 6:00 pm Cocktail Hour, 7:00 pm Dinner
Cost: $40/person
RSVP: Heidi Henderson by April 17th at HHenderson@Creechinc.com or by calling (772) 283-1413.

FES E-mail Addresses
Has your company or agency recently increased their e-mail spam filter? If yes, then you could be missing out on information from the Florida Engineering Society (FES). Be sure to add these FES e-mail address to your safe list.

• enginews@fleng.org – Add to receive the FES EngiNews, a bi-weekly electronic newsletter to keep you abreast of the latest society news, chapter tools, and industry information.
• fes@fleng.org – Add to receive information about upcoming events.
• seminars@fleng.org – Add to receive the latest listing of continuing education programs and confirmation when registering for continuing education courses.
• fice@fleng.org – Add to receive the FICE Update, a monthly publication for FICE member firms.

Questions? Contact FES at 850-224-7121.

FES Membership… Pass It Along
FES has welcomed over 350 new members since August 1, 2006. Thank you for taking the time to pass the value of membership along to a colleague, friend, and business associates. The strength of membership begins at the chapter level.

Here are a couple of ways you can continue to pass the value of membership along:
• Invite a colleague to a chapter luncheon,
• Forward the latest edition of this chapter newsletter or EngiNews,
• Mentor a newly licensed Engineer Intern or Professional Engineer, and

Learn about the leadership roles at the chapter and state level by attending the FES Leadership Conference.

Membership information, applications, and tools are available at www.fleng.org or by contacting the FES Member Services Department 850-224-7121.
TREASURE COAST CHAPTER FLORIDA ENGINEERING SOCIETY

21st Annual Golf Tournament
SATURDAY, JUNE 16TH, 2007
4 - Player Scramble

to Benefit:
MATHCOUNTS
RAY WHITE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND
PROJECT LEAD-THE-WAY

When: Saturday, June 16, 2007
8:00 am Shotgun Start
(7:00 am Registration)

Where: Eagle Marsh Golf Club
Jensen Beach, FL

Cost: $85 per person (includes banquet)
$20 to attend banquet only

Prizes: 1st, 2nd, 3rd Place Low Net
1st Place Low Gross
Longest Drive
Closest to Pin

Raffle: Fabulous Prizes including foursomes at various local golf courses

As always, refreshments on the course are free!!

For more information, contact Pat Ferland at 772.878-1700 or pferland@arcadis-us.com
Deadline for entries and banquet reservations: June 13, 2007
In 2006, Florida Engineering Foundation increased its sponsorship amount significantly to reach an all-time high of $6,000. The Florida Engineering Foundation’s sponsorship includes funds to support training retreats for the winning Florida team to prepare for the national competition. In addition to this sponsorship, FEF has increased their monetary contribution to the Coach of the Year award recipient to $500 and will now be awarding the coach of Florida’s top team a cash award of $500. The sponsorship and additional contributions coincide with the Foundation’s Mission Statement “To promote and enhance engineering education in Florida in order to position our state as a technological leader in the global economy.”

The Florida Engineering Society is also pleased to announce that Shell Oil Company has renewed their Geometry level sponsorships of the Florida MATHCOUNTS Competition! Shell’s $5,000 contribution to Florida’s competition, as well as to four other state MATHCOUNTS competitions and the national competition, truly emphasizes the company’s investment in today’s youth and in the future of engineering.

“Shell is pleased to support MATHCOUNTS. This program fits perfectly with Shell’s strategy to support promising students as they pursue innovative projects with an underlying emphasis on math and science. Math and science skills are extremely important to many occupations at Shell. As the number of engineering and geosciences graduates diminishes, it becomes even more important to encourage students’ to begin building their math and science skills at an early age”, said John Hofmeister, President, Shell Oil Company.

In addition, Lockheed Martin and PBS&J have each renewed their Algebra level sponsorships of Florida’s MATHCOUNTS Competition, emphasizing their company’s primary philanthropic mission to strengthen student ability and advance K-16 education, especially in math and science.

Lastly, FES thanks those companies who offer their support year after year. It is their dedication and generous contributions that enable us to administer such a program. Thank you to all of our 2007 sponsors:

**Florida Engineering Foundation ($6,000)**
- Geometry ($5,000)
- Shell Oil Company
- Algebra ($2,500)
  - PBS&J
  - Lockheed Martin
- Arithmetic ($1,000)
  - Collinsworth-Alter and A/E ProNet
  - Miller Legg
  - Figg Engineering Group
  - Publix Super Markets Charities
  - WilsonMiller

**Gulf Power Foundation, Inc. ($500.00)**
- Contributing Sponsors
  - Peoples First Community Bank
  - Orlando Magic

Florida MATHCOUNTS, a math competition for middle school students around the state, is the most productive and member-involved program that the Florida Engineering Society promotes. Twenty local chapters have competitions, with their winners going to Orlando for a statewide competition in March, which is conducted on the home court of the Orlando Magic at the Amway Arena. These Mathletes® receive star treatment and an introduction into engineering as a profession.

The Florida MATHCOUNTS Competition is set for March 29-30, 2007 at the Sheraton Downtown Hotel and the Amway Arena in Orlando. The competition will conclude with the traditional outing to Friday night’s home game of the Orlando Magic vs. Indiana Pacers.

For more information on MATHCOUNTS, please call Dee Kring, CMP, Director of Member Events, at 850-224-7121.
Keynoter Shares Treasure of Leadership at FES/FICE 91st Annual Summer Conference & Exposition

The Annual Conference Steering Committee, chaired by Pete Sheridan, PE, and Keith Jackson, PE, are pleased to announce the selection of a keynote speaker for the upcoming FES/FICE 91st Annual Summer Conference & Exposition. Themed “Discover the Treasure of Leadership” the conference will feature Captain Larry Brudnicki, the real-life Captain of the Coast Guard ship that performed two dramatic rescues during The Perfect Storm. Captain Brudnicki says that his experience with these rescues amount to only 100 hours of a 30-year career of assessing risks, making decisions and inspiring teamwork. Brudnicki is obviously a true leader and will share his “treasure of leadership” insight during the keynote presentation.

For centuries, sailors have ventured out to sea and lived through storms, and they will continue to do so for centuries to come. But, once every 100 years a storm comes along that is so big and so destructive compared to the rest that it is called the "Storm of the Century". Storms such as this present a crisis for some and an opportunity for others. But for all who experience it, it is something they will remember for a lifetime.

In late October of 1991 three separate storm systems collided off the coast of New England. A tropical storm named Grace developed from a low near Bermuda and started moving north. Simultaneously, a cold front associated with a high-pressure system was being propelled southeast from Canada by the Jet Stream. And a low-pressure system stalled near Sable Island, Nova Scotia in the direct path of the Canadian High and the Bermuda Low. The resulting combination formed a well-defined "eye" off the coast of New England, spanned 1500 miles, and moved in retrograde motion from the east to the west.

Even though it eventually qualified in all respects as a hurricane, the National Hurricane Center did not name it because it developed considerably north of the Caribbean’s Hurricane Alley and its origin was remarkably unusual. So some people called it "The No Name Storm" and others referred to it as "The Halloween Storm". Because this storm was so big, so ferocious and so destructive that it could not have been any worse, one meteorologist described it as "The Perfect Storm" when Sebastian Junger was conducting research for his book.

Against the backdrop of his experience in "The Perfect Storm," Captain Brudnicki’s presentation provides the perfect balance between inspiration and application. He will share the steps in action along with examples of the courage, leadership and teamwork that are necessary to triumph in our uncertain business climate. Through practical lessons learned from his experiences, Captain Brudnicki will share powerful tools to make the correct decisions even in the most difficult of circumstances.

Mark your calendar now to be at the Marriott Marco Island Resort, August 2-4, 2007 to take part in this exciting annual event! In fact, be among the first to reserve your room at the Marco Island Marriott by calling reservations toll free at 800/438-4373. Please reference Florida Engineering Society to receive the discounted group rate of $129 single or double occupancy. There is no resort fee and self parking is complimentary. Please note that the deadline to make your reservations and receive the discounted group rate is Tuesday, July 3rd; however, rooms may sell out prior to this deadline. Ensure you have a room by call the Marriott Marco Island today.

The Annual Conference Steering Committee is diligently working to prepare an agenda for you. Watch your mail, visit www.fleng.org or contact Dee Kring, CMP, FES Director of Member Events, at 850/224-7121 for more details.
TREASURE COAST CHAPTER
COMMITTEE OPPORTUNITIES

We still need volunteers for many State Committees. Below is a list of the committees that are available. For details on a specific committee and an explanation of responsibilities, please see the FES website (http://www.fleng.org/aboutfes.cfm). If you are interested in volunteering for any of these committees, please contact Marcos Montes De Oca at 863-763-8999 or marcos-ml@lbfh.com.

Energy Committee
Study and make recommendations to the Commission on Legislative and Government Relations of the Florida Engineering Society with respect to energy matters affecting the public and the profession. Prepare studies and make recommendations to the Commission on energy policies or positions that would be appropriate for the Society to adopt and promote.

Communications Advisory Committee
The objectives of this committee shall be to focus on opportunities for FES to improve its internal and external public relations efforts through effective use of communications.

Charter and Bylaws Committee
Maintain a continuing study of the Society’s Charter and Bylaws and make recommendations to the Board for revisions. Review proposed amendments to the Charter and Bylaws and make recommendations to the Board on the manner in which they shall be incorporated in the wording of the Charter and Bylaws.

Commission on Legislative & Government
The purpose of the commission is to provide the Florida Engineering Society with maximum participation in and proper coordination of its legislative and government relations program.

April 13:
FICE Professional Development Award Nomination Deadline
FPEG Professional Development Award Nomination Deadline
FPEG Government Engineer of the Year Nomination Deadline
FECON Professional Development Award Nomination Deadline

April 19:
FES-TC Monthly Chapter Meeting
Manero’s, Palm City, FL

April 26-27:
2007 GMEC Conference
Hotel Royal Plaza, Orlando, FL

May 6-9:
ACEC 2007 Annual Convention & Legislative Summit

May 7-10:
FICE/FDOT Roadway Design Training Expo
Doubletree Hotel at the Entrance to Universal, Orlando, FL

May 16:
FICE/FDOT Roadway Advanced Project Traffic Forecasting
Embassy Suites Orlando North, Orlando, FL

May 23-24:
2007 FICE/FDOT Consultants’ Conference
Airport Hyatt, Orlando, FL

May 31-June 1:
FES/FDEP Water Facilities SRF Workshop
Hilton Walt Disney World, Orlando, FL

June 16:
2007 Annual FES-TC Golf Tournament
Eagle Marsh Golf Club, Jensen Beach, FL
FICE/FDOT ADVANCED PROJECT  
TRAFFIC FORECASTING COURSE  
8 PDHs

Who Should Attend? - Engineers, Planners, and Designers responsible for traffic forecasts used in the design of projects on FDOT highways.

Course Information - This is a one-day course that teaches the techniques for developing project traffic forecasts. Participants will be instructed in the use of the Trends, 18K ESAL, and Turning Movement tools, and will work sample problems of each. The participants will learn how to import traffic data directly from the Florida Traffic Information DVD into these tools. Instructors will provide guidance on the proper selection of design criteria inputs to the forecasting tools, and will demonstrate their use in actual case examples.

The course also demonstrates the new Project Traffic Forecasting database that will be accessible through a website. Summary forecast data will be stored in a database, and PDF copies of the full reports will be stored online. This information will be available online as a reference for the engineers and planners developing project traffic forecasts on the same or similar highways.

Requirements - A prerequisite for this course is a completion certificate for the Basic Project Traffic Forecasting Course, which is available by clicking on the link below. Each participant needs to bring a laptop computer with a DVD drive and Windows 2003 or later OS.

Registration Fee
$375 FES/FICE Members and FDOT Employees
$475 Non-member

Questions - Please call FICE Headquarters at 850-224-7121 or e-mail seminars@fleng.org
Registration Now Open for FES/FDEP State Revolving Fund Workshop May 31-June 1

The Florida Engineering Society with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection is hosting the Water Facility State Revolving Fund (SRF) Workshop, May 31-June 1 at the Hilton Walt Disney World Resort in Orlando. Seats sell out fast, make your reservations today!

To download a complete brochure with agenda and to register online, please visit [http://www.fleng.org/seminars.cfm?event_id=286](http://www.fleng.org/seminars.cfm?event_id=286).

If you have any questions about this year's event, please contact Dee Kring, CMP, Director of Member Events, at 850-224-7121 or dkring@fleng.org.

2007 FICE/FDOT Roadway Design Expo Date Announced

MARK YOU CALENDAR-The premier training for Roadway Design is coming to Orlando, May 7-10, 2007. The 2007 training expo will refresh your basic skills as well as develop new skills related to roadway design.

Each year, this popular training expo offers many courses for engineers (drainage, roadway, maintenance, design, etc) designers, technicians, and project managers responsible for the development, design and permitting of roadway design for FDOT projects.

Potential course offerings are:

- NHI-Geosynthetics
- NHI-Urban Drainage Design
- Elder Road User Program
- Highway Capacity Analysis
- Flexible Pavement Design
- Signal Capacity Analysis
- Storm Drain Design
- Pond Design

Please keep your eyes open for more information and mark the date on your calendar.

FICE welcomes your feedback and suggestions on upcoming course offerings at the 2007 Expo, please e-mail Julie Draper at [Julie@fleng.org](mailto:Julie@fleng.org) with this information.
2007 FICE/FDOT Consultants’ Conference

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• BS or Master's degree in engineering from an A.B.E.T accredited college or university.
• Professional Engineering License required (preferably registered in Florida).
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Human Resource
City of Fort Pierce
P.O. Box 1480
772-221-2363
Classifieds

Did you know that the Treasure Coast Chapter will publish POSITIONS WANTED and HELP WANTED notices for its members at no cost?! Please email your advertisements to Jon Murray, E.I. at Jon-M@LBFH.com

Quote of the Month

“A good scientist is a person with original ideas. A good engineer is a person who makes a design that works with as few original ideas as possible.”

Freeman Dyson
American Physicist and Mathematician

Questions or Comments?

If you have any questions/comments, or if you would like something included in the monthly publication, please feel free to contact Jon Murray, E.I. at Jon-M@LBFH.com or by telephone at (772) 286-3883.

For Members Only - If you would like a link to your company's web page added to our web site, please e-mail Jon Murray, E.I. at Jon-M@LBFH.com or call (772) 286-3883.

Membership News

Are you getting back for giving back to FES?

This year reward yourself with FREE incentive prizes from FES. Each time you give back to FES through a new member sponsorship, you will receive a prize. Prizes vary from FES Bucks (to use like cash at FES events), to free membership dues at the state and national level, to a top prize of a two night stay at the Marco Island Marriott. A complete list of membership incentive prizes is available at www.fleng.org along with the FES membership application. For additional information about sponsoring new members, contact Kate Robinson Ray, Director of Membership Recruitment at 850-224-7121 or KRay@fleng.org.

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