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**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE** *Will B. Cornelius II, E.I.* 

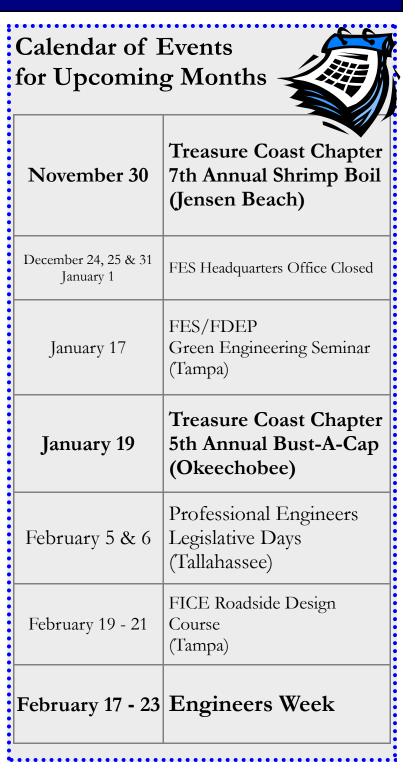
As another year draws to a close, we can all agree that 2007 has definitely been full of surprises. I remember talking with our fellow FES Treasure Coast Chapter member, Steve Marquart, P.E., before our August Chapter meeting, where he predicted one of this year's surprises by showing me an orange and blue picture of the word "HE15MAN" on his Blackberry. Of course, this was in reference to the Florida Gator superstar quarterback, Tim Tebow, and his potential to win the Heisman Trophy this year. And as we all know, Steve was dead-on.

Just like young Mr. Tebow, I feel that our chapter has been able to "grab the bull by the horns" in order to achieve yet another successful year. This year we have continued to actively promote our profession to the next generation through our MathCOUNTS, Project Lead the Way, Scholarships and K-12 programs. Without a doubt, our chapter committee chairs and volunteers are the foundation of these successful programs. So please, next time you see one of our many volunteers who take time out of their busy schedule to ensure the success of our chapter programs, give them a Hi-Five and a pat on the back for a job well done.

I look forward to seeing you all this January at our 5th Annual Treasure Coast Chapter Bust-A-Cap fundraiser for our MathCOUNTS and Treasure Coast Chapter Scholarship programs.

Happy Holidays!!

Due to the upcoming holidays, the next chapter event will be the 5th Annual Treasure Coast Chapter Bust-A-Cap on January 19th.



## COMMITTEE CHAIRS

## January Meeting at a Glance...

What: 5th Annual Bust-A-Cap

*Where*: Syfrett Ranch Camphouse SW 196th Terrace, Okeechobee

- *When*: Saturday, January 19th 10:00 am to **???**
- *Cost:* \$25.00 per person
- *RSVP:* Marcos Montes De Oca at (863) 763-8999 or <u>Marcos-M@BoyleEngineering.com</u>
- **Bring:** Folding Chair, shells, shotguns only and an appetite. A Safety Presentation and shotguns will be available.

### \*\* Note: The venue change.

The Camphouse does have indoor bathrooms and an eating facility if you want to just relax with an afternoon in cattle country and wide open spaces.

Thanks go to Chuck Syfrett and Family for their continued willingness to host this fundraiser.

All activities and participation are done at your own risk.



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 since last month, 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 Will Cornelius at (772) 878-0072 or WCornelius@Ardaman.com.

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

### COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

- Annual Meeting Steering Jen Porter, P.E.
- Awards VACANT
- Charter & Bylaws Adam Schildmeier, E.I.
- Communications Advisory VACANT
- Conservation & Env. Quality Richard Creech, P.E.
- Constructed Environment Allen Bottorff, P.E.
- Energy VACANT
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- Golf Tournament Pat Ferland, P.E
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- Leadership Advisory VACANT
- MathCOUNTS Kelly Cranford, P.E.
- MathCOUNTS Chad Rucks, P.E.
- Membership Development John Donahue, P.E.
- Professional Concerns Allen Bottorff, P.E.
- Professional Development VACANT
- Rivers Coalition David Andre, P.E.
- Scholarship Co-Chair- Will Cornelius, E.I.
- Scholarship Co-Chair Paul Bangs, P.E.
- Student Prof. Development Sean Donahue, P.E.

### CHAPTER LIAISON REPRESENTATIVES

• Professional Engineers in Government -

Kelly Cranford, P.E.

- Engineers in Construction Paul Bangs, P.E.
- Engineers in Education Jen Porter, P.E.
- Professional Engineers in Industry VACANT
- Professional Engineers Retired VACANT

### K-12 Committee Update — Jennifer E.C. Porter, P.E.

To begin, the mission of the committee is to take a leading role in assisting the State of Florida to become a model for excellence in K-12 Engineering Awareness and Education by:

- 1. Exposing all students to engineering achievements and the importance of engineering innovation to our everyday lives,
- 2. Providing opportunities for all students to participate in hands-on programs that involve engineering problem solving techniques,
- 3. Providing opportunities for increasing involvement in activities and programs that provide a deeper understanding of the engineering profession and that provide a foundation for college level engineering education for those students who have the ability and the inclination.

The first thing that the committee did was to send out a questionnaire to collect information on people that wanted to present engineering information to students. We have compiled a list of interested engineers, and have begun matching speakers with teachers. FES is working on rolling out a website that will have a ton of resources for teachers. Most importantly, there will be a way for teachers to access a speaker database or to request speakers from the office. We have also sent various engineering magazines to guidance counselors, and asked for their input on the publications as well as their help in getting engineers into the schools.

On the Treasure Coast, I'm working hard to get the word out there and to get engineers in front of students. So far, what I've done as a first step is to contact the appropriate people in the school boards of Martin, St. Lucie, Okeechobee, and Highlands County to determine whether there are teachers out there that would like to have speakers in their classrooms. Last semester and this, I have matched teachers with speakers in elementary, middle, and high schools. All of the teachers have been extremely impressed and appreciative, and I think the engineers all had a good time, as well.

I provide all of the presentation and demonstration materials, and I do all of the coordination with the teachers and schools. The speaker just needs to show up and speak!

I'd like to thank a few people who have taken time out of their schedules to interact with students, or who have volunteered to do so in the future:

John DonahueJudy DyeNoah HandleySarah HenkeJim LynchJason MatsonJon MurrayJudy PerkinsChad RucksAdam SchildmeierHeath Stocton

## **MathCOUNTS Silent Auction**

To make MathCOUNTS a special event for the youth in our area, Kelly Cranford, PE and Chad Rucks, PE (Treasure Coast Chapter Co-Chairs) are asking for items to be donated for a

silent auction to be held in the near future. If you have anything you would like to put up for auction (football tickets, fishing trips, artwork, etc.) please contact Chad or Kelly. These items will only be sold to FES members and all proceeds will go to supporting our local Mathletes. Please help this worthy cause that promotes the engineering profession to our community!!

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#### JEN PORTER. P.E.-TREASURE COAST CHAPTER MEMBER **CYCLING 100 MILES FOR A CURE FOR LEUKEMIA**



Stuart, Florida October **2007** (5) More than 🕒 785.000 Americans have leukemia, Hodgkin or non-Hodgkin lymphoma, or myeloma. Every five minutes, A

someone new is diagnosed with blood cancer.  $\tilde{c}$ Every 10 minutes, someone dies. Stuart resident Jennifer Porter is working hard to change those statistics. Ms. Porter is currently training to ride  $a \oplus \emptyset$ 100-mile bike ride to raise money and awareness (): for the programs of the Leukemia and Lymphoma  $\bigcirc c$ Society.

Ms. Porter is a member of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's Team in Training Program, the C.C. world's largest endurance training program. As a  $\bigcirc$ member of the TNT cycling team, Ms. Porter will () train with a cycling coach for 4 months in order to  $\bigcirc$ complete a 100-mile (century) bike ride in Tucson, Arizona, in November. Ms. Porter has committed to raising at least \$4,100 in order to support the programs of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society and  $\bigcirc$ patients with blood-related cancers. In support of ():( this fundraising goal, Ms. Porter has created a cook-  $\bigcirc c$ book, filled with recipes from the people of South  $\tilde{c}_{1}$ Florida. All proceeds from the sale of that cookbook will benefit the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society is the A world's largest voluntary health organization dedicated to funding blood cancer research, education,  $\bigcirc$ and patient services. The Society's mission: Cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma, and improve the quality of life of patients and  $\bigcirc$ their families.

Contact: Jennifer Porter, P.E. Phone: 772-323-3136 Email: djexplor@comcast.net

### Start the New Year by Sponsoring a New Member...

This is a great time to start your new resolution and become more active in FES. Ask a friend or colleague to join you at a chapter meeting or other FES event. Share your experiences with co-workers and friends about the advantages your FES membership has given you. If you'd like to share your experiences in a brief testimonial, please send it to awilson@fleng.org. Testimonials will be used in various publications. Everybody wins when you help spread the word!

Remember that Membership dues are reduced 25% this month (rates are based on October 1 -September 30 membership year).

Membership applications, tools, and additional information is available at www.fleng.org/membertools.cfm or contact the Member Services Department at 850-224-7121.



**Changes to Martin** County **Design Standards** 

The Martin County Board of County Commissioners has approved the latest edition of the Martin County Utilities/Solid Waste Minimum Design & Construction Standards effective 9/18/07. This latest edition was revised in July 2007. Hard copies are available for purchase at the utilities office, CD's are available on request or you can access the entire document including AutoCAD detail drawings on our web page at the following link:

http://ap3server.martin.fl.us:7778/portal/page? pageid=351.530091& dad=portal& schema=PORTAL



## **Professional Development Hour (PDH)**

| Date             | Event                                      | Location    | PDHs | Cost  |
|------------------|--|-------------|------|---|
| January 17       | FES/FDEP Green Engineering<br>Seminar      | Tampa       | 6    | \$249 FES/FICE Members  |
|                  |  |             |      | \$349 non-members   |
|                  |  |             |      | After January 2 - \$50 late fee applies                                     |
| February 5 -6    | Professional Engineers<br>Legislative Days | Tallahassee | _    | \$100 FES/FICE Members  |
|                  |  |             |      | \$150 non-members   |
|                  |  |             |      | After January 22, registrations will be accepted on a space-available basis |
| February 19 - 21 | FICE Roadside Design Course                | Tampa       | 24   | \$599 FES/FICE Members  |
|                  |  |             |      | \$699 non-members   |
|                  |  |             |      | After February 5 - \$50 late fee applies                                    |

### http://www.fleng.org/seminars.cfm

# Classifieds



Did you know that the Treasure Coast Chapter will publish POSITIONS WANTED and HELP WANTED notices for its members at no cost?! You can also add a link to the your company's website on the Chapter's site! Please email your advertisements or link requests to Sean Donahue at <u>SDonahue@IRCC.edu</u>

## **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 Sean Donahue at <u>SDonahue@IRCC.edu</u> or by telephone at (772) 462-7823

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