

## BLACKLINES

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

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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Will B. Cornelius II, E.I.

One year ago, The University of Central Florida Knights played all of their home football games off-campus, at the Florida Citrus Bowl. This Saturday, as the UCF Knights prepare to have their first football game in their new on-campus stadium, I feel it is only fitting to do some more reflecting about the previous year.

Last year's September issue of *Blacklines* began with an article discussing the Referendum on Research and Education Benefit Assessment to promote the Treasure Coast as an attractive locale for technology and research related businesses and education. In addition, a Political Issues Committee was established to promote the Treasure Coast as the next research and education hotspot, much like the research triangle park in North Carolina.

Now, it's one year later, and the roof is about to be constructed at the Torrey Pines Institute for Molecular Studies within the Florida Center for Innovation at Tradition research park. In addition, Indian River Community College, Florida Atlantic University and our local high schools are gearing up to prepare the future work force for careers in biotech and science.

Our chapter is pleased to be a sponsor of the **Research Coast** Economic Development Summit, which will be held on October 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Kight Center at IRCC's Main Campus in Fort Pierce. The purpose of this Economic Development Summit is to discuss how the region can work together to take full advantage of the knowledge based companies within the region and the biotech cluster that is beginning to form on the **Research Coast**.

As your President, I would like to encourage you to attend this Summit, where you will be able to take back a better understanding of how each county in the region can benefit from working together. Please do not hesitate to contact me at (772) 878-0072 or via email at <a href="https://www.wcommons.org/

Thank you again for allowing me to serve you.

Go Knights!

Will

## Calendar of Events for Upcoming Months

September 14	FICE/FDOT Financial Managers' Workshop (Walt Disney World)		
September 20	Treasure Coast		
_	Chapter Meeting		
October 1	2007-2008 FES Membership Renewal Deadline		
October 18	Treasure Coast Chapter Meeting		

#### 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 on the FES website in October. If you have anything you would like to put up for auction (football tickets, fishing trips, artwork, etc.) please contact Chad at Chad-R@LBFH.com. 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.

### September Meeting at a Glance...

Who: Paul Bangs, P.E.

What: Road & Bridge Inspections

Where: Club Med-Greenside Restaurant

4500 Pine Valley Road, PSL

**When**: September 20, 2007

6:00 pm Cocktail Hour

7:00 pm Dinner

Cost: \$40/person

**RSVP:** Jon Murray by September 19th at Jon-M@LBFH.com or by calling (772) 219-2928; include choice of Beef or Chicken

## ATTENTION GOVERNMENT ENGINEERS

This year the Treasure Coast Chapter is recognizing your efforts and commitment to the engineering profession. As part of this recognition, our members in government will be charged half-price for our chapter meetings and events. We look forward to seeing you at the meetings and being a part of this exciting year!

#### 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 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**

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



Stuart, Florida – September 2007 More than 785,000 Americans have leukemia, Hodgkin or non-Hodgkin lymphoma, or myeloma. Every five minutes, someone new is

diagnosed with blood cancer. Every 10 minutes, someone dies. Stuart resident Jennifer Porter is working hard to change those statistics. Ms. Porter is currently training to ride a 100-mile bike ride to raise money and awareness for the programs of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

Ms. Porter is a member of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's Team in Training Program, the world's largest endurance training program. As a member of the TNT cycling team, Ms. Porter will train with a cycling coach for 4 months in order to 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 patients with blood-related cancers. In support of this fundraising goal, Ms. Porter has created a cookbook, filled with recipes from the people of South Florida. All proceeds from the sale of that cookbook will benefit the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

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

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#### **FES Membership Benefits**

#### **Latest Industry Trends**

- Timely, vital information
- FES Journal
- FES Directory & Guide
- Member Times

#### **Education That Means Business**

 Continuing education <u>seminars</u> to help you earn Certificates of Professional Development that document your commitment to professional excellence.

#### **Capital Representation**

<u>Representation</u> before all government agencies.

#### **Recognition From Your Peers**

- Affiliation with over 4,250 of your peers in Florida and over 45,000 nationwide through NSPF.
- FES offers opportunities for engineers to be <u>honored and recognized</u> by their peers each year.

#### Giving Back to the Community

- Membership in one of 20 local <u>chapters</u>. Networking with other engineers in your community.
- Volunteering and participating in chaptersponsored community projects.
- Working with elementary, middle, and high school students who are the future of engineering, through such programs as <u>MATH-</u> <u>COUNTS</u>.
- Assisting in the awarding of thousands of dollars in <u>scholarships</u> to students studying engineering.
- Membership in the practice section of your choice. <u>Private Practice</u>, <u>Construction</u>, <u>Industry</u>, <u>Education</u>, <u>Government</u>, and <u>Professional Engineers Retired</u>

#### Helping to Build Your Career

- Information on the latest industry trends to keep you abreast of rapidly changing issues.
- Seminars, workshops, and forums to enhance your skills.
- Leadership training and opportunities.
- Networking with your fellow engineers. Your key to meeting the top professionals in your community.

Only Through Numbers
Do We Have Strength...
Encourage others to JOIN TODAY!

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

Date	Event	Location	PDHs	Cost
September 14	FICE/FDOT Financial Managers' Workshop	Walt Disney World		\$275 FES/FICE Members \$375 non-members *After August 21 - \$50 late fee applies
October 12	FDOT Automated Fee Proposal (AFP) Consultant Invoice Transmittal System (CITS) Train- ing	Altamonte Springs	1	\$149 FES/FICE Members & FDOT Employees \$249 non-members  *After September 28 - \$50 late fee applies
October 16 - 18	Work Zone Traffic Control	Boca Raton	20	\$525 FES/FICE Members & FDOT Employ- ees \$625 non-members *After October 2 - \$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 Sean-D@LBFH.com

#### **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>Sean-D@LBFH.com</u> or by telephone at (772) 286-3883

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