







FICE Vision: To be the recognized advocate for all consulting engineers in Florida

Message from the President

Timothy P. Brodeur, PE 2016 FICE President

WOW! I can't believe that the FES/FICE Centennial Celebration is less than 3 weeks away! I hope you've made your plans to attend the <u>FES/FICE 100th Annual Conference</u>, but if you haven't registered yet, be sure to go <u>ONLINE TODAY</u> because the <u>online registration closes at midnight</u>. You can still register onsite August 4-6 at the TPC Sawgrass Marriott in Ponte Vedra Beach.



Speaking of registrations, they continue to be ahead of schedule and we're excited to bring you such an exceptional event. One quick note, please be aware that the FICE Banquet and EEA Awards has been moved to Saturday night (in the past it was hosted on Friday), so please prepare your clients.

As we look forward to a great time and celebration of 100 years of engineering excellence in Florida, I am especially excited about the nine "Projects of the Century!" They will be on display starting Friday morning, with a special presentation during the FES Centennial Celebration that evening. You do not want to miss this celebration!

In FICE news, we continue to actively working on the legislative candidate list for state offices, as well as support for friendly federal office seekers through <u>CELC</u> and <u>ACEC PAC</u> for the coming primaries in August and the general election in November. FICE continues to seek engineer friendly candidates to support along with ASCE.

Meanwhile, FICE is working with a joint task force of Architects, Surveyors and Landscape Architects on a CCNA program to develop best practices and information for clients to ward off violations in the RFP process. We have shared with the other professionals, the Powerpoint presentation about the fundamentals of CCNA that can be presented to public agencies to use with their clients. Stay tuned as this task force works through good and bad examples of RFP documents.

Be safe, happy travels, and I look forward to seeing everyone in Ponte Vedra Beach in a few weeks!

News Releases

FELI Class of 2017 - Now Accepting Applications

We are excited to announce that FICE is now accepting applications for the Florida Engineering Leadership Institute (FELI) Class of 2017!



<u>Application</u> - If you are ready to apply, please <u>click here</u> to obtain the full Application Form, complete and submit.

Intent to Apply - Intend to apply, but are not yet able to complete the full application? Please <u>click</u> <u>here</u> to obtain the one-page Intent to Apply form, complete and submit to inform us of your interest in participating in the FELI Class of 2017.

Applications must be postmarked by August 31, 2016.

It is anticipated that confirmation of the FELI Class of 2017 and notification of acceptance will transpire in September. The first FELI session will be held in November, 2016 and will conclude in August, 2017, based on the **proposed schedule**.

Session	Date	City
I	11/3-5/16	Tampa
II	1/12-14/17	Orlando
III	2/2017**	Tallahassee
IV	3/30/17-4/1/17	Jacksonville
V	6/8-10/17	Coral Gables
VI	8/3-5/17 (at 2017 Annual Conf.)	Palm Beach

^{**}Date announced once it is confirmed.

For more information, please visit <u>Fleng.org</u> or contact Kathy M. Keiffer, CMP, at <u>kkeiffer@fleng.org</u> or 850-224-7121. Website updates will be made soon, so please check back for additional information.

Limited seating available - so don't wait until it's too late!



Geotechnical & Materials Engineers Council

2016-2017 GMEC Executive Committee

GMEC Chairman Matt Landschoot, PE

GMEC Vice Chairman Larry Madrid PE, D.GE, F.ASCE

GMEC Secretary Matt Sloan, PE

GMEC Treasurer Jose N. Gomez, PE, MSc, D.GE, F.ASCE

GMEC Past Chairman Mark Mongeau, PE, F.NSPE

GMEC Director P. Jeff D'huyvetter, PE

Legislative Corner

Florida Elections - Qualifying Report (June 2016)

Public Records Update

Letter from Senator Simpson to Florida Business Community

Legislative Spotlight

FICE would like to congratulate our lobbyists Johnson and Blanton on being chosen for Boutique Lobbying Firm of Year for the 2016 **Golden Rotunda Awards**.

FICE CCNA Letter Campaign

FICE directs an educational letter campaign to educate public entities regarding the Consultant's Competitive Negotiation Act (CCNA). This campaign is driven by FICE members who anonymously send Request for Proposal (RFP) to headquarters. This method ensures that the government agency does not know which firm filed the complaint. FICE staff in return corresponds with government officials in an effort to educate them on the CCNA law and encourages them to amend their RFP process. This has been a successful program and we encourage all members to participate.



If you see an RFP that may be violating the CCNA law, please email <u>Samantha Hobbs</u>. If a member firm or licensed engineer within a member firm knowingly violates CCNA, FICE believes you may be in violation of Chapter 61G15, rules and regulations. <u>CCNA Letter Catalog</u>

Boards, Authorities and Commissions

At recent FICE Board meetings, we have discussed ways to increase our engineering presence on boards, authorities and commissions, especially appointments made by the Governor's Office. If you're interested in applying for an appointment, please visit:

Questionnaire for Appointments.

There you can click on the link for Boards of interest and use the drop down menus to see what boards currently have vacancies.

Contact **Samantha Hobbs** if you have any questions.

Seminars and Education

LAST DAY TO REGISTER ONLINE!!!



Onsite registration will be available August 4-6 at TPC Sawgrass Marriott, Ponte Vedra Beach



4th Annual Florida Automated Vehicle Summit Tampa Marriott Waterside Hotel November 29-30, 2016

Hosted by the Florida Institute of Consulting Engineers (FICE)

Save The Date!

Registration Coming Soon

The **4th Annual Florida Automated Vehicles Summit** is an event dedicated to showcasing Florida's progress in preparing for automated vehicles. With an organized agenda full of industry experts, keynote speakers, and ongoing live demonstrations, attendees will have the opportunity to gain insight into what Florida is doing to create the ideal climate for the implementation and deployment of autonomous and connected vehicles technologies. Live demonstrations showcasing connected and automated technologies will provide a visualization of the positive impacts these technologies will have on Florida roadways.

The Florida Automated Vehicles Initiative is leading by example with pilot projects, research projects, and open dialogue to ensure Florida serves as a leader in the application of these exciting technologies.

www.automatedfl.com

Hires, Promotions, & Awards



DRMP is pleased to announce that *Chris Towne, PE* has been promoted to Division Manager of the General Civil Division. He will be responsible for overseeing and managing staff and the technical, financial and business development aspects for the General Civil Division and Geographic Information Systems Department.

Engineer Towne has 20 years of experience, including the nine years he has worked for DRMP as a Senior Project Manager and Office Leader of the firm's Gainesville office. He has a variety of civil engineering experience, including roadway, bridge, airport, structural, drainage, water, sanitary sewer and site civil design. All of this experience has afforded him the knowledge and experience of managing projects with a multi-discipline approach.

"Chris began working at DRMP just before the recession started and has done a remarkable job in building and growing the Gainesville region. With his great leadership and well-rounded civil engineering experience, I have complete confidence in him as the firm's new General Civil Division Manager," said DRMP Principal *Larry Smith*, *Jr.*, *PE*, *LEED Green Associate*.

Ellis & Associates, Inc. (E&A), an ECS Group of Companies, is pleased to announce that *David W. Spangler*, *PE* has been promoted to Manager of the Geotechnical Engineering Department. Engineer Spangler has 19 years of geotechnical engineering experience and is a licensed Professional Engineer in Florida and Georgia. He has managed hundreds of geotechnical investigations throughout the Southeast on a wide variety of private and public sector projects, including buildings, industrial and healthcare facilities, schools, parks, bridges, roadways, airports and seaports.

Engineer Spangler has extensive experience with all aspects of land development including large subdivisions, retail centers and other largescale projects. Additionally, he has managed and performed Phase I and Phase II Environmental Site Assessments and several Construction Materials Testing projects.

Faller, Davis & Associates, Inc. (FDA) is pleased to announce that **Patty Livak, PE**, recently joined the firm as Senior Traffic Engineer. Patty brings with her 19 years of experience in the traffic engineering industry. She has vast experience working throughout Florida for various FDOT Districts, local counties and municipalities. Her experience includes the design and development of plans for signing and pavement marking, traffic signal, ITS, traffic control, and intersection

improvement projects. Her project experience ranges from straightforward resurfacing to complex interstate widening. Patty has worked on notable projects such as Veterans Expressway Express Lane Implementation from Memorial Highway to Gunn Highway, Tampa Bay SunGuide Phase III Freeway Management System Projects, I-275 Bridge Widening, and Suncoast Parkway All Electronic Toll Conversion.

"We are extremely excited to have Patty as part of the FDA Team. Her traffic design expertise is a perfect complement to our current staff. She embodies all of the FDA values and has proven herself to be an asset to our team," said *Nancy Faller Brown, PE*, President of FDA. Patty is a licensed Professional Engineer in Florida and holds a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering degree from Drexel University. FDA is a consulting civil engineering firm providing transportation design and operations, planning, and environmental services primarily to public sector clients throughout Florida. We employ over 45 highly skilled professionals including engineers, scientists, inspectors, and technicians, with experience spanning more than 30 years."

John P. Downes, PE, has been promoted to Transportation Market Leader at Stanley Consultants. Based in the company's West Palm Beach office, in this position he will lead the company's transportation efforts worldwide. Ranked by Engineering News-Record as one of the nation's Top 50 Transportation Firms, Stanley Consultants is a multidiscipline firm providing program management, planning, engineering, environmental, and construction services worldwide.

Engineer Downes has over 30 years of professional experience in civil engineering He joined Stanley Consultants in 2012 and was elected a vice president in 2015. He served most recently as the Southeast Regional Manager for the company's Infrastructure Business and managed operations and sales in the company's West Palm Beach, Sarasota, Tampa, Miami and Puerto Rico offices. He is a member of the Florida Engineering Society, and Florida Institute of Consulting Engineers, and a former member of the Town of Jupiter Planning & Zoning Commission, and the Palm Beach County Sports Commission.

TKW Consulting Engineers, Inc is pleased to announce *Roxanne Gause, PE* has joined the firm in our Fort Myers office as a Senior Environmental Engineer. Engineer Gause is experienced in Phase I and Phase II Environmental Assessments, and has served as Project Manager on Site Assessment Reports, Remedial Action Plans, Underground Storage Tank (UST) Closure Reports, and Emergency Source Removal activities. These projects include the study of soil contaminations and field study work, environmental sampling, soil sampling for hazardous substance release sites, and reports prepared pursuant to Health and Safety Codes.

Engineer Gause holds a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from the University of South Florida and is a registered engineer in Florida with 25 years of experience. She serves on the Advisory Board of the U.A. Whitaker School of Engineering at FGCU, and serves as a Brownfield Advisory Board Member for the City of Fort Myers.

Committee Reports

Are you interested in joining a committee, but don't know how to join!?! Here's <u>more information</u> to help you decide exactly which committee you would like to participate on and how to join!

FICE Committee Reports

FEPAC (Florida Engineers Political Action Committee) met June 24 and discussed fundraising and distribution to state candidates. To become involved in this committee, contact shobbs@fleng.org.

FL ACEC PAC (American Council of Engineering Companies Political Action Committee) committee met July 8 and discussed fundraising and distribution to Congressional candidates. To become involved in this committee, contact **shobbs@fleng.org**.

GMEC Executive Committee held a conference call to review the success of the 2016 GMEC Conference and look ahead to next year's conference. It is anticipated that the 2017 GMEC Conference will be held April 20-21, 2017, in Orlando and selection of a conference hotel is currently underway. To learn more, contact kkeiffer@fleng.org.

Transportation Committee met July 11 in Tampa with over 100 attendees. The guest speaker, Jeff Siddle, Tampa International Airport - Assistant Vice President of Planning & Development, gave a presentation to the committee. Committee topics of discussion included - GEC staff in negotiations, survey and mapping job classifications, consultant marketing procedure, and 3D Design. The eight (8) subcommittees also provided updates. To become involved in this committee, contact **shobbs@fleng.org**.

Consulting Engineers Legislative Council (CELC) continues fundraising for multiple campaigns before the primary elections. A committee of FICE, CELC, was created to provide targeted proengineering legislative candidates with special funding to assist in their efforts to run successful campaigns. The Council is currently represented by 65 Professional Engineers and Firms. Empower CELC, become involved today, contact shobbs@fleng.org.

ACEC Report

ACEC/PAC is the primary weapon in our industry's political arsenal to help elect candidates to office who support pro-business, pro-engineering positions. ACEC/PAC is bipartisan and operates out in the open in full compliance with the Federal Election Campaign Act and applicable state laws. Supporting political programs like ACEC/PAC is the best thing we can do to make sure engineering firms have a voice at the table when key decisions are made affecting our future.

ACEC PAC 2016 Contribution Form
ACEC PAC 2016 Recurring Contribution Form
PAC Permission Form 2016-2020
2016 Contributor Benefits

Tickets for the <u>ACEC/PAC Fall Sweepstakes</u> are now available. Enter now for your chance to win one of 15 cash prizes worth \$35,000.

Your support of ACEC/PAC is critical to electing pro-business men and women to Congress this Fall.

Support ACEC/PAC today by <u>purchasing your Sweepstakes Tickets</u>

15 Cash Prizes worth \$35,000 Winners announced at the ACEC/PAC Sweepstakes Breakfast on Saturday, October 22, 2016

TWO WAYS TO ENTER:

Log on to the <u>ACEC/PAC Website</u> with your ACEC credentials, click Contribute Today **OR** Download the <u>Entry Form</u> and mail, fax or email it back.

Questions? Contact Katherine Bohny at kbohny@acec.org or 202-347-7474, ext. 322.



#ThankAnEngineer is FES's campaign to showcase and promote all the incredible projects, ideas, structures, technological advancements, etc that you would like to **#ThankAnEngineer** for making possible. Or maybe you want to highlight a specific engineer, snap a picture of them, upload the photo to Instagram, and use **#ThankAnEngineer** to let them know how much you care! Questions? Email **Chad Faison** or you may call him at 850-224-7121.

Calendar of Events

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3-6 FELI Class of 2016, Session VI and Graduation, Sawgrass Marriott, Jacksonville

FICE Board of Directors Meeting, Sawgrass Marriott 1:30 pm-5 pm.

All members welcome

2016 FES/FICE Annual Conference, Sawgrass Marriott, Ponte Vedra 4-6

Beach

If you are interested in having an item published in the FICE Update, please email fice@fleng.org



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