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UUCF 2010 Convention . . . 30th Anniversary Cruise

Join the Underground Utility Contractors of Florida (UUCF) as we celebrate our 30th Anniversary aboard Royal Caribbean's Grandeur of the Seas. The cruise will be departing from Fort Lauderdale on Thursday, July 22, with stops in Key West and Cozumel, and arriving back in Fort Lauderdale on Monday, July 26. We hope you and your family will join us for this wonderful event.

Royal Caribbean's Grandeur of the Seas is a 2,446-guest ship which is equipped with a full-service spa, six whirlpools, an outdoor jogging track and a seemingly endless choice of bars and restaurants. If you would like to take a Virtual Tour of the ship, please [click here](#). If you would like to view the deck plan, please [click here](#).

The ship has a Rock-climbing wall, Casino RoyaleSM, themed bars and lounges, eight bars and lounges, stunning Centrum (an open atrium featuring shopping and more), outdoor pool, indoor/outdoor pool in a Solarium with a sliding roof, Adventure Ocean[®] youth facilities and Day Spa and Fitness Center.

When it comes to beautiful beaches and sparkling blue waters, the Caribbean is really in a league of its own. And beneath their tropical paradise settings, these islands are home to rich culture and complex histories.

The tentative 2010 Convention and sailing itinerary are as follows:

Thursday, July 22, 2010

Executive Committee Meeting

3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Registration

3:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Hospitality Room

3:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Depart from Fort Lauderdale, Florida

5:00 p.m.

Thursday Reception

6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Thursday Dinner

8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Friday, July 23, 2010

Arrive in Key West, Florida

7:00 a.m.

Registration

2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Hospitality Room

2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Depart from Key West, Florida

2:00 p.m.

Friday Reception

5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Friday Dinner

8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Saturday, July 24, 2010

Arrive in Cozumel, Mexico

10:00 a.m.

Continuing Education Seminar (Continued on Sunday)

7:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Registration

2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Hospitality Room

2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Depart from Cozumel, Mexico

7:00 p.m.

Saturday Dinner

8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Sunday, July 25, 2010

Cruising all day

Continuing Education Seminar (Continued from Saturday)

7:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Registration

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Hospitality Room

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Board of Director's Meeting

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.




Registration

2:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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Hospitality Room

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Sunday Reception

5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Sunday Dinner

8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Monday, July 26, 2010

Arrive in Fort Lauderdale, Florida

7:00 a.m.

Disembark

9:00 a.m.

This year's Convention Committee is being chaired by Flo Woodall of John Woody, Inc. in Jacksonville. This year's Convention Theme is *Journey to the Future . . . Don't Stop Believin'*.

The 2010 Platinum Sponsors of the UUCF Convention as of April 16, 2010 are:

- CNA
- Nortrax
- Sunshine State One Call of Florida, Inc.

To become a Platinum Sponsor, the cost is \$3,000.00. Platinum Sponsors are entitled to the following benefits:

- Platinum Sponsor company name will appear alphabetically on all flyers and registration forms regarding the convention.
- A retractable banner stand with all of the platinum sponsor's company logos will be displayed in the

UUCF Registration/Hospitality Room and at all of UUCF's private functions.

- Each platinum sponsor will have their company logo either embroidered or silk screened on a canvas tote bag which will be distributed to the UUCF Convention attendees (one bag per couple).
- Each platinum sponsor will be entitled to place their company logo items (i.e., koozies, water bottles, etc.) into the canvas tote bag.
- A profile of your company will be included in the convention program and printed in one month's issue of the *Ditchmen*.
- Special name tags displaying "Platinum Sponsor" to all employees of your company in attendance.
- First option on returning as a sponsor for the 2011 Convention.

The 2010 Gold Sponsors of the UUCF Convention as of April 16, 2010 are:

- Glenn Rasmussen Fogarty & Hooker, P.A.
- ITT Water & Wastewater Florida, LLC
- Linder Industrial Machinery Company
- Pensacola Concrete Construction Company, Inc.
- Ring Power Corporation

To become a Gold Sponsor, the cost is \$1,500.00. Gold Sponsors are entitled to the following benefits:

- Your company's name added to a retractable banner stand with all of the gold sponsor's names which will be displayed in the UUCF Registration/Hospitality Suite and at all of UUCF's private functions (e.g., UUCF 2010 Annual Convention Gold Sponsors: "Your Company Name". All companies will be listed in alphabetical order on the signage).
- Your company name listed with other Gold Sponsors in our convention program which will be given to all attendees.
- First option on returning as a Gold Sponsor for the 2011 Convention.

The UUCF office sent out the 2010 Convention Silver Sponsorship information to the 2009 Silver Sponsors. Information will be sent to the full membership in the near future.

The Convention Committee has established that UUCF will be holding three receptions during the cruise. There will also be continuing education classes for contractors.

The Convention Cabin Registration Form is available. If you plan on joining us for the 30th Anniversary

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information.

Contractor V License Renewals

Just a reminder that the Contractor V license from the State Fire Marshal's office is up for renewal on June 30, 2010. Current law requires Contractor V licenseholders to obtain 14 hours of continuing education with at least one hour in fire protection discipline.

Reciprocity was established between the State Fire Marshal's office and the Construction Industry Licensing Board (CILB). Any hours obtained through CILB approved courses can apply towards your Contractor V license. The same applies to courses obtained through the State Fire Marshal's office.



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Cruise, please complete and submit your Convention Cabin Registration Form, along with payment, to the UUCF office as soon as possible.

Cabins will be on a first-come, first-serve basis and will not be reserved until payment is received.

The UUCF office will also be sending out a Convention Registration Form in the near future which will cover the registration fee for all private UUCF functions during the cruise.

Please note: Due to the heightened level of security in 2005, **ALL** passengers are required to have a passport. A passport at embarkation is strictly enforced. Anyone arriving at the port without a passport will be denied boarding and NO REFUND will be issued. No exception will be made, per Royal Caribbean. Everyone **MUST** have a passport when taking a cruise to any foreign port of call. If

you do not have a passport, go to the U.S. Department of State website at http://travel.state.gov/passport/forms/forms_847.html.

UUCF will be holding a Silent Auction this year, but there is a twist. The Silent Auction will be called the White Elephant Auction. As in past years, individuals or companies will make a donation to the Auction. The individuals, companies or UUCF office will wrap the item(s). Attendees at the convention will be provided with a list of each of the items donated; however, they will not know what package the items are located in. Throughout the Convention, individuals will bid on the items; however, they will not know what is in the wrapped package that they are bidding on. Once UUCF closes the Auction, wrapped packages will be awarded to the highest bidder; however, the highest bidder cannot open the package. Individuals who are the

highest bidder are allowed to exchange their wrapped package for another wrapped package. Once the exchange is over, then each individual with a wrapped package will be allowed to open their package. Some of the items donated to the White Elephant Auction will be silent items and others will be live items.

Instead of holding a Chinese Raffle, UUCF will be holding a Lucky 30 Raffle. A Lucky 30 Raffle is where UUCF will place the numbers of 1 – 30 on slips of paper in a bowl. Attendees at the Convention will pull a number from the bowl. Whatever number they pulled, that is the cost of their raffle ticket (i.e., if the number 30 is pulled, the individual would pay \$30.00). Half of the proceeds from the Lucky 30 Raffle collected go to the association, and the other half of the proceeds go to the winner. The Lucky 30 Raffle will be held on Friday night during the reception.

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UUCF/Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Scholarship Foundation Application Available

The UUCF/Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Scholarship Foundation, Inc. is pleased to announce that its scholarship application is available. The scholarship application is available to any employee and/or their immediate family member (i.e., child, grandchild, etc.) who is employed by a company that is a member of UUCF.

This year, the foundation will be awarding two one-time only \$6,000.00 scholarships. The first \$6,000.00 scholarship is for an individual who is currently a senior graduating from high school and enrolling in an accredited two- or four-year college or university for the year beginning in August or September 2010. The second

\$6,000 scholarship is for an individual who is currently attending an undergraduate two- or four- year accredited college or university for the year beginning in August or September 2010. The enrollment may be in a curriculum of any number of years but the scholarship will not exceed one year. (Applicants must be affiliated with a UUCF member in good standing with dues paid at the time of application. Out of state branches of member companies are not eligible.)

The UUCF/Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Scholarship Foundation, Inc. was established in memory of "Andrew" Andy Scott Johnson who is the son of a Past President of UUCF, Scott J. Johnson (Johnson-Davis, Inc.).

On December 28, 1999, Andrew "Andy" Scott Johnson was killed in an automobile accident. Andy was 19 years of age. He was an honor student and a 1998 graduate of Pope John Paul II High School. He was a sophomore at Vanderbilt University. He loved the outdoors, all kinds of sports, especially Lacrosse, music and sport fishing. Andy was especially dedicated and loyal to his many friends and family.

If you have any questions, need additional information or would like to request a scholarship application, please do not hesitate to contact the UUCF/Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Scholarship Foundation office at (407) 830-1880.

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DEP Announces Completed Projects with Stimulus Funds to Benefit Water Quality

—Federal funding to protect environment and public health, stimulate economy—

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) announced recently that it has committed all \$218.9 million in Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) project money made available through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA).

Florida secured the ARRA money to help local governments across the state finance improvements to wastewater, stormwater and drinking water facilities essential to protecting

public health and the environment. Florida was one of the first states to meet all the requirements necessary to obtain the full amount of ARRA funds.

“Investing in our wastewater, stormwater and drinking water infrastructure is critical to water quality and public health protection for our citizens. The stimulus money offered an important supplement to our existing programs to fund infrastructure for local communities,” said DEP Secretary Michael W. Sole. “These projects have also boosted the

local economy through job creation and helped provide the communities with new sources of revenue.”

Twenty-eight projects have been awarded stimulus funds totaling more than \$132 million through the department’s CWSRF and another 40 projects have been awarded more than \$86 million through the DWSRF. All local construction contracts have been awarded and all projects have started construction.

DEP received more than \$850 million in requests for the \$86.6



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million of ARRA drinking water project funds and more than \$1.5 billion in requests competing for \$132.3 million in ARRA wastewater and stormwater funding. Qualifying projects were selected for ARRA funding, based on their construction-readiness and environmental or public health priority.

The East County Water Control District (ECWCD) is a prime example of stimulus money at work. With \$2,418,819 awarded by DEP on June 26, 2009, ECWCD has completed construction of the Harns Marsh Phase I Improvements and the Yellowtail Replacement Project—Florida's first completed ARRA projects. Working with DEP, ECWCD has been able to replace four structures and build one new structure in order to reduce flooding to downstream neighbors on the Orange River, improve water quality and storage; and recharge the groundwater aquifers.

The Harns Marsh Phase I Improvement Project and Yellowtail 1A Replacement Project created jobs that otherwise might not have been available in a down economy. More than 40 jobs in construction, engineering and project management put money in people's pockets and into the businesses of local communities.

"The support ECWCD has received from DEP enabled us to improve our services to local residents by replacing and constructing much needed infrastructure," said Dave Lindsay, ECWCD District Manager. "The Harns Marsh Phase I and Yellowtail Replacement Projects have allowed us to recharge local basins, alleviate flooding to our Orange River residents and prepare for water storage for the 2010 rainy season."

ECWCD preserves and protects water resources in Lehigh Acres (eastern Lee County) and western Hendry County through drainage, conservation, mitigation, navigational and water management practices.

The District maintains 360 culvert crossing, 22 bridges, 66 water control structures and maintains 1,298 preserve acres within 70,000 acres of land – approximately 68,000 of which lie in eastern Lee County.

DEP established its SRF programs, under agreements with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, to provide low-interest financing to plan, design and build wastewater, stormwater and drinking water systems. Funded by federal capitalization grants, state matching funds, loan repayments, interest earnings, and periodic bond issues, SRF loans are offered at interest rates substantially below current market rates and help make loans affordable.

Since 1999, Florida has invested more than \$3.7 billion to upgrade and improve water and wastewater facilities and clean up stormwater pollution, funding about 2,400 projects statewide.

For more information on the State Revolving Funds, visit:
www.dep.state.fl.us/water/wff.

For a list of communities awarded drinking water and clean water ARRA funding, visit:
www.dep.state.fl.us/water/wff/dwsrf/docs/final_dwsrf_certification.pdf,
and www.dep.state.fl.us/water/wff/cwsrf/docs/final_cwsrf_certification.pdf, respectively.

For more information about Florida's use of the federal recovery dollars made available through ARRA, please visit
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NUCA Update

NUCA Mourns the Passing of 1996 President, John R. Hall



It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of NUCA's 1996 President, John R. Hall, on Monday, April 5, 2010. He was one

of the most consistently friendly people around and a pioneer in the trenchless industry. He and his wife Eveyln were familiar faces at NUCA conventions, traveling mostly in their RV.

Johnny was the owner of San Antonio Road Boring, and a strong supporter of NUCA's legislative and safety programs. He will be greatly missed by his many friends in the underground utility construction industry. [Click here](#) to view his full obituary.

White House PLA Rule Goes Final – Business Lines up in Opposition

During the week of April 11, the Obama Administration issued a federal rule that implements an Executive Order (EO) that was signed by President Obama in February 2009. The rule encourages federal agencies to require "project labor agreements" (PLAs) for all construction projects larger than \$25 million, essentially meaning that only contractors who

agree to union representation are eligible for federal projects. Although the rule does not throw a blanket requirement subjecting all federal projects to PLAs, it would require federal agencies to develop PLA policies that that could be applied to individual federal projects. Under the final rule, the threshold of the original EO is maintained (\$25 million for federal construction projects) and PLA's could not be retroactively applied to federal projects already underway.

NUCA does not oppose policies that allow for PLAs between the project owner and the contractor(s) working on the project. However, we do oppose federal requirements that mandate the use of PLAs. Therefore, NUCA joined several business organizations **signing a letter** in support of the Government Neutrality in Contracting Act (H.R. 983) introduced by Rep. John Sullivan (R-OK), stating that the bill would "curb waste and favoritism in federal construction contracting and ensure that taxpayer-funded construction contracts are awarded on sound principles that will deliver to taxpayers the best possible product at the best possible price." The legislation would prohibit government mandated PLAs on federal projects, while permitting contractors and subcontractors to voluntarily enter into PLAs after the project has been bid.

As the Hotel Deadline Approaches, NUCA Issues Heat up – We Need You in DC Next! Month!

This Friday, April 23 is the cut-off

deadline to receive the special discounted rate at the Hyatt Regency on Capitol Hill for the NUCA Washington Summit, May 17 – 19, 2010. This year, your participation has never been more important: the issues we are working can put the underground utility construction industry back to work, put two burdensome tax issues to rest and ensure a fair environment in labor relations.

With construction unemployment remaining at around 24 percent, advocating for legislation that will provide public and private dollars in the water and wastewater infrastructure market will be JOB #1. Legislation (HR 537) that would eliminate the state volume cap on private activity bonds (PABs) has passed the House and is gaining momentum in the Senate (see previous article). Passage of the bill would open the door to limitless private capital in our market.

Two notorious tax issues are reaching critical deadlines. Unless Congress agrees on a fix, the federal estate tax (death tax) will return to previous (2000) levels. Also, the dreaded "government 3% withholding" tax will take effect in 2012 unless we kill it this year or next.

Although "card check" legislation has stalled for the moment, organized labor is no shrinking violet – they will pull out all the stops over the next several months to move the Employee Free Choice Act this year. So unless you're okay with a facilitated process regarding union affiliation and binding government arbitration when a contract isn't agreed to in 90 days, we respectfully suggest you have a vested interest in this year's Washington Summit.

We aren't just hoping you attend – we're banking on it. [Click here](#) for all of the Summit details.





Looking for Assistance to Send Your Child to College this Fall?

The NUCA Foundation for Education and Research wants to help! Any high school senior whose parent or legal guardian is employed by a NUCA member company in good standing at the time of the application deadline may apply. Student employees, including part-time employees, are also eligible, as are dependents of NUCA Chapter Executive Directors. The applicant must be graduating from high school in 2010 and enrolling full time in an accredited two-year or four-year college or university for his or her freshman year beginning in the fall of 2010. The following NUCA Scholarships are anticipated to be awarded at the following values in 2010:

- D.A. Foster Memorial Scholarship – \$8,000 award (\$2,000/year over four years)
- William & Shirley Burgett Scholarship – \$2,000 one-time award
- NUCA \$4,000 Scholarship – \$4,000 award (\$1,000/year over four years)
- * NUCA \$1,000 Scholarship – \$1,000 award (\$500/year over two years for those enrolling in two-year programs.)

How to Apply

Click here for an application, or call NUCA at (800) 662-6822. Fully completed applications must be received at the NUCA office on or before May 13, 2010 to be considered. The complete application form and all required supporting documentation must be received at the NUCA office no later than 6:00 p.m. eastern time, Thursday, May 13, 2010. Supporting documentation may be

sent separately. Incomplete and improper applications will not be considered. Please address to: NUCA Foundation Scholarship Committee, 4301 North Fairfax Drive, Suite 360, Arlington, VA, 22203. E-mails and faxes will not be accepted. NUCA staff will endeavor to advise applicants of incomplete applications only if, in staff's judgment, the incomplete information can be reasonably expected to be resolved and missing information received before the deadline.

Additional Documentation Required

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The UUCF PAC needs your help today if it is to continue contributing to candidates who are business friendly. During the 2008 Election, UUCF expended more than \$60,000 to candidates running for House and Senate seats. Candidates and the UUCF PAC now need to replenish their funds for the 2010 Election. The UUCF PAC is currently receiving solicitations from candidates. This is why we are asking for your support today.

Facts pertaining to the 2010 Election:

- For the first time ever, every member of the state's Cabinet will be up for grabs in the same election. Governor, attorney general, chief financial officer and agriculture commissioner will each be filled by new people.

- The U.S. Senate race will lead the parade.
- All 120 state House seats are up for grabs and more than half of the Senate.
- Qualifying for state office elections ends June 18.
- Primary elections are August 24. The general election is November 2.
- Independent voters, about one in five in Florida, will be a focus in all the statewide races.

Legislative actions have a major impact on our industry. It is important to elect members to the Florida Legislature who are willing to listen objectively to our concerns,

understand them and act accordingly. Our opponents are powerful with seemingly unlimited resources. They spend big money to elect candidates who do not share our values and concerns.

UUCF has just come off another successful Legislative Session. The success was hard fought. These victories came because UUCF has worked hard to send elected officials to Tallahassee who will listen to our concerns.

UUCF has enjoyed much success over the years through its day-to-day lobbying efforts. The reasons for this success are clear — we are visible, vocal and effective. The UUCF PAC is one vehicle we use to reach our

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goals. We need your help today to send Florida's best to Tallahassee.

One of the most important aspects of a successful legislative program is the ability to assist candidates financially during their campaigns. The UUCF PAC has been there in the past making contributions to "business friendly" candidates.

There are four UUCF PAC club memberships: President's Club – \$1,200.00 for the first year, \$1,000.00 for renewal years; Founders Club – \$500.00; Century Club – \$250.00; and Capital Club – \$100.00. The UUCF PAC also accepts donations in any amount that you are comfortable contributing. If you are interested in joining one of these clubs, please contact the UUCF

office for a UUCF PAC Membership Form at (407) 830-1880.

UUCF would like to thank the following individuals who have joined the various UUCF PAC clubs as of April 16, 2010:

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Just a reminder that the Certified Contractor licenses from the Department of Business and Professional Regulation (DBPR) are up for renewal on August 31, 2010. Current law requires licenseholders to obtain 14 hours of continuing education with at least one hour in workplace safety, one hour in workers' compensation, one hour in business practices, one hour in the advance building code module, one hour in laws and rules (Chapter 489) and one hour in wind mitigation (this requirement only affects general, residential, building, roofing and glass and glazing contractors).

Don't forget to notify the DBPR office of any address change. Section 489.124(2) gives sole responsibility to the licensee for notifying DBPR in writing of the licensee's current mailing address and phone number. Failure to notify the department of a change of address shall constitute a violation of this section. In addition, if your address changes and you do not notify the department, you may not receive important mailings from the department such as your renewal notice.

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President's Message



Greetings to all, and welcome to our new members. Last month, we held the UUCF Board of Director's Meeting at the Governors Club in Tallahassee and met with our state representatives and senators. Our meeting went well, and the two main items approved were the Budget and our contract with the R. Bruce Kershner Company. I would like to thank Kirk Richmond, Bruce Wendorf and everyone who helped with their input on these items. Like a lot of our companies, we have made as many realistic cuts as we can, and Bruce Kershner will continue taking advantage of any savings that might come up during the year. If you have any questions on these two items, you are welcome to call your chapter representative, myself or the UUCF office, and we will be glad to answer your questions.



On Tuesday March 23, we visited our representatives and senators at the Capitol.

I have not spoken to the other chapters but our Northwest Florida UCA chapter had very good visits with our representatives and senators. For the most part, they felt the same way we did about our issues. One major issue before the state is taking \$426 million dollars out of the State Transportation Fund and putting that money into the general fund. The idea behind moving the money is that some think it will create jobs. Our thoughts are that it will take away more jobs than it will create and will take work from our industry. We also heard that most of the money will go to education, and the legislators are worried how to argue against

education to save the highway money.

In closing, congratulations to the UUCF/Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Scholarship Foundation Fishing Tournament which, as usual, was a great success. Also, we have our 2010 UUCF Convention 30th Anniversary "Journey to the Future . . . 'Don't Stop Believin'" cruise on July 22-26 which should be a blast. The Convention Cabin Registration Form is out, and we encourage everyone to register as soon as you can. If you have any questions, please call Flo Woodall or Julie Kershner as they will be glad to answer your questions.

One last point . . . continue doing business with fellow UUCF members. We need to stick together during these tough times.

Sincerely,
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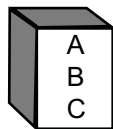
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- Review of Key Statutory Definitions
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Calendar of Events

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June 4 Board of Director's Meeting, Orlando
 July 22-26 30th Anniversary Cruise
 Royal Caribbean Grandeur of the Seas
 July 25 Board of Director's Meeting
 Nov. 5 Board of Director's Meeting, Orlando

Northwest Florida UCA

May 5 Golf Tournament, Pensacola
 May 13 Board of Director's Meeting, Pensacola
 June 10 Board of Director's Meeting, Pensacola
 July 8 Board of Director's Meeting, Pensacola
 Aug. 12 Board of Director's Meeting, Pensacola
 Sept. 9 Board of Director's Meeting, Pensacola
 Sept. 18 Fishing Tournament, Pensacola
 Oct. 14 Board of Director's Meeting, Pensacola
 Oct. 22 Clay Tournament, Pensacola
 Nov. 2 Board of Director's Meeting, Pensacola
 Nov. 12 Annual Meeting, Pensacola

Southwest Florida UCA

May 15 Scholarship Golf Tournament
 June 24 Scholarship Night & Dinner Meeting
 July (TBA) Board of Director's Meeting
 Aug. 19 General Membership Meeting, Holiday Inn,
 Gulf Coast Town Center, Fort Myers
 Sept. 17-19 Fishing Tournament,
 'Tween Waters Inn, Captiva Island
 Oct. 21 General Membership Meeting, Holiday Inn,
 Gulf Coast Town Center, Fort Myers
 Nov. 18 Board of Director's Meeting
 Dec. 4 Christmas Party

SUCA

May 6 Board of Director's/General Membership
 Meetings
 May 14 Spring Golf Tournament
 June 3 Board of Director's/General Membership
 Meetings
 July 8 Board of Director's/General Membership
 Meetings (Scholarship Night)
 Aug. 5 Board of Director's/General Membership
 Meetings
 Sept. 9 Board of Director's/General Membership
 Meeting
 Sept. 16 Fish Fry, Largo Central Park
 Oct. 7 .. Board of Director's Meeting/Hall of Fame Night
 Nov. 4 Board of Director's/General Membership
 Meetings/Installation of Officers & Directors,
 Rusty Pelican
 Nov. 5 Clay Shoot, TBA
 Dec. 2 Board of Director's Meeting, Tampa Club

Dec. 4 December Banquet, Tampa Club

UCA of North Florida

May 12 Executive Committee Meeting,
 Conference Room/UCA of North Florida Office
 May 20 Board of Director's Meeting
 May 25 Annual Golf Tournament,
 Deerwood Country Club
 June 3 Bettering Your Business Luncheon Series
 June 8 Executive Committee Meeting,
 Conference Room/UCA of North Florida Office
 July 6 Executive Committee Meeting,
 Conference Room/UCA of North Florida Office
 July 15 Board of Director's Meeting
 Aug. 4 Safety Director's Forum
 Aug. 10 Executive Committee Meeting,
 Conference Room/UCA of North Florida Office
 Aug. 19 General Membership Meeting
 Sept. 7 Executive Committee Meeting,
 Conference Room/UCA of North Florida Office
 Sept. 16 Board of Director's Meeting
 Oct. (TBA) Fishing Tournament,
 Sister's Creek Marina/City of Jacksonville
 Oct. 6 Bettering Your Business Luncheon Series
 Oct. 12 Executive Committee Meeting,
 Conference Room/UCA of North Florida Office
 Nov. 3 Safety Director's Forum
 Nov. 9 Executive Committee Meeting,
 Conference Room/UCA of North Florida Office
 Nov. 18 Election of Officers Meeting
 Dec. 14 Executive Committee Meeting,
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Sunshine State One Call of Florida, Inc. (SSOCOF) Meetings

May 20 Annual, Board of Director's and Committee
 Meetings, DeBary Call Center
 May 21 Golf Tournament,
 Victoria Hills Country Club, DeLand
 June 18 Executive Committee Meeting,
 DeBary Call Center/Conference Call
 Aug. 19 Committee Meetings
 Aug. 20 Board of Director's Meeting
 Sept. 17 Executive Committee Meeting,
 DeBary Call Center/Conference Call
 Nov. 18 Committee Meetings,
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Nov. 19 Board of Director's Meeting,
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Feb. 17 Committee Meetings, DeBary Call Center
Feb. 18 Board of Director's Meeting,
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May 19 Annual, Board of Director's and Committee
Meetings, DeBary Call Center
May 20 Golf Tournament, DeLand
June 17 Executive Committee Meeting,
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Aug. 18 Committee Meetings
Aug. 19 Board of Director's Meeting
Sept. 16 Executive Committee Meeting,
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Nov. 17 Committee Meetings,
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Nov. 18 Board of Director's Meeting,
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Dec. 16 Executive Committee Meeting,
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June 9-11 Embassy Suites Orlando-North,
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Labor Day	09/06/10
Thanksgiving Day	11/25/10
Day after Thanksgiving Day	11/26/10
Christmas Eve	12/23/10
Christmas Day	12/24/10

SSOCOF's business hours are Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. **Please keep the above dates in mind when calling for locates two business days prior. The law now requires two full business days prior to digging.**



2010 FDOT Letting Dates

April 28	May 26
June 23	July 28
August 25	September 29
October 27	December 1

2011 FDOT Letting Date

January 26	February 23
March 30	April 27
May 25	June 22





Chapter News

Northwest Florida UCA

The Fifth Annual Northwest Florida UCA Golf Tournament will be held on Thursday, April 8 at Marcus Point Golf Club in Pensacola. The format is a four man scramble. For sponsorship opportunities or tournament details, please contact the chapter office at (850) 434-8328.

Over 50 members and guests were in attendance at the Membership Luncheon held on March 18 which recognized long-time contractor C. E. Chavis of Northwestern. Members as well as guests enjoyed "roasting" C.E. with their favorite stories. The chapter presented him with a mahogany clock to commemorate his retirement and the occasion.

The Underground Utility Contractors of Florida (UUCF) Board of Director's Meeting and Annual Legislative Briefing were held in Tallahassee on Monday, March 22. The chapter was represented by Joe Cook, Bill Davis, Bill Lee, Paula Lieser, Bill McGough and Michele Kelson.

On Tuesday, attendees met with members of our legislative delegation to voice concerns on specific bills and issues which will impact our industry.

UCA of North Florida

This month, we had Joe Mastanduno with John Deere as our guest speaker at our March General Meeting. Joe spoke on EPA regulations and Tier 4 Emissions. For more information, visit www.EPA.gov/nonroad_diesel/basicinfo.htm.

We had some great visits in Tallahassee with our state Representatives and Senators as well as members of their staff last month. A number of our members had lunch with Representative Van Zant at Harry's. We had one of our biggest groups ever, 10 people in total, who went on the office visits. L.T. Atwell, son of Lauren Atwell, Reynolds, Inc., also attended the meeting. If you have the opportunity to have a student go along on your visits, the legislators really like it.

This month, we are heading to the Baseball Grounds of Jacksonville to see the Jacksonville Suns take on the Mississippi Braves on Thursday, April 29. Tickets are \$22.00 for adults and \$18.00 for kids which includes a one hour "All You Can Eat" buffet of hot dogs, hamburgers, popcorn and soft drinks. Call the UCA of North Florida office at (904) 296-1230 to order your tickets.

The UCA of North Florida office has a new mailing address:

P. O. Box 16810
Jacksonville, FL 32245

Our e-mail address has also changed to: ucanf1@gmail.com. The phone and fax numbers remain unchanged. Please update your records.

Plans are already underway for our Annual Golf Tournament & Vendor Showcase to be held on Tuesday, May 25 at Deerwood Country Club. This year's Golf Chairman is Rick Erickson with Industrial Tractor Company.

The following companies have already agreed to participate in our Vendor Showcase:

- Duval Asphalt Products
- Greene-Hazel & Associates, Inc.
- Industrial Tractor Company
- MD Towing
- Mabey Bridge & Shore, Inc.
- Myers-Seth Pumps
- Service Painting
- Vermeer Southeast

We are pleased to have these companies as sponsors of our tournament:

- All Pro Asphalt, Inc.
- The Blue Book
- Bob's Barricades, Inc.
- Cecil W. Powell & Company
- Clear View Equipment Co
- Commercial Florida Realty
- Curb Systems
- Ellis & Associates, Inc.
- FCC Equipment Financing
- Fergusson Waterworks, Inc.

- J.B. Coxwell Contracting, Inc.
- Linder Industrial Machinery Co.
- Nextran
- Petticoat-Schmitt Civil Contractors, Inc.
- Pine Grove Dairy, Inc.
- Reliance Supply
- Reynolds, Inc.
- Southeast Industrial Sales (SISCO)
- Standard Precast, Inc.
- The Gibbs Group
- United Rental Trench Safety.

Please call the UCA of North Florida office for additional information about golfing, sponsoring or participating in the Vendor Showcase.

Hope everyone is making their plans to attend the NUCA's Washington Summit May 17-19 in Washington, D.C. at the Hyatt Regency Washington Capital Hill. Registration deadline for the hotel is Friday, April 23.

SSOCOF Golf Tournament

Sunshine State One Call of Florida, Inc. (SSOCOF) will be holding its Annual Golf Tournament on Friday, May 21, 2010 at the Victoria Hills Country Club in DeLand. The cost to golf is \$65.00 per person with sponsorships starting at \$150.00. Registration is at 7:30 a.m. with a continental breakfast and tee off is at 8:00 a.m. Soft spikes only and collared shirts required. No denim allowed and no personal coolers. A copy of the Registration Form is included on page 25 in this issue of the *Ditchmen*.

There are two ways to register:

1. Go to www.golfinvite.com/onecall, complete on-line form and mail check payable to SSOCOF to Accounting, 11 Plantation Road, DeBary, FL 32713.
2. Go to <http://www.callsunshine.com/images/stories/hot-topics/>





[golf_reg.pdf](#) and print out registration form. Mail form and check payable to SSOCOF to Accounting, 11 Plantation Road, DeBary, FL 32713.

For questions or additional information, please contact Brad Martin at brad.martin@mail.callsunshine.com or (800) 638-4097, ext. 2060.

Solis Announces New OSHA Enforcement Initiatives

Secretary of Labor Hilda Solis announced a number of major new OSHA enforcement initiatives during her April 14 keynote address at the National Action Summit for Latino Worker Health and Safety. OSHA currently requires that training provisions under OSHA standards be provided in a language or a form that workers can understand. OSHA further requires that its Compliance Officers check and verify that workers have received the training required by OSHA standards. The Agency will expand upon this and effective on April 28 — Workers Memorial Day — Secretary Solis explained, "OSHA will also assure that its Compliance Officers check and verify not only that the training has been provided, but that it was provided in a format that the workers being trained can understand." The Secretary also announced a new pilot program where OSHA will work with local building inspectors to assure worker safety and health protection. In construction, the four leading causes of worker deaths are falls, electrocution, being crushed or caught between and being struck. Inspectors participating in this pilot program will notify OSHA when they observe unsafe work conditions leading to these four major causes of workplace fatalities.

For additional information about OSHA, please visit www.osha.gov.

Welcome New UUCF Members **April 16, 2010**

Advanced Drainage Systems, Inc.

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American Boring & Trenching, Inc.

Brent Garland
Fort Myers, Florida
(239) 693-9900
Contractor
Chapter: Southwest Florida UCA

Bouchard Insurance, Inc.

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Southwest Aggregates

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Weber South

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Punta Gorda, Florida
(239) 543-7240
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Chapter: Southwest Florida UCA





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August 6, 2010

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Lakeland Public Library
100 Lake Morton Drive
Lakeland, FL 33801

August 10, 2010

Pensacola
West Florida Regional Library
200 West Gregory Street
Pensacola, FL 32501

August 12, 2010

Orlando
State Office Building, Hurston Complex
400 West Robinson Street, South Tower, Conference Room A & B
Orlando, FL 32801

August 13, 2010

West Palm Beach
Central Career Center
1951 North Military Trail, Suite D
West Palm Beach, FL 33409

August 18, 2010

Jacksonville
Florida Dept of Law Enforcement
921 North Davis Street, Building E
Jacksonville, FL 32209

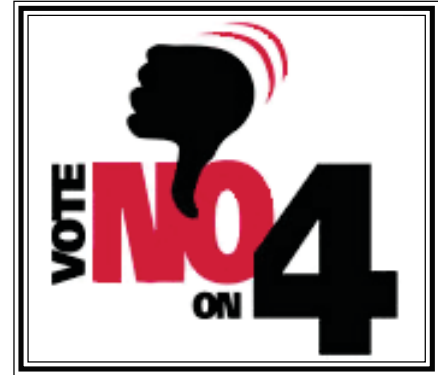
August 20, 2010

Tallahassee
Southwood Complex, Betty Easley Conference Center
4075 Esplanade Way, Room 180
Tallahassee, FL 32399

The Division of Workers' Compensation is an authorized provider (Provider Number: 0004354) for continuing education purposes through the CILB. Course Number: 0010118 – one hour

satisfies the Workers' Compensation requirement and Course Number: 0010630 – one hour satisfies the Workplace Safety requirement.

Advanced registration is required. The form is available on the Division's website at www.myfloridacfo.com/WC. For additional information, e-mail bocseminars@MyFloridaCFO.com, call (813) 221-6518 or Fax (813) 233-3742.



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2010 Golf Tournament

May 21, 2010

Victoria Hills Country Club | 300 Spalding Way, DeLand, FL



COST

\$65 per person

Sponsorships beginning at \$150 (see details below)

TIMES

7:30 a.m. Registration, continental breakfast

8:00 a.m. Tee Off

RULES

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Two ways to register - payment must be received before player can golf

1. www.golfinvite.com/onecall - send check payable to Sunshine State One Call to Accounting, 11 Plantation Road, DeBary, FL 32713
2. Send form below and check payable to Sunshine State One Call to Accounting, 11 Plantation Road, DeBary, FL 32713

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