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# UUCF Schedules Three-Day President's Cup Golf Tournament at PGA National in Palm Beach Gardens

Come and enjoy three wonderful days and two nights at the PGA National in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida on October 1-3. You will enjoy three fun-filled days of golfing on three different 18 hole courses. Participants will have the opportunity to play on the Palmer Course on Friday, Champion course on Saturday and Squire course on Sunday. A different tournament will be held on each course. The format will be a two-man scramble, two-man best ball and two-man alternate shot. All tournaments will be handicapped so everyone will have an equal opportunity to win.

Mike Woodall with John Woody, Inc. is chairing this year's tournament. A portion of the proceeds from this year's tournament will benefit the UUCF Legal Defense Fund.

**Palmer Course** – Named after its designer, Arnold Palmer, this course is one of the more forgiving at PGA National from tee to fairway and known as a risk reward course. The open fairways and larger "Champion Bermuda" greens can be quite accommodating and invite players to take a chance if they dare as golfers are not overly penalized for missing the fairway or primary rough on most holes. There is a considerable amount of undulation through the fairway presenting the opportunity for uneven lies and creative shot making. The Palmer has a great series of finishing holes, with the 18th being one of the most scenic and picturesque par 5's on the property.

**Champion Course** – Originally designed by Tom and George Fazio for major tournament play, The Champion course at PGA National



Resort & Spa was redesigned by Jack Nicklaus in 1990 and now hosts the Honda Classic each March on the PGA TOUR. Although The Champion has generous landing areas and spacious and accepting tif-eagle greens, golfers are presented with course management challenges throughout the round. This South Florida golf resort course has five sets of tees to make the course more playable for golfers of



all levels. A "must play" stop on any avid golfer's list, The Champion features "The Bear Trap," which spans three demanding holes designed by Jack Nicklaus. Considered one of Florida's most notable golf challenges, USA Today calls The Bear Trap "one of the toughest stretches in golf."

**Squire Course** – Named after the immortal Gene Sarazen, the first golfer ever to win the professional Grand Slam, "the thinking man's course" is the ultimate test of accuracy and precision. Designed by Tom and George Fazio, the Squire is the shortest and the most exacting of the courses at PGA National Resort & Spa. Accuracy with fairway woods

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and long irons is tested on many tees and the new smaller "Emerald Bermuda" greens demand precise approach shots. Several doglegs provide a risk reward opportunity for any longer hitter as well. The Squire is surrounded by natural environmental areas and teeming with native vegetation, which attracts an abundance of wildlife. The 5th hole even runs along part of the wilderness preserve, which borders the west side of the PGA National community.

The entry fee for the three-day tournament is only \$565.00 per player. The entry fee includes three rounds of golf for the tournament, two nights' accommodation, breakfast on Saturday and Sunday, \$30.00 dinner voucher for Friday and Saturday, one free mulligan for each day (option to purchase additional mulligans will be available), skins game on Friday and Saturday and beverages on the course during tournament play. A Hospitality Suite will be available for your enjoyment.

UUCF is also selling the Survival Kit. Included in the package are: **Friday:** three mulligans, putting contest and ball in the circle contest; **Saturday:** three mulligans, two throws, putting contest, ball in the circle contest and Hole in One Contest; and **Sunday:** three mulligans, two throws, putting contest and ball in the circle contest. If the above items were purchased

separately, it would cost \$185.00. However, for golfers who purchase the Survival Kit prior to the first day of the tournament, the cost is only \$175.00. Golfers may also participate in the optional skins game on Sunday at a cost of \$50.00 per team.

There will be great prizes (first and second place each day), optional purchase of the skins game on Sunday and a lot of fun. There will also be prizes for Longest Drive and Closest to the Pin. We will also be holding a putting contest each day.

The tournament is open to the first 60 teams. Hurry and mail your entry fee along with the registration form as soon as possible. Sleeping accommodations consist of two people per one bedroom (two double beds).

UUCF is now accepting sponsorships for the President's Cup Golf Tournament. The following is a list of the various sponsorship programs:

- **Hospitality Suite Exclusive Sponsor** at \$1,000.00 (one slot only available). (Sponsor will be recognized on signage located in the Hospitality Suite throughout the tournament. Hospitality Suite sponsor will also be permitted to display their company's promotional items in the Hospitality Suite throughout the

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To obtain the UUCF President's Cup Golf Tournament Registration or Sponsorship form, please see pages 10 and 11 in this issue of the *Ditchmen* or visit the UUCF website at [www.uucf.com](http://www.uucf.com). If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact the UUCF office at (407) 830-1880.

Hope to see you all at the UUCF President's Cup Golf Tournament on October 1-3 at PGA National in Palm Beach Gardens.



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**J**uly 23–25, 2010 at the Gaylord Palms Resort & Convention Center in Kissimmee was the site of this year's Underground Utility Contractors of Florida (UUCF) 30th Anniversary Convention. We are grateful for the overwhelming support of our sponsors and the enthusiastic participation of our members and guests in this year's convention.

There are many people to recognize and thank for this year's convention. First and foremost – the contractor's "partners" who are needed not just at convention, but year round – our associate members. Contractors need their equipment, materials and services so they can do the job of building Florida's infrastructure. This time of year, the same companies

the contractors rely on every day in their business step forward to support the association's goal of improving our industry . . . and for that, we are greatly appreciative.

Throughout this article, we will recognize all of our great sponsors. A special thanks to our **Platinum Sponsors: CNA Insurance; Nortrax; and Sunshine State One Call of Florida, Inc.**, whose early commitment helped make this year's convention so successful.

UUCF would also like to take this opportunity to thank the **Gold Sponsors**. They are: **Glenn Rasmussen Fogarty & Hooker, P.A.; ITT Water & Wastewater Florida, LLC; Linder Industrial Machinery Company; Pensacola**

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Finally, this grand convention would not have been possible without the hard work of this year's Convention Committee: Flo Woodall, Chairperson; Larry Falls; Paula Lieser; and Chris Stewart. We also would like to thank the Chapter Executive Directors and UUCF Staff for their hard work: Kathy Blackman; Sharon Fugatt; Michele Kelson; Misty McKendree; and UUCF staff Bruce Kershner, Julie Kershner and Tresa Crocker. Each one is to be commended for the many hours worked, creativity and team work. We couldn't have done it without them.

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registration package at the convention, each couple (or individual if they did not bring a spouse/guest) was given an empty GOTTA bag. Attendees were instructed to put things in the GOTTA bag and carry with them while at the convention.

UUCF assigned Flo Woodall, Kathy Blackman, Julie Kershner and Tresa Crocker to walk throughout the hotel. If they spotted an attendee with the GOTTA bag, they were approached and asked to pull a piece of paper from their bag. The piece of paper read, "GOTTA (i.e., blue ink pen)?" If the attendee pulled (i.e., a blue ink pen) out of their GOTTA bag, then they were given a ticket.

Attendees accumulated as many tickets as possible throughout the convention. On Saturday night, tickets were pulled for prizes.

For those who did not carry the GOTTA bag, Flo Woodall, Kathy Blackman, Julie Kershner and Tresa Crocker walked throughout the hotel asking attendees trivia questions. For every trivia question the attendee answered correctly, they were given a ticket.

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Throughout the convention, UUCF held a Lucky 30 Drawing in celebration of our 30th Anniversary.

The Lucky 30 Drawing was where UUCF placed the numbers of 1 through 30 on shells. Attendees at the Convention pulled a shell from the bowl. Whatever number was printed on the shell was the cost of the Lucky 30 Drawing (i.e., if the number 30 was pulled, the individual would pay \$30.00). The Lucky 30 Drawing was so successful that two sets of 30 were drawn. All individuals held onto their shell(s) as it was their ticket(s) for the Lucky 30

Drawing which was held on Saturday night.

Half of the proceeds from the Lucky 30 Drawing collected went to the association, and the other half of the proceeds went to the winner.

A special treat provided to the attendee this year was a collection of past year's conventions in photo albums, slide shows and some videos. Photos were from the 1991 Convention to present. All of these items were taken to the Saturday night dinner for individuals to continue to reminisce about past year conventions. What a delightful treat.

Special thanks to **Glenn Rasmussen Fogarty & Hooker, P.A.** for sponsoring the Hospitality Room on Friday, July 23 and Saturday, July 24, 2010. The Hospitality Room gave the attendees a place to relax, socialize, bid on the Silent Auction items and purchase Lucky 30 shells. This year in the hospitality room, Nortrax provided a simulator where attendees had the chance to run an excavator.

Friday, July 23, marked the start of the convention with the UUCF Executive Committee and Board of Director's Meetings. Many issues were discussed.

On Friday afternoon, a Round Table Discussion, sponsored in part by **Petticoat-Schmitt Civil Contractors, Inc.**, was held. The biggest topic of discussion was Amendment 4.

Friday evening, the Welcome Cocktail Reception, **sponsored in part by Ferguson Waterworks, Inc.; HD Supply Waterworks; Ring Power Corporation; and Utility Service Company, Inc.**, was held. During the Welcome Cocktail Reception, Flo Woodall welcomed everybody to the 2010 Convention. Bruce Wendorf addressed the members with issues that NUCA is working on as well as the 2011 Expo which he is chairing.

Bruce Kershner also installed the UUCF 2010/2011 Officers and Directors. UUCF is proud to have the following Officers for 2010/2011: **President** – Bill Lee, Utility Service Company; **President Elect** – Bruce Wendorf, Forsberg Construction, Inc.; **Vice President** – Mike Woodall, John Woody, Inc.; **Vice President Convention** – Flo Woodall, John Woody, Inc.; **Treasurer** – Kirk Richmond, Armadillo Underground; and **Secretary** – Ken Wachman, Michael James Developers, Inc.

The following is a list of the 2010/2011 Directors: **District 2:** JR Everly, Sock it Dewatering. **Northwest Florida UCA:** Joe Cook, Pensacola Concrete Construction Co., Inc.; Paula Lieser, Pensacola Concrete Construction Co., Inc.; Bill McGough, Gulf Equipment Corp.; and Alternate Bill Davis, HD Supply Waterworks. **Southwest Florida UCA:** Chris Stewart, ITT Water & Wastewater, LLC; and Alternate Tim Wise, Gulf Coast Underground, Inc. **SUCA:** Larry Falls, Associated Construction Products, Inc.; and Bill Haan, Westra Construction Corporation. **UCA of North Florida:** Lauren Atwell, Reynolds, Inc.; and Ryan Schmitt, Petticoat-Schmitt Civil Contractors, Inc. **Ex Officios:** Scott Johnson, Johnson-Davis, Inc.

On Saturday at 2:00 p.m., a putting contest was held at the mini putt-putt course at the hotel. Individuals who hit par on each hole were given a ticket for entry into the drawing which would be held that evening.

Saturday evening began with the Dinner Party Reception, **sponsored in part by Forsberg Construction, Inc.; and Johnson-Davis, Inc.**

The Saturday Dinner Party, **sponsored in part by HD Supply Waterworks, John Woody, Inc.; Utility Service Company, Inc.; and Valenti, Trobec & Woody, Inc.**, was a business casual affair.





Bill Lee presented the 2010 UUCF Construction Performance Awards for the *Mitch Ellington, Gary D. Sawyer and Andrew J. Mayts Awards*. The winners were: **Mitch Ellington Award** – Lauren T. Atwell of Reynolds, Inc. **Gary D. Sawyer Award** – Anthony "Tony" B. Zebouni of Regan, Zebouni & Walker, P.A., Attorney. **Andrew J. Mayts Award** – Kirk Richmond, Armadillo Underground.

Bruce Kershner, UUCF Executive Vice President, announced the recipient of the UUCF/Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Scholarship Foundation. The \$6,000 scholarship to an individual currently enrolled in high school was presented to **Timothy "Tim" James Noble**. Tim is the son of Garth Noble, who is employed by Raymow Construction Company, Inc. in Oldsmar, FL, and Caroline Noble.

Please see details of Tim Noble and other recipients of Meritorious

Scholarships from the UUCF/ASJMSF on Page 16 in this issue of the *Ditchmen*.

The winner of the Lucky 30 Drawing was pulled. Elaine Kirkland, wife of John Kirkland of A. J. Johns, Inc. was the winner of \$465.00. Congratulations Elaine.

Again, UUCF would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the Platinum, Gold and Silver Sponsors. We would also like to thank the following sponsors and contributors:

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Mark your calendar now for next year's Convention which will be held on July 21–24 at the Casa Marina Resort in Key West, Florida. UUCF held its 1999 convention at this same location and had a record turnout. We also look forward to the Return of the Pink Flamingo. The 2011 Convention Chairperson is Flo Woodall with John Woody, Inc. Hope to see you all next year.

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The entry fee for the three-day tournament is only \$565.00 per player. The entry fee includes three rounds of golf for the tournament, two nights' accommodations, breakfast on Saturday and Sunday morning, a \$30.00 dinner voucher for Friday and Saturday evening, one free mulligan for each day (option to purchase additional mulligans will be available), skins game on Friday and Saturday and beverages on the course during tournament play. There will be great prizes (first and second place each day), optional purchase of skins game on Sunday and a lot of fun. There will also be prizes for Longest Drive and Closest to the Pin. We will also be holding a putting contest each day. A HOSPITALITY SUITE will be available for your enjoyment and a location to turn in your score cards each day.

**The tournament is open to the first 60 teams.** So, hurry and mail your entry fee of \$565.00 per player along with this registration form to the UUCF office. Please make sure you write in your handicap and smoking preference as well as your partners. All handicaps will be checked. Sleeping accommodations consist of two people per a one bedroom suite (two double beds). Dress code for men is collared shirts not less than quarter length sleeves, shorts will have pockets. Cut-offs, jogging shorts, swimwear, jeans or T-Shirts/Tank tops are not allowed. Women may wear dresses, skirts, culottes, slacks and proper shorts, no jeans or cut-offs. Blouses and shirts must be of customary nature, no T-Shirts. Soft spikes are required on all courses.

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Name of person completing registration form: \_\_\_\_\_  
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City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
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Please complete and return this registration form along with payment to the UUCF office **no later than September 1, 2010**. Please make checks payable to UUCF and mail to: 231 West Bay Avenue, Longwood, FL 32750-4125. Cancellations after September 1, 2010 and no shows will not be eligible to receive a refund. Registrations will be taken after September 1, 2010 if space is available. If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact the UUCF office at (407) 830-1880 or FAX at (407) 260-1582.



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# UUCF Presents 2010 Construction Performance Awards

Each year, UUCF presents its Construction Performance Awards at the Annual Convention. Each chapter submits the name of a contractor and associate member. The *Mitch Ellington* and *Gary D. Sawyer Awards* honor outstanding individuals who have made significant contributions (on the local level and continue on to the state level) to the industry and/or association. These contributions can be in any area that results in benefits, progress, achievement or recognition for our association or industry and must have local and/or state impact. The *Andrew J. Mayts Award* is presented annually to a UUCF board member who has made a significant contribution, on the state level, to the industry and/or association. The recipient is selected by the current UUCF president.

Bill Lee presented the 2010 UUCF Construction Performance Awards for the *Mitch Ellington*, *Gary D. Sawyer* and *Andrew J. Mayts Awards* on Saturday, July 24 at the UUCF 2010 Convention.

The recipient of the ***Mitch Ellington Award*** was Lauren T. Atwell. Lauren was, and still is, employed by Reynolds, Inc. in 2006 as District Manager. He has been an active board member of UCA of North Florida since 2006 and was President of the association in 2009. Under his leadership, UCA of North Florida had some of its most well attended meetings. Meetings were held on Economic Stimulus Funds for Projects, Upcoming Projects with JEA and the City of Jacksonville.

Lauren, along with the Education Committee, developed a Project Scheduling Course that was offered to the members for a nominal fee. The chapter gained six new members last year with his efforts. He has served on the Fishing Committee since 2007 and has been instrumental in recruiting sponsors for this event. He also helped out with the Golf Tournament this year with sponsors and vendor showcase participants. This year, Lauren took on the role of Chairman of the Meetings and Programs committee. He also serves as Past President of the Executive Committee.

Lauren attended the NUCA

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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.

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## President's Message



Thanks for a job well done to everyone who helped put together this year's convention. Every

comment I heard was complimentary and each comment started with how awesome the Gaylord Palms Resort & Convention Center was! Everyone, including myself, could not believe how spectacular the Everglades, St. Augustine and Key West areas were. Several people said it was like being in the air conditioned outdoors.

I would like to thank the sponsors; each one gave generously. Without them, we would have had a tough time putting the convention on. Also, thank you to the members and families who attended. It was really good to see everyone.



In this time of big government, we are proud to be able to succeed as small businesses. Even surviving through all these hard times is a struggle for everyone. As contractors, suppliers and friends, it is good to get together to offer support and encouragement to one another.

As an optimistic association, we are looking forward to sunnier times and to next year's convention in Key West. So, get your floppy floppies ready for a Key West good time!

Don't forget about the UUCF President's Cup Golf Tournament

which is scheduled for October 1-3 at the PGA National Resort & Spa in Palm Beach Gardens. Chairman Mike Woodall is in the process of soliciting sponsorships for this event. A Sponsorship and Registration form can be found in this issue of the Ditchmen on pages 10 and 11 or go to the UUCF website at [www.uucf.com](http://www.uucf.com) and click on President's Cup Golf Tournament. A portion of the proceeds benefit the UUCF Legal Defense Fund.

*Sincerely,*

*Bill Lee  
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# UUCF/Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Scholarship Foundation 2010 Scholarship Winners Announced

**D**uring the Underground Utility Contractors of Florida (UUCF) 2010 Annual Convention at the Gaylord Palms Resort & Convention Center in Kissimmee, Florida, the UUCF/Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Scholarship Foundation, Inc. announced the 2010 recipient of a \$6,000.00 scholarship to an individual who graduated from high school in 2010, recipient of a \$6,000.00 scholarship to an individual who is currently enrolled in college and its Meritorious Award winners of a \$2,500.00 scholarship.

Prior to 2010, the UUCF/Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Scholarship

Foundation, Inc. has awarded \$155,500.00 in scholarships. In addition to the \$12,000.00 scholarships, the trustees elected to distribute an additional \$10,000.00 in Meritorious Scholarships for a total distribution of \$22,000.00. As of this year, we have awarded a total of \$177,500.00 in scholarships since the inception in 2000.

The recipient must be an employee of and/or an immediate family member employed by a company that is a member in good standing with UUCF. The committee based its decision on the applicant's scholastic standing, ACT and/or SAT

scores, extracurricular activities, community service, work experience, letters of reference and a 500-word essay.

**The following was the recipient of the \$6,000.00 one time High School Scholarship:**

The UUCF/Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Scholarship Foundation, Inc. is proud to announce the 2010 recipient of the \$6,000.00 scholarship to an individual who graduated from high school in 2010, Timothy "Tim" James Noble. Tim is

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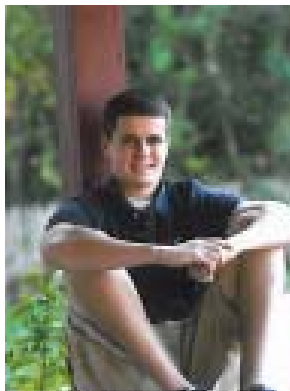
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the son of Garth Noble, who is employed by Raymow Construction Company, Inc. in Oldsmar, FL, and Caroline

Noble. Tim graduated from Sunlake High School in 2010 with a 3.7790 grade point average. Tim recently started summer classes at Florida State University where his intended course of study is Criminology and intended career plans is Federal Investigation.

Tim was on the National Honor Society for three years, Class of 2010 Leadership Club for four years and was awarded the Top Ten Volunteer in 2008 and 2009. He played varsity baseball for three years and received the Coaches Award in 2008.

Through his church, he has traveled to Oklahoma to build a church for the Cherokee National Reservation where he assisted with the framing, drywall and roofing; traveled to Mississippi to help rebuild the community after Hurricane Katrina where he helped with framework, roofing and drywall as well as spoke with survivors and listened to their stories; and volunteered yearly at the Sports Camp which was a week long event as a Teen Leader.

The UUCF/Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Scholarship Foundation, Inc. would like to congratulate Tim for his hard work and wish him luck in his future endeavors.

**of the \$6,000.00  
one time College  
Scholarship:**

**Mark "Tommy" McCabe** graduated from Cardinal Mooney High School in 2007. Tommy is the son of Mark and Kim McCabe with C & M Road Builders, Inc. in Sarasota, FL. Tommy was a recipient of a 2007, 2008 and 2009 Scholarship. Tommy has been attending Bucknell University where his intended course of study is economics and finance. His intended career plans are in business and infrastructure engineering



management. His declared major is in Economics and Political Science.

The UUCF/Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Scholarship Foundation, Inc. would like to congratulate Tommy for his hard work and wish him luck in his future endeavors.

**The following were recipients of  
a \$2,500.00 one time  
Meritorious Scholarship:**

**Sarah Maureen Cannon** graduated from Lake Brantley High School in 2009. Sarah is the daughter of Mike Cannon, who is employed by Reynolds Inliner, Inc. in Longwood, FL, and Mary Cannon. Sarah was the recipient of the 2009 High School scholarship. Sarah is attending Vanderbilt University where her intended course of study is computer science and math. Her intended career plans are in software engineer, computer science or cryptographer. Her declared major is in computer science and math.

**Caroline Frances Castille** graduated from Lyman High School

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in 2010. Caroline is the daughter of Lloyd and Maureen Castille of Castille Company, Inc. in Maitland, FL. Caroline is attending the University of Florida where her intended course of study is business.

**Kristina Barbara Runyan** graduated from Wiregrass Ranch High School in 2010. Kristina is the daughter of David Runyan of Florida Gas & Electric Corp. in Land O'Lakes and Michele Runyan. Kristina is attending Florida Gulf Coast University where her intended course of study is nursing. Her intended career path is to become a registered nurse specializing in pediatrics.

**Austin Taylor Wynn** graduated from Trinity Christian Academy in Jacksonville, FL in 2009. Austin is the son of Donald Wynn, who is employed by Florida Roads Materials, LLC in Jacksonville, FL, and Sandy Wynn. Austin was a recipient of a 2009 Meritorious Scholarship. Austin is attending the

**The following was the recipient**

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# Calendar of Events

## UUCF

Oct. 1-3 ..... President's Cup Golf Tournament,  
PGA National Resort & Spa, Palm Beach Gardens  
Nov. 5 ..... Board of Director's Meeting, Orlando

## Northwest Florida UCA

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

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

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

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,  
Conference Room/UCA of North Florida Office

## NUCA 2010

Oct. 14-15 ..... Board of Directors Meeting,  
Chicago Marriott O'Hare, Chicago, IL

## 2011

Jan. 18-21 ..... Expo '11, The Executive Experience,  
The El Conquistador Resort, Las Croabas, Puerto Rico

## Sunshine State One Call of Florida, Inc. (SSOCOF) Meetings 2010

Sept. 17 ..... Executive Committee Meeting,  
DeBary Call Center/Conference Call  
Nov. 18 ..... Committee Meetings,  
DeBary Call Center  
Nov. 19 ..... Board of Director's Meeting,  
DeBary Call Center  
Dec. 17 ..... Executive Committee Meeting,  
DeBary Call Center/Conference Call

## 2011

Feb. 17 ..... Committee Meetings, DeBary Call Center  
Feb. 18 ..... Board of Director's Meeting,  
DeBary Call Center  
Mar. 18 ..... Executive Committee Meeting,  
DeBary Call Center/Conference Call  
May 19 ..... Annual, Board of Director's and Committee  
Meetings, DeBary Call Center  
May 20 ..... Golf Tournament, DeLand  
June 17 ..... Executive Committee Meeting,  
DeBary Call Center/Conference Call  
Aug. 18 ..... Committee Meetings  
Aug. 19 ..... Board of Director's Meeting  
Sept. 16 ..... Executive Committee Meeting,  
DeBary Call Center/Conference Call  
Nov. 17 ..... Committee Meetings,  
DeBary Call Center  
Nov. 18 ..... Board of Director's Meeting,  
DeBary Call Center  
Dec. 16 ..... Executive Committee Meeting,  
DeBary Call Center/Conference Call

## Construction Industry Licensing Board Meetings

Sept. 8-10 ..... Grand Bohemian Hotel, Orlando  
Oct. 13-15 ..... Doubletree Hotel, Tampa Westshore  
Airport, Tampa  
Nov. 10-12 ..... Embassy Suites Orlando-North,  
Altamonte Springs







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Convention in 2009 and 2010. He attended the Washington Summit in 2009. Lauren has also participated in the PAC and the Treatment Plant Forum for the past two years.

Lauren serves on the UUCF Board of Directors and has attended the Tallahassee visits for the past two years.

Lauren is committed to the local, state and national chapters as well as the construction industry. He has a vast amount of experience and knowledge and has been an asset to our organizations.

UUCF is proud to present this year's **Mitch Ellington Award** to **Lauren T. Atwell**.

The recipient of the **Gary D. Sawyer Award** was Anthony "Tony" B. Zebouni who practices construction law, municipal law and commercial litigation and is AV rated, the highest rating awarded to attorneys by Martindale Hubbell. Tony is employed by Regan, Zebouni & Walker, P.A., Attorney. He has been an active member of UCA of North Florida since 2006 and served on the board since 2007. He has served on the Legislative Committee since 2007 and has chaired the committee since 2008, has served on the Executive Committee since 2009, was on the Programs Committee in 2008, was on the Education Committee in 2008 and was on the Contracts & Specification Committee in 2008.

In 2008, the chapter held an event titled "Contractors Building A Better America" A Candidates Forum. This event was the brain child of Tony. He invited other associations to join the chapter as co-hosts, and they accepted. Candidates for local, state and federal offices were invited to attend. Over 40 candidates registered to attend with 37 candidates actually in attendance for all or part of the event.

Tony has been instrumental in helping the chapter to develop relationships with the Duval Legislative Delegation. Because of his past job with the City of Jacksonville, he either served in the past as their city's attorney for some of the candidates when they served on the city council or had a personal relationship with the candidates, Tony has been able to open doors for the chapter and schedule meetings. This was critical in 2009 as almost the entire Duval Delegation was newly elected.

Tony proposed the Adopt-A-Legislator program to the chapter's board. The program involves various members

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**Sunshine State One Call of  
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2010 Holiday Calendar**

|                                  |          |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| 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 |

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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

Northwest Florida UCA will hold an After Hours Event on August 19 from 5:00 pm. to 7:00 pm. at the Fish House's Deck Bar. Event sponsors are: Brown Construction, Gulf Equipment, Kelson Electric, Molton, Allen & Williams, Pensacola Concrete and Utility Service. In addition to the members and usual guests, we will be extending invitations to the candidates for ECUA District 2 and 4 and County Commission District 2 and 4. We promise — no speeches — just an opportunity to meet and greet one on one. As always, the event is free, but reservations are a must! Please RSVP to the Northwest Florida UCA office no later than noon on Friday, August 13 via e-mail to [nwfluca@aol.com](mailto:nwfluca@aol.com) or call (850) 434-8328.

### Southwest Florida UCA

The Southwest Florida Utility Contractors Association held their Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament on Saturday, May 15 at the beautiful Crown Colony Golf & Country Club in Fort Myers. All through the years and even during these difficult economic times for all of us, it is very heartwarming to see the extremely generous support of the Southwest Florida UCA members for this tournament. We had 100 players this year, and it was a beautiful and fun day for all.

Our association is extremely fortunate to have Pres Bliss as our Golf Tournament Chairman and a great committee. We would like to give Pres a special "thank you" as he has worked hard for many years and is very dedicated to the success of this tournament as proceeds go toward providing scholarships to Southwest Florida UCA members and their families. This tournament would not be possible without the support of our many sponsors. Thank you to the following: **Major Sponsors:** Ajax Paving; B.J. Enterprises; B & J Linings; Dave Foote Environmental; ITT Flygt; Mainline Supply; Nortrax

Equipment; Oldcastle Precast; and Sewer Viewer. **Green Sponsors:** Armadillo Underground; Brouhard Insurance; Cast Systems; Darryl Equipment; F.J. Nugent; Ferguson Waterworks; Guymann Construction; HD Supply Waterworks; Jensen Underground; Mader Electric Motors; MWI Pump Rentals; Premier Insurance; Stevens & Layton; Strickler Brothers; and Total Shipping Solutions. **Tee Sponsors:** All Star Equipment; Boyd Irrigation; Cast Systems; Cemex; Darryl Equipment; Denco Construction; Ferguson Waterworks; Forsberg Construction; Haskins; J.P. Murphy; Kelly Tractor; McWane Pipe; MWI Pump Rentals; Oldcastle Precast; Zervous Group; and U.S. Precast. **Closest to Pin:** Kelly Tractor; Linder Industrial Machinery; and Pavement Maintenance, Inc. **Longest Drive:** Rinker Materials, Concrete Pipe Div. **Straightest Drive:** Linder Industrial Machinery. **Shot Hole Sponsor:** ITT Flygt.

Congratulations to the 2010 Winners: **Gross Scores: First Place** – Team APAC Southeast (48.9). **Second Place** – Team Mader Electric Motors (50.8). **Third Place** – Team Pavement Maintenance Inc.(52.1). **Net Scores: First Place** – Team Cougar Contracting/C.W. Roberts (49.0). **Second Place** – Team Cemex (51.2). **Third Place** – Team Curb Systems/All Pro (51.8).

We are proud to announce that the Southwest Florida Utility Contractors Association has been awarding scholarships to members and their families since 1991 and has given away over \$100,000 to deserving students. Scholarship amounts are based on proceeds from our annual scholarship golf tournament held in the spring. Southwest Florida UCA awards scholarships to students who have demonstrated outstanding achievements in academics, extracurricular activities and community involvement. Jerry Haas has been the Scholarship Committee Chairperson since this program

began, and we would like to thank him for all of his hard work and all the hours that he spends to chair this program each year. There were a total of five judges and all said that this year's applications were very impressive and pretty much the toughest to judge since the scholarship program began. In all aspects, the top three applicant's scores were a virtual tie and for that reason it was decided to equally present each winner with a \$1,000.00 Scholarship Award.

Scholarships were awarded at the July 15 Membership Dinner Meeting at The Holiday Inn, Gulf Coast Town Center. Our members were very happy to attend this meeting and be able to assist these deserving winners with their college careers. Congratulations to the following students and their families.

The first Scholarship Award recipient is Rachel McFalls. Rachel is the daughter of Mark and Diane McFalls with Ferguson Waterworks. Rachel tested extremely high on a special state test offered to her and that allowed her to attend Florida Gulf Coast University during what was supposed to be her senior year of high school. Upon completing her freshman year at FGCU with a 4.0, she was awarded her high school diploma from Cypress Lake High School in Fort Myers without ever actually attending. She will be entering FGCU this fall as a full time sophomore. She is currently majoring in Political Science. After graduation, she intends to pursue a career as a campaign manager. She plans to start locally, but one day, hopes to manage a presidential election.

The next Scholarship Award recipient is Sarah Neubert. Sarah is the daughter of Bob and Karen Neubert, Neubert Construction. Sarah attends the University of Florida and will be entering her junior year this fall with a 3.6 GPA. She is currently majoring in nursing, with a minor in business. Her goal is to eventually become a Pediatric Nurse





Practitioner upon completion of her Bachelors Degree in Nursing.

The next Scholarship Award recipient is Jacquelyn Neal. Jacquelyn is the daughter of L.D. and Lynne Neal with Mitchell & Stark Construction. Jacquelyn attends the University of Florida and will be entering her junior year this fall with a 3.64 GPA. She is currently specializing in Biological Engineering and minoring in Biomechanics in order to apply to graduate school for Biomedical Engineering. She hopes to work for a medical company in order to develop safe products for the medical industry.

We also would like to thank our special guest and speaker Bruce Kershner for attending and being a part of this special occasion. All in attendance received and shared information pertaining to our industry on a local and state level.

NUCA announced that the Southwest Florida Utility Contractors Association is the winner of the 2009 National Utility Contractors Association Chapter Award of Excellence in the Special Events Category for our Scholarship Golf Tournament. A team of four different outside judges, judge all national entries objectively based on innovation, creativity, degree of success, accomplishment, impact on the community, professional enhancement and development. We again are grateful to all of our members and associates for supporting this worthwhile event and thank Pres Bliss, our longtime Southwest Florida UCA Golf Tournament Chairman, for the success of this tournament for so many years.

You don't want to miss our next great event! The 2010 Southwest Florida UCA Fishing Tournament which will be held on September 17-19 at the 'Tween Waters Inn on Captiva Island. This family event is extremely popular with our association and others in our industry and is rated "The best place to be!" You're invited to fish, relax, get

some sun, have some fun – shouldn't every day be this good? All registration, calcutta and sponsorship forms and more info will be out soon and will also be available at [www.swfuca.com](http://www.swfuca.com). Don't forget to go ahead and make your room reservations at the "Tween Waters and reserve your boat slip if needed. You can visit [www.tweenwaters.com](http://www.tweenwaters.com) or call them at (239) 472-5161.

### **SUCA**

SUCA's July 8 Membership Meeting at the Columbia Restaurant was Scholarship Night where we proudly awarded scholarships to the children of our SUCA members. This year's \$4,000.00 scholarship recipient was Breeanna Hafeli, daughter of Vince Hafeli of Ajax Paving Industries of FL. Breeanna graduated 15th in her class of 438 from Venice High School with a 4.63 weighted GPA! Breeanna is currently attending the University of Florida. Congratulations to the Hafeli family, and we wish Breeanna the very best in her college career!

SUCA's 2009 scholarship winner, Caitlin Forshier, daughter of Nathan and Colleen Forshier of Wallace, Welch & Willingham, Inc., attended and updated our membership on her studies as she received her second installment check.

Our 2008 scholarship recipient, Amber Danielecki, was unable to attend, as she participated in a study abroad program this summer. Amber's parents, Mark and Penny Danielecki of Raymow Construction Company, attended on Amber's behalf and accepted Amber's third scholarship installment check. Amber also created a short video, complete with bloopers, to share with our members.

SUCA's annual golf tournaments fund the scholarship program which has given out a total of \$90,500 to children of SUCA members since 1989. Special thanks to the 2010 Scholarship Committee members; Chairperson Linda Shutt of David Nelson Construction Co., Jack Neu of Nielson, Wojtowicz, Neu &

Associates and Ron Sherwood of Service Pump & Compressor.

SUCA's Annual Fish Fry will again be held at Largo Central Park on Thursday, September 16, 2010 from 11:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. This ever popular event draws over 300 people year after year for seafood cooked on-site and a chance to make those important business contacts over lunch. Ten tickets will be mailed out to each member firm by late August. Please remember to return any unwanted tickets to the SUCA office by September 10. Ticket price is \$12.00 per person and includes two kinds of fish, hush puppies, grits, cole slaw and peach cobbler.

SUCA's Nominating Committee is currently working on our leadership for 2011. If you are interested in serving on SUCA's Board of Directors or in serving on a committee, please e-mail the SUCA office of your interest at [mtjader@suca.org](mailto:mtjader@suca.org).

SUCA's Awards Committee is currently accepting nominations for SUCA Hall of Fame inductees. Every four or five years, a few extremely important members to the association are inducted into the Hall of Fame. This year, Hall of Fame Night will be held October 7 at the Tampa Club. Please mark your calendars now and plan to attend this important association event. Deadline for nominations is August 27, 2010.

The October membership meeting will also be SUCA's Annual Meeting & Elections. It's during this meeting

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that members elect association leadership for 2011. Members will receive their proposed slate of officers and directors in September.

SUCA's political action committee (SUCA PAC) is in full swing for this election year. Board members have been busy delivering contributions to local candidates. As always, encourage your employees to register to vote. Remind them that they can vote by absentee ballot if they cannot make it to the polls. They can request ballot information from their local supervisor of elections office.

SUCA's Membership Committee, chaired by Ken Wachman, is currently promoting the half year dues promotion. This is a great time to have a prospective member who may not be sure about joining the association to try membership for six months at half price. Please contact the SUCA office for more information. Remember, you will

receive \$50.00 for each new member you sponsor!

SUCA, in conjunction with CNA Insurance, hosted an Excavation Safety (NUCA Certification) Seminar free of charge to members on Saturday, July 10, 2010 at Ring Power Corporation's training facility in Riverview.

Mark your calendars now for SUCA's Annual Installation Banquet on Saturday, December 4, 2010 at the beautiful Tampa Club. Information on rooms will be out to the membership shortly.

Lastly, we would like to offer our very deepest sympathy to the family and many friends of Lindy "Skip" Bowen who passed away on July 17, 2010. Skip was involved in the utility construction industry for many, many years. He was a longtime member of SUCA and was inducted into the SUCA Hall of Fame in 1988. He will be fondly remembered and deeply

missed.

If you are interested in SUCA's projects or events, please contact our office at (813) 355-4879 or visit our website at [www.suca.org](http://www.suca.org).

### **UCA of North Florida**

We just returned from the UUCF 30th Anniversary Convention at the Gaylord Palms. It was nice to get caught up with everyone. Special thanks to Convention Chair Flo Woodall for all her hard work on putting together a great convention in a very short period of time.

Have you registered yet for NUCA's EXPO '11? As always, NUCA has a great program planned, including business management experts, Profit Pipeline Roundtables, table-top exhibits, unparalleled networking opportunities, a scholarship golf tournament and of course, the beauty of the island of Puerto Rico (no passport required) and the El Conquistador Resort. Visit the NUCA

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website at [www.nuca.com](http://www.nuca.com) for additional information. Florida's own Ryan Schmitt will be installed as Chairman. Let's try for a large group from Florida.

On August 19, Jeff Blomgren, Petticoat-Schmitt Civil Contractors, Inc., will be the guest speaker for our August Membership meeting. Jeff's topic will be "What to do when OSHA arrives at your Jobsite." The meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. at the Hampton Inn, 4415 Southside Blvd. There is no charge for this meeting and light refreshments will be served.

We will be holding our 2010 Candidate's Forum on Thursday, September 16 at 6:00 p.m. at River City Brewing Company. We have invited candidates for the November 2010 election to come and spend time with our members for a meet and greet. Please RVSP to [UCANF1@gmail.com](mailto:UCANF1@gmail.com) if you are interested in attending.

This month, we received updates for our scholarship recipients. Yang Ge, 2008 J. Richard Baker Scholarship winner, is attending Harvard University where he will begin his junior year this fall. He has been busy on the executive board of the Harvard Radcliffe Asian American Association (AAA). Yang also participated on the Harvard Federal Reserve Challenge team. Our 2009 J. Richard Baker Scholarship winner, Megan Unger, is attending University of Georgia and just completed her freshman year. Megan joined Gamma Phi Beta Sorority, Ecology Club, Freshman Forum and MathCounts. For the first six weeks of summer, Megan participated in a UGA affiliated study abroad program at Oxford University. We wish Yang and Megan all the best at school this year!

The NUCA Foundation for Education and Research has awarded its 2010 \$2,000 William & Shirley Burgett Scholarship to Tiffany F. Benton. She is the daughter of Mendy and Michael Benton, EWP Construction. In the fall, Tiffany will enter the

University of Central Florida where she plans to major in Forensic Science with a minor in Education.

Our annual Fishing Tournament will be held on Saturday, October 2 at Sister's Creek Marina/City of Jacksonville. Sponsors and Anglers are both needed. Sponsorships are available for \$125, \$300, \$600 & \$1,000.

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to volunteer to be the key contact for a local, state or national legislator. This program was implemented this year.

Tony came up with the idea of establishing the Don Davis Excellence in Service Award. This award is in memory of Representative Don Davis who passed away in 2008. The award will be presented annually to a person who has made a significant contribution to the industry or chapter.

UUCF is proud to present this year's **Gary D. Sward Award** to **Anthony "Tony" B. Zebouni**.

The recipient of the **Andrew J. Mayts Award** was Kirk Richmond who is President of Armadillo Underground. Kirk has been active on the UUCF Board of Directors since 2002. He has become very active by serving on the UUCF Executive Committee from 2004 to present; serving as Vice President from 2004 to 2007; serving as Secretary from 2007 to 2009; and Treasurer from 2009 to present.

Kirk has been on the UUCF Legislative Committee from 2003 to present; and UUCF PAC Committee from 2003 to present.

Since becoming Treasurer in 2009, Kirk has kept a very watchful eye on the finances of the association. He monitors the board and staff as well

as makes recommendations on how to save the association money.

UUCF is proud to present this year's **Andrew J. Mayts Award** to **Kirk Richmond**.

Congratulations to all the recipients, and we truly appreciate your hard work and dedication.

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Mars Hill College in North Carolina where his course of study is in business. His intended career plans are to open his own engineering firm.

The UUCF/Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Scholarship Foundation, Inc. would like to congratulate Sarah, Caroline, Kristina and Austin and the best of luck to all of you at college and on your future career plans!

### **How the UUCF/Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Scholarship Foundation Was Formed**

The UUCF/Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Scholarship Foundation, Inc. was established in memory of the son of two-time Past President of UUCF, Scott Johnson of Johnson-Davis, Inc. On December 28, 1999, Scott and Robin Johnson's son Andrew "Andy" Scott Johnson was tragically killed in an automobile accident at the age of 19. At the time of his death, Andy was a sophomore at Vanderbilt University studying Civil Engineering with hopes of entering the family business.

The foundation has established a scholarship fund that will hopefully serve the association's membership, provide help to individuals attending college and memorialize a bright young man.







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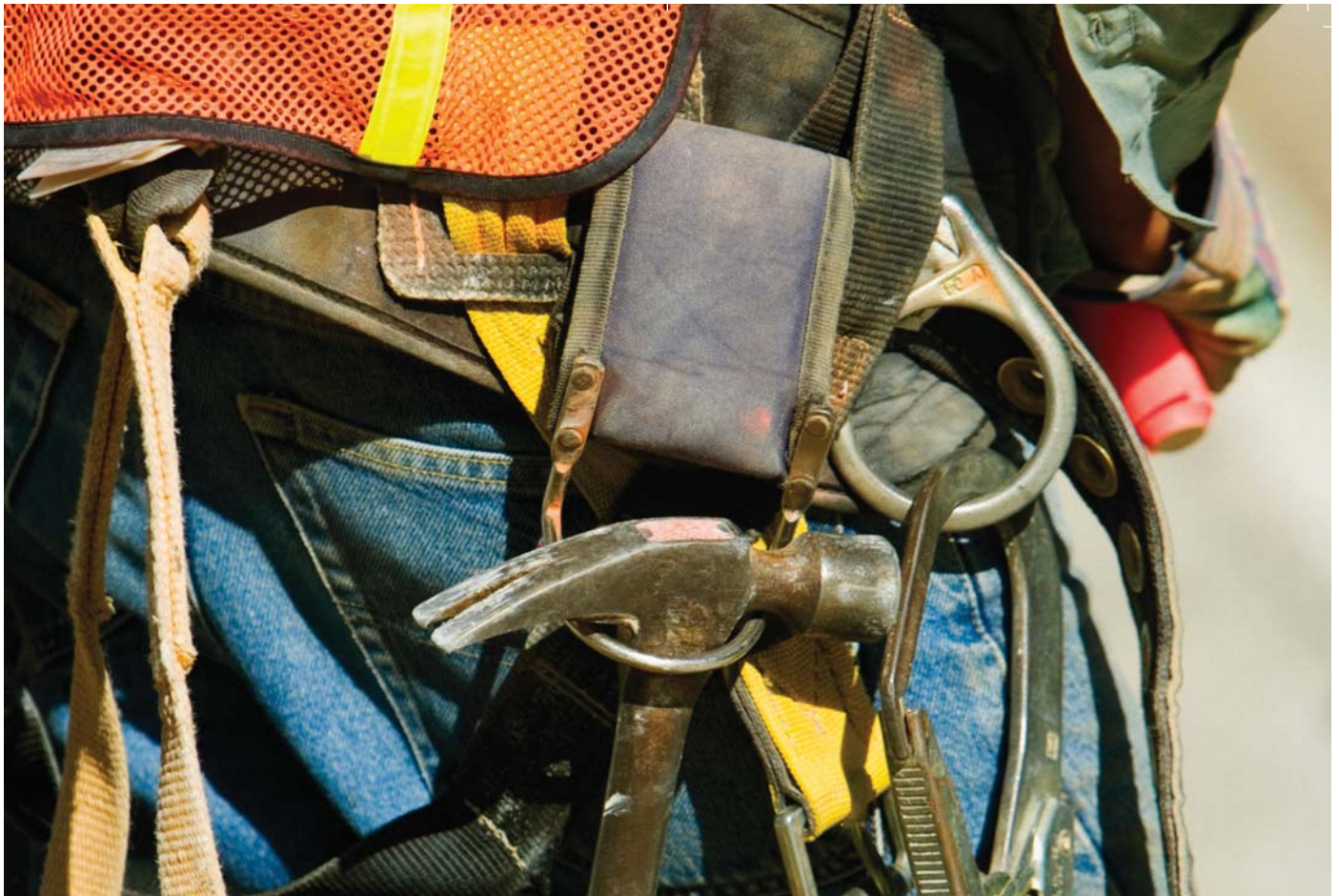
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