



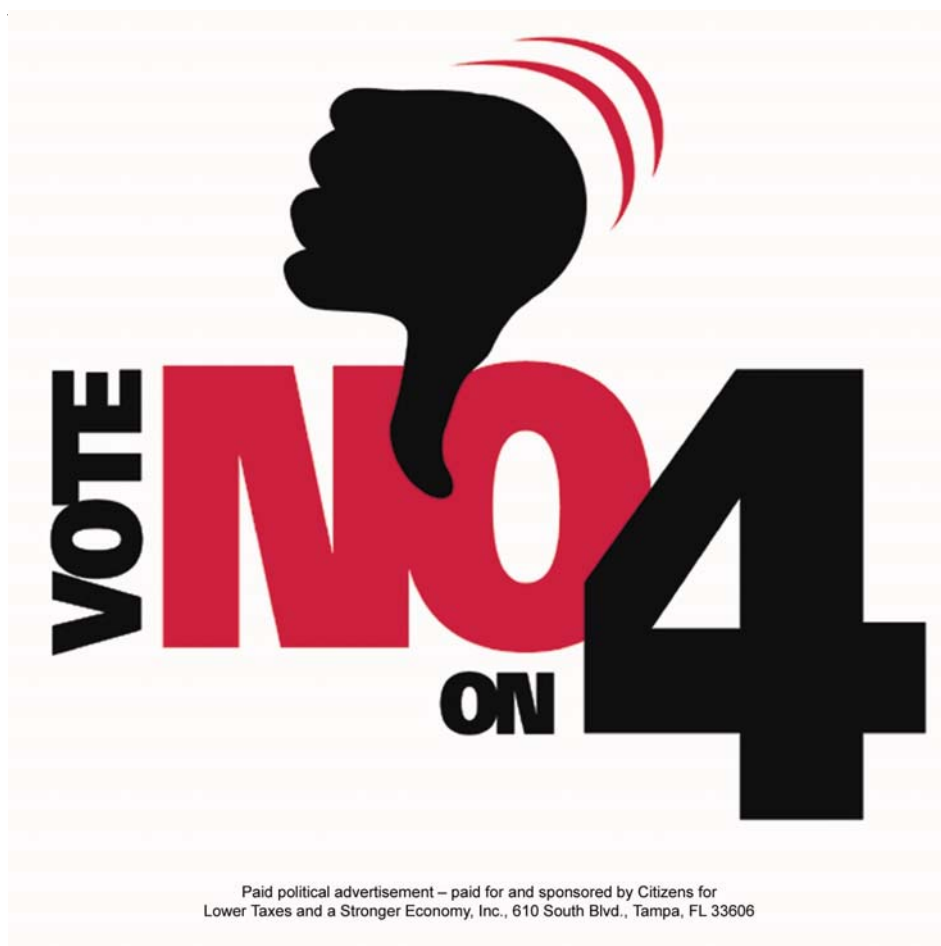
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UUCF Holds Fifteenth Annual President's Cup Golf Tournament

The Fifteenth Annual UUCF President's Cup Golf Tournament, held on October 1-3, was a lot of fun. Golfers teed off on the Palmer course on Friday, Champion course on Saturday and Squire course on Sunday at the PGA National Resort & Spa in Palm Beach Gardens. The golfers were able to play all three days rain free, and each day, the weather was gorgeous.

This year's tournament can be attributed to Chairman Mike Woodall's, John Woody, Inc., efforts to provide the golfers with a memorable weekend of golf. Special thanks goes to Mike for his dedication and hard work on making this tournament one of UUCF's premier events of the year. Tournament players were vying for great prizes.

The team of **Scott Pittman and Chad Worthington (Ajax Paving Industries, Inc. of Florida)** played consistently throughout the tournament. Their scores of 58 on Friday, 62 on Saturday and 67 on Sunday afforded their team as the **Overall Winners** of the three-day tournament.

As in the past, the tournament was a two-man team, three-day event. Each day was a different format. On Friday, the teams competed in a two-man best ball, Saturday a two-man scramble and concluded Sunday with a two-man alternate shot.

The golfers were also competing for a \$150.00 cash prize for the Ball in the Circle Contest. The contest was held throughout the tournament on select holes. Nobody hit their ball in the circle on Friday, Saturday or Sunday.

Throughout the tournament, a Putting Contest was held each day. On Friday, there were no winners. Therefore, the cash prize was carried

over to Saturday. On Saturday, the winner of the Putting Contest was Chuck Cameron. On Sunday, the winner of the Putting Contest was Bob Spink.

With the addition of a **Cigar Sponsor, Sponsored by Southern Safety & Supply, Inc.**, this year, all golfers were presented with a cigar at registration on Friday. Additional cigars were handed out on Saturday and Sunday.

UUCF would like to thank all our participants for coming out and enjoying a wonderful weekend of golf with us.

On behalf of the Underground Utility Contractors of Florida (UUCF), we would like to take this opportunity to thank the following

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- Bill Lee – Utility Service Company, Inc.
- Scott Pittman – Ajax Paving Industries, Inc. of Florida
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- Al Tilley – Mabey Bridge & Shore, Inc.
- Jon Woodall – John Woody, Inc.
- Mike Woodall – John Woody, Inc.
- Chad Worthington – Ajax Paving Industries, Inc. of Florida

Congratulations to the daily winners of the golf tournament, overall winners of the three day tournament, putting contest winners, Longest Drive winners and Closest to the Pin winners. They are as follows:

Friday, October 1, 2010

First Place Winners: Scott Pittman and Chad Worthington

Second Place Winners: Bob Spink and Mike Kanaday

Putting Contest: None

Ball in the Circle Contest: None

Closest to the Pin: Al Tilley

Longest Drive: Scott Pittman

Saturday, October 2, 2010

First Place Winners: Mike Woodall and Jon Woodall

Second Place Winners: Scott Pittman and Chad Worthington

Putting Contest: Chuck Cameron

Ball in the Circle Contest: None

Closest to the Pin: Mike Kanaday

Longest Drive: Chad Worthington

Sunday, October 3, 2010

First Place Winners: Chuck Cameron and Rick Cameron

Second Place Winners: Mike Woodall and Jon Woodall

Putting Contest: Bob Spink

Ball in the Circle Contest: None

Closest to the Pin: Scott Pittman

Longest Drive: Chad Worthington

Overall Winners of the Three-

Day Golf Tournament: Scott Pittman and Chad Worthington

UUCF thanks everyone who participated in the tournament, pledged sponsorship, prizes or donations towards the tournament. It truly was a successful event.

Watch future issues of the *Ditchmen* in the Calendar of Events for the date of the 2011 UUCF President's Cup Golf Tournament.

Please see photos on page 7 and on website at www.uucf.com.



L to R: Overall Winners Scott Pittman and Chad Worthington



L to R: Jon Woodall and President's Cup Golf Tournament Chairman Mike Woodall, John Woody, Inc.

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UUCF Makes Major Contribution to Defeat Amendment 4

UUCF understands the single most important issue facing the underground utility industry this fall is defeating Amendment 4. It's the last thing we need during this down economy. Passing this fatally flawed Constitutional Amendment will be the death knell for our industry. Understanding how dangerous Amendment 4 will be to Florida's economy, UUCF presented a \$10,000.00 contribution to The "No On 4" campaign, Citizens for Lower Taxes and a Stronger Economy, Inc., on Thursday, September 30, 2010.

The remaining days are critical! I cannot stress enough the importance of getting the message out to everyone on how critical it is to defeat this dangerous



R. Bruce Kershner, UUCF Executive Vice President, presents check to J. J. Whitson, Citizens for Lower Taxes and a Stronger Economy, Inc.

amendment. "The more voters read the fine print on Amendment 4 — and learn about its costs — the more they oppose it," said Ryan Houck, executive director of the No on 4 campaign. Remember Ryan's words for the remaining days. Recent poll numbers show Amendment 4 getting 53% of the vote . . . short of the

required 60%. Unfortunately, only 26% oppose it while a whopping 21% remain undecided.

I want to thank the UUCF members who have purchased the big Vote No on 4 signs or took advantage of the yard signs and bumpers stickers that were provided to your chapter by UUCF . . . but it will take more than that. Every day, UUCF members are interacting with colleagues, employees, friends and family. I urge you to take that opportunity to tell them just how devastating the passage of Amendment 4 would be to Florida. We need the 21% of undecided to just say No on 4.

If you need additional information on Amendment 4, please visit their website at www.florida2010.org.

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There are Some Recent Changes at OSHA That You Need to Know About

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With the construction industry at an all time low, it is no surprise that there are fewer construction projects for OSHA to inspect. And, because OSHA has actually added inspectors as part of its increased enforcement effort that means there is a greater probability than ever that your project will be visited by OSHA. Proof of OSHA's increased enforcement is evidenced by fact that OSHA cited almost twice as many employers for egregious violations in the first quarter of 2010 than it had in all of the previous fiscal year. OSHA is enforcing its existing standards more vigorously, and it is also modifying how it calculates penalties to maximize the penalties imposed on employers. What this means is that employers need to focus as much attention as they can on preventative maintenance so they can avoid paying hard earned dollars to the federal government in the form of OSHA penalties. Set forth below is a brief description of some of the changes OSHA has made that could affect your bottom line.

In the past, there was the informal "Three Year Rule" which affected whether a violation would be classified as a "Repeat", and whether a penalty would be reduced for having a good history of no citations. The rule of thumb was that citations more than three years old would not be considered by OSHA in determining whether a violation was a "Repeat". As you probably know, classifying a violation as a "Repeat" instead of merely "Serious" allows OSHA to impose a much higher penalty. There was also a three year rule

used to determine whether a penalty could be reduced because the employer had zero citations during the three years prior to a current citation. Both three year rules have now been increased to five years. So, a more expensive "Repeat" citation can be issued if the employer has had a citation within the previous five years, and an employer has to go five years without a serious, willful, repeat, or failure-to-abate citation to even hope for a good history reduction of 10%.

OSHA is also allowed to increase a penalty by 10%, up to the statutory maximum, for any employer that has been cited by OSHA for any high gravity serious, willful, repeat, or failure-to-abate violation within the previous five years. Employers who have not been inspected and those who have received citations for serious violations that were not high gravity will receive neither a reduction nor an increase based on history.

OSHA has stated that it intends to increase the average penalty for a serious violation from approximately \$1,000 to an average of \$3,000 to \$4,000. OSHA has also raised the minimum penalty for a "Serious" violation, although raising the minimum penalty, means nothing to contractors, as we rarely see a minimum penalty these days.

OSHA has also altered the way it combines or bundles violations. By assessing violations as individual citations, OSHA can assess more penalties per inspection. Previously, OSHA typically only issued a single citation for each standard that it

alleges an employer violated regardless of how many employees are affected by the alleged violation. The Secretary of Labor, however, recently revised thirty-four different OSHA standards to permit OSHA to cite employers with a separate violation for each affected employee. In one recent case, an employer was cited 11 times for failure to provide 11 employees with respirators while removing asbestos from a building. See e.g. Clarification of Employer Duty to Provide Personal Protective Equipment and Train Each Employee, 73 Fed. Reg. 75,568, 75,583-89 (Dec. 12, 2008) Although the new rules authorize employee-by-employee citations, the Secretary's Field Operations Manual states that generally only a single citation will issue for each standard an employer violates. OSHA states that employee by employee citations will only be applied when the employer's behavior is willful and egregious. See OSHA Instruction CPL 2.80, Handling of Cases To Be Proposed for Violation-By-Violation Penalties (October 21, 1990).

Conclusion

OSHA is clearly committed to ramping up its enforcement activities and maximizing the penalties that it may assess upon employers. If you are one of the few contractors still standing, odds are, your projects will be visited by OSHA. We all appreciate that safety is good for business and employees. The smart business decision is to focus on your safety program so you

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Contractor Member of the Month: John Woody, Inc.

John Woody, Inc. was incorporated in 1979 by Weldon Woodall. In 1982, Michael Woodall joined his father and the duo put forth the effort to make John Woody, Inc. one of the most respected utility contractors in North Florida. Day in and day out, John Woody Inc. continues to maintain the highest level of standards in the business.

Over the years, John Woody, Inc. has prided itself in bidding and completing a wide range of projects. More importantly, searching for the difficult and time consuming projects that other company's may pass on. A quote from Weldon, "the more complex, the deeper, the nastier the project, that is what keeps our jobs interesting." John Woody has been

blessed with some of the finest personnel in the underground utility industry. They are unsurpassed by none. Many of the key personnel have been with the company from the start, and the average term of employment is 18 years.

The company splits its work load between municipal and private projects throughout North Florida, specializing in underground utilities. We, as a company believe in doing one thing and doing it well.

John Woody, Inc. has been a firm supporter of the Utility Contractors Association of North Florida, Underground Utility Contractors of Florida (UUCF) and National Utility Contractors Association (NUCA) for many years. Michael has held officer positions on all three boards, as well

as SSOCOF, and he continues to participate as much as possible.

John Woody, Inc. has strived to always provide a fair wage scale, ample benefits and a safe working environment for all our employees. All while supplying a superior level of service to our customers.

As the economic crisis continues before us, all businesses are greatly affected. We, as small business owners are both proud and saddened by the sacrifices that have to be made to help keep the dream alive. Many long-term employees and other well respected business owners have unfortunately not made it through these very tough times. John Woody, Inc. will continue to do

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Dallas 1 Construction Choose Trench Shields for Unexpected Excavation Project

UUCF members Dallas 1 Construction & Development based in Thonotosassa, Florida; recently completed an unexpected excavation project to facilitate the installation of dual 20 inch chilled water lines as part of the University of South Florida (USF) Chilled Water Loop Upgrade.

"Originally, we were not on site for the new chilled water line project, we were there to dig a jack and bore pit," said Nick Maxwell, Dallas 1's Estimator. "But Mechanical Contractor Poole & Kent asked us to excavate, shore, and backfill for their installation of the new water lines because their original subcontractor backed out," Maxwell explains.

Poole & Kent installed approximately 250 linear feet of dual, insulated-wrapped 20 inch steel pipe side-by-side, ranging in depth from 8-14 feet deep. Each stick of pipe was 40 feet long. Most of the pipe joints were welded together in the pipeline excavation; however Poole & Kent had to weld two joints outside the trench once, creating one long 80 foot length of pipe that needed to be placed into the trench in one pick. This created a particular problem in placing such long pieces of pipe and still maintaining proper shoring of the trench.

To facilitate the protection of workers installing and welding the

pipes in the trench excavation, Dallas 1 employed a series of trench shields to shore the pipeline. The trench shields (also known as trench boxes) were 8 foot tall, 24 foot long XLD Series shields with 4 inch sidewalls manufactured by Efficiency Production, Inc. and provided by Professional Shoring & Supply.

In order to manage installing the extremely long pipe into the trench boxes, Dallas 1 employed Hi-Clearance Arch spreaders on abutted ends of two shields which essentially created an unobstructed clearance of 48 feet, the length of two trench shields. This easily accommodated the 40 foot lengths of pipe, and the one 80 foot joint of pipe with some skilled maneuvering by Dallas 1's excavator operator. The innovative Hi-Clearance Arches pin-in-place over the trench shield sidewalls' existing spreader collars.

A John Deere 330 excavator was used to excavate the trench, install the trench shields, and backfill over the new pipes.

Efficiency trench shields are designed and manufactured to stack on each other, and include easy to use stack packets to pin the stacked shields together. Dallas 1 stacked their trench shields when installing the pipe in depths exceeding 10 feet. (OSHA allows trench excavations to exceed the height of trench shields by 2 feet.)

All told, Dallas 1 rented about 18 trench shields from Professional Shoring and Supply's Tampa office. They were supported by trench shoring specialist Paul Strazzula.

"The boxes worked great, no problems," added Maxwell. "And we've know Paul for a long time, and he's been real responsive to our needs."

Dallas 1 Construction & Development's core competencies cover three key areas: construction of infrastructure up to and including asphalt paving; installation of sewer,

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Linda Wyman Leaves After 13 Years to Run National Association

NUCA members and staff bid a sad farewell to NUCA's long-time Chief Operating Officer Linda Wyman, whose knowledge, intelligence, creativity, care and hard work will be greatly missed. Linda added value to the organization on many levels and will be greatly missed. But the good news is that she leaves to head up her own association. Linda will become Chief Operating Officer of the National Association of Bond Lawyers. We wish her every success and look forward to working with her to reauthorize the highly successful

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Bonnie Williams Joins NUCA as Marketing and

Communications VP

Over the past 30 years, Bonnie has served in many communications capacities. She spent 12 years as the Managing Editor of three publications for SAIC. She got to know the paving industry while serving as a marketing consultant and writer for the National Asphalt Pavement Association. As an associate for a marketing and communications company, she led

focus groups and wrote dozens of fundraising appeals and other marketing pieces. She also knows what it means to meet a payroll – having served as executive director of a profitable association for 6 years, and later reorganizing the staffing and business model of a historic riding facility. She currently serves as a non-profit board chairman. She is delighted to join NUCA and looks forward to getting to know its members and helping with all NUCA's communications and marketing needs.

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NUCA on The Move

NUCA has moved to a new location!

The new offices will be a better fit for our needs and will save money too! Our new permanent office will not be ready for move-in until early February 2011, so we will be going to a temporary office location for the interim period.

Until further notice, we will continue to use our current office mailing address: 4301 North Fairfax Drive, Suite 360, Arlington, VA 22203. Our phone and fax numbers, e-mail addresses and website address will remain the same.

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If you did not receive your **free** copy of the UUCF Directory or need an additional copy for your office, please contact your local chapter or the UUCF office at (407) 830-1880.

Registered Contractor License Renewal Reminder

Just a reminder that the Registered Contractor licenses from the Department of Business and Professional Regulation (DBPR) are up for renewal on August 31, 2011. 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.

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President's Message



With the first days of Fall and the beginning of October, everyone is talking about the cooler weather, deer hunting, football and politics. In Northwest Florida, October is one of my favorite months. The Gulf waters are crystal clear, fishing is very good and the locals have the beaches to ourselves. Everyone is in good moods and welcomes the change. I hope you are experiencing the same.

In October, the Primary Election is over, and we have the General Election on November 2. Two issues that are important to me is Amendment 4 and Competitive Bid. As we all know, most people we speak with know nothing about Amendment 4. The ball is in our



court. We must educate as many of our friends and have them pass on the information to their friends. The only VOTE NO signs I have seen are from our ditch digging industry. At our convention, a gentleman who works with David Nelson Construction made a statement that we needed a short description to describe Amendment 4. Over the past couple of months, I have thought about what he said. To me if I had to sum up Amendment 4 it would be "property rights" or the lack of it if the amendment is approved. Another thought is "community growth and improvement" or lack

of it if approved. This will affect our construction industry and land values more than any other issue.

We are experiencing many of our municipalities, counties and cities constructing or wanting to self perform their own work. I think we all agree that repairs and small jobs should be done in-house but not construction projects such the multimillion dollar project in Cape Coral. UUCF has had a big influence on restricting this through closing loop holes in the laws. We somehow have to make the state accountable to enforce these laws and have the state punish the offenders as they would do if contractors broke the law.

With November as close as it is,

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can spend what little dollars there are on your business rather than give it to the federal government through OSHA penalties.

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have limited knowledge of our

services and impact. Some have no clue about who we are, although they are really glad to find out! All this unawareness despite 45 years of leadership, noteworthy legislative and regulatory accomplishments, an around-the-clock web presence, safety training that reaches 10,000 professionals annually, regular construction press coverage and four well-written industry publications, including one with a circulation of more than 20,000 monthly readers! Compounding the confusion, many of our affiliated state and local chapters carry identifying characteristics, including names, that are at odds with each other and the national organization. We decided the time was ripe for an honest-to-goodness brand awareness makeover, including a new logo and tag line.

The result is unveiled on page 13.

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- Review of Key Statutory Definitions
- Contractor Responsibilities
- Exemptions
- Insurance Coverage Requirements
- Enforcement Provisions

Workplace safety topics presented by OSHA (U.S. Dept. of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration) include:

- Direct and Indirect Costs
- Inspections
- Florida Fatalities

The following is a list of class locations, dates and times for future sessions.

November 3, 2010 – Pensacola

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

November 4, 2010 – Orlando

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

November 10, 2010

Jacksonville
Florida Department
of Law
Enforcement
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Street, Building E,
Room A,
Jacksonville, FL
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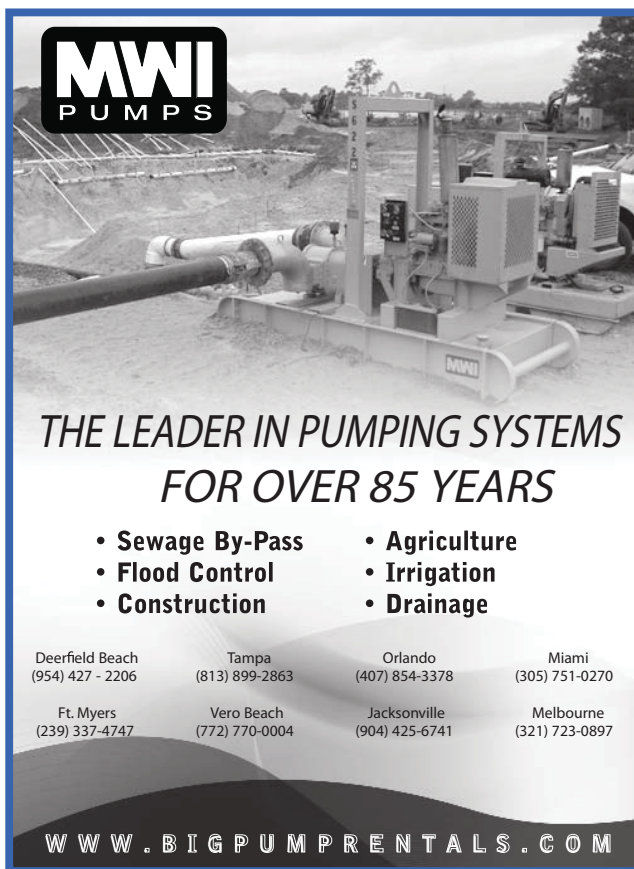
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Advanced registration is required. The form is available on the Division's website at www.myfloridacfo.com/WC. For additional information, e-mail bocseminars@MyFloridaCFO.com, call (813) 221-6518 or Fax (813) 233-3742.



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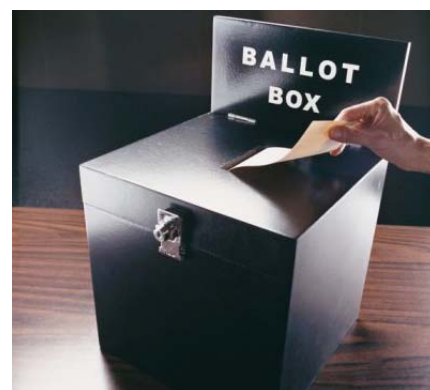
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Calendar of Events

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Nov. 5 Board of Director's Meeting, Orlando

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Jan. 28 Board of Director's Meeting, Orlando
Mar. (TBA) Board of Director's Meeting, Tallahassee
Mar. (TBA) Tallahassee Summit, Tallahassee
June 3 Board of Director's Meeting, Orlando
July 21 Board of Director's Meeting,
Casa Marina Resort & Beach Club, Key West
July 21-24 Annual Convention,
Casa Marina Resort & Beach Club, Key West
Sept. (TBA) President's Cup Golf Tournament
Nov. 4 Board of Director's Meeting, Orlando

Northwest Florida UCA

Nov. 2 Board of Director's Meeting, Pensacola
Nov. 12 Annual Meeting, Pensacola

Southwest Florida UCA

Nov. 18 Board of Director's Meeting
Dec. 4 Christmas Party

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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

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 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

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

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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,

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Our well-known acronym NUCA is now our official logo. The customized font contains design elements consistent with our work. It is crisp and clear. We have kept the red, white and blue color scheme intact. Our new active voice tagline, "Representing Utility and Excavation Contractors" is accurate, strong and memorable. We hope you like it use it on your letterhead and business cards. A style guide governing its usage can be found right here.

Our intent is not to distance ourselves from the past in any way- we're proud of our history. Our two previous logos, the "man in the pipe" design from our formative years and the familiar American flag emblem with the catchy and patriotic double-entendre "We Dig America" have served us well and will never be forgotten. In fact, you'll see them again during our 50th Anniversary year coming up in 2014. We are doing this to better communicate our mission, improve our engagement with





members and eliminate the disconnect between how we are viewed by insiders and outsiders.

Please let me know what you think.

Sincerely,

Bill Hillman
NUCA CEO

P.S. A special thanks is owed to our Strategic Planning Task Force Members: Ryan Schmitt, Chairman, Petticoat-Schmitt Civil Contractors, Inc. (FL), Kari Biernacki, AUI Inc. (NM), Mark Fuglevand, Marshbank Construction (WA), Florentino Gregorio, Anchor Construction (DC), Chad Reed, Teal Construction, Inc. (DE), and Bruce Wendorf, Forsberg Construction, Inc. (FL)

P.P.S. Do we expect this branding evolution to result in new members and greater enthusiasm? You bet.

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please pass on your thoughts and opinions to your friends. As I mentioned last month, every vote matters and can make a difference. I think we have some VOTE NO signs left. If you do not have some, please call Julie at the UUCF office, and she can make arrangements for you to get some.

This month is a busy month for our UUCF PAC committee. They will be approving contributions for candidates who have asked for our backing and other candidates who we want to back. The UUCF PAC is like our football teams. It needs your support and backing. At the end of the day, our political game will be more important than the game played by our school's team.

In closing, we all had a great time in Captiva at the Southwest Florida UCA Fishing Tournament. The accommodations were very nice, and we enjoyed seeing our friends that we only see at our meetings and convention. I look forward to seeing many of you at the UUCF President's Cup Golf Tournament at the PGA National Resort and Spa.

Sincerely,

Bill Lee
UUCF President

Sunshine State One Call of Florida, Inc. 2010 Holiday Calendar

Thanksgiving Day	11/25/10
Day after Thanksgiving Day	11/26/10
Christmas Eve	12/23/10
Christmas Day	12/24/10

2011 Holiday Calendar

Observance of New Year's Day	12/31/11
Martin Luther King Day	01/17/11
Memorial Day	05/30/11
Independence Day	07/04/11
Labor Day	09/05/11
Thanksgiving Day	11/24/11
Day after Thanksgiving Day	11/25/11
Christmas Eve	12/23/11
Christmas Day	12/26/11

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2010 FDOT Letting Dates

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 Northwest Florida UCA Annual Meeting and Officer Installation will take place on Friday, November 19 at New World Landing in Pensacola. The format for this year's event will be announced shortly and invitations will be sent later in the month. Attire for the evening is business casual (slacks & collared shirts for the men and pantsuits for the ladies). It should be a fun night so mark your calendars now.

Northwest Florida UCA is seeking event sponsors for the upcoming Annual Meeting on November 19. Sponsors will receive recognition through signage at the Meeting as well as a listing in the monthly Newsletter. Please show support of your association by becoming a sponsor. Sponsorships are open to nonmembers as well, and we would encourage you to contact firms outside of our association and seek their support. If you are interested in showing support of the meeting through sponsorship, please call the Northwest Florida UCA office at (850) 434-8328. Thank you for your support!

Southwest Florida UCA

The 2010 SWFUCA Annual Fishing Tournament was held the weekend of September 17-19 at the beautiful 'Tween Waters Inn on Captiva Island. Thank you to everyone who attended. Every day was good, and it was the best place to be! The weather was beautiful, and the fishing was great. Congratulations to the Calcutta Winners and those who caught the largest fish in each category. Also congratulations to the Junior Angler winners and all the junior anglers who had some great catches. We are also happy for all those who won great door prizes and won awesome Chinese Auction items.

Calcutta Winners: First Place – Ferguson Waterworks boat with

Mark Stefanacci and David Scafidi. **Second Place** – Dave Douglas & Associates boat with David Douglas and Zac Douglas. **Third Place** – Andrews Site Development boat with Amy Andrew. **Fourth Place** – Sewer Viewer boat with Brandon Brown and Casey Sitterson. **Fifth Place** – Ajax Paving boat with Andy DeCraene, Garrett Fons, Roger Owens and Mike Guiler.

Winners: Heaviest Redfish – Johnson-Davis, Inc. boat with Scott & Robin Johnson. **Heaviest Trout** – Dennis Morgan with City of Cape Coral. **Heaviest Snapper** – Andrews Site Development boat with Amy Andrew. **Redfish Most Spots** – ITT Flygt boat with Ray Kahler. **Jr. Angler Most Fish** – Michael Richmond. **Jr. Angler Heaviest Fish** – Lane Fields.

Companies in attendance: Ajax Paving, Armadillo Underground, Andrew Site Dev., Advance Drainage Systems, City of Cape Coral, Dave Douglas & Assoc., Denco Construction, Ferguson Waterworks, Gulf Coast Underground, Guymann Construction, Johnson-Davis Inc., ITT Flygt, Iron Planet, Kelly Tractor, Mainline Supply (MSC), Mitchell & Stark, MWI Pump Rentals, Nortrax Equipment, Oldcastle Precast, Rinker Mat./Concrete Pipe Div., Rohaley & Sons/DBE Plumbing, Sewer Viewer, Southwest Utility Systems, Total Shipping Solutions, U.S. Precast and Utility Service Co. – approximately 150 in attendance.

Many many thanks to all the Fishing Tournament Sponsors who make this event possible! **Gold Sponsors** – ITT Flygt, Oldcastle Precast, Sewer Viewer. **Major Sponsors** – Coastal Precast of FL, Dave Douglas & Associates, Kelly Tractor, Nortrax Equipment, MWI Pump Rentals, U. S. Precast. **Cocktail Sponsors** – Dave Foote Environmental, Forsberg Construction, Johnson-

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Fishing Tournament Committee – Chairman Chris Stewart and Scott Horn. **Special Tournament Volunteer** – Kathi Moore. **Fishing Movie** – Created and provided by Susan, Daniel & Christina Stewart. **Table Decorations and Trophies** – Created by Susan Stewart. **Check in Staff, Decoration, Weigh-in & Get Ready Volunteers** – Kathi Moore, Cynthia Russell, Daniel Stewart, Susan Stewart, Mike McDonnell, Dan Fugatt. **Executive Director** – Sharon Fugatt.

Thank You again for a wonderful, memorable weekend at 'Tween.

At our August 19 Southwest Florida UCA membership meeting, we were honored to have Republican candidate Matt Caldwell speak. Matt won in the primary and will be running against Democrat Cole Peacock in the General Election for District 73 of the House of Representatives. (Cole was unopposed).

Southwest Florida UCA honored and dedicated our August 19 membership meeting to a wonderful man and hero, James "Tex" Mann. Tex passed away, Saturday, August 7 in Michigan from a short battle with cancer. Tex was the Co-founder and president of Guymann Construction. During our meeting, we all looked back and remembered





how Tex blessed our lives. Tex was an influential man, and everyone that ever worked with him felt blessed. He was a true-worker; he started his career as a laborer and worked his way to the top. His passions in life were work, the company, his family and friends. He is responsible for the success of numerous people in business here and countless infrastructure projects in Southwest Florida. Tex was a brilliant man and taught all of us valuable construction and life related lessons that we will pass on to future generations. He was always there and willing to help someone in need. He loved the industry, and the success of Guymann Construction was his devotion. Please keep Tex's family and close friends in your thoughts and prayers. He was truly a leader and hero to all of us.

We are excited to offer FootballMania again in 2010! Anyone can play up until October. FootballMania is an exciting sweepstakes based on professional football. If you have not participated in FootballMania before, try it! Not only will it help our association, but it allows our supporters to have some fun and possibly win thousands of dollars in prize money! We had quite a few winners last year. With your participation of just \$20 or more, you get digital music and book downloads plus a complimentary FootballMania sweepstakes ticket. Each ticket gives you the chance to win thousands of dollars in prize money during the fundraiser! We are sure that you will find participating exciting. It is quick, easy, and it is an extreme amount of fun! Please go to <https://www.charitymania.com/give/AZ36E> to learn more about the sweepstakes.

Southwest Florida UCA will have our next membership meeting on Thursday, October 21 at the Holiday Inn Airport, Gulf Coast Town Center in Fort Myers. Please advise the Southwest Florida UCA

office if you will be attending.

UCA of North Florida

On Thursday, September 16, a Candidate's Forum was held at River City Brewing Company. Candidates who will appear on the November 2010 ballot were invited to attend. Members of the Utility Contractors Association of North Florida and Associated General Contractors of Florida attended the meetings. We were pleased to have several members of our Duval Delegation present including: Representative Charles McBurney, Representative Lake Ray and Representative Doc Renuart. Our friend, Representative Charles Van Zant from District 21, was also in attendance. Tony Zebouni was our moderator for the evening. Candidates were given an opportunity to address the group, and then asked several questions by the moderator. Members were then invited to ask questions. Plans are underway for another forum early next year for the Mayoral and City Council candidates.

On behalf of UUCF, Ryan Schmitt presented Tony Zebouni with the 2010 *Gary D. Sawyer Award* at a recent meeting. Tony was unable to attend the UUCF convention this year due to a previous commitment.

NUCA will be holding a Board of Directors Meeting on October 14-15 at the Chicago Marriott O'Hare in Chicago, IL. The Safety Directors Forum will be held October 26-28 at the Flamingo Las Vegas Hotel & Casino, in Las Vegas, NV. For additional information, please visit the NUCA website at www.nuca.com.

A Competent Person Training facilitated by David Stern, United Rentals Trench Safety, will be held on Tuesday, October 12 and Thursday, October 14 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Ellis & Associates. The cost is \$10 per person. A light dinner will be served. Seating is limited. Please call the UCA of North Florida office at (904) 296-1230 to register.

The Nomination Committee of the Utility Contractors Association of North Florida is now accepting applications for the 2011 Board of Directors. You can obtain an application by calling the UCA of North Florida office at (904) 296-1230. The deadline to submit your application is Friday, October 8.

Election of the 2011 Officers and Board of Directors will take place at our November 18 general meeting. All contractor and associate members are encouraged to attend and vote for the slate of officers. Affiliate members are encouraged to attend but do not have voting rights.

New Compliance Resources for Cranes and Derricks Rule Now Available Online

Additional compliance assistance resources for the cranes and derricks in construction final rule have been posted to the OSHA Web site. These resources include two facts sheets on Subpart CC of the rule, which addresses requirements for crane and derrick **assembly and disassembly** and **operator qualification and certification**. A **PowerPoint presentation** providing an overview of Subpart CC is also available online. In addition, OSHA's **Cranes and Derricks in Construction Final Rule** page contains the complete text of the rule, an archived Web chat and answers to frequently asked questions.





Jeff Nelson Appointed Vice President of ARTBA

Jeffrey D. Nelson, President of David Nelson Construction Co., Palm Harbor, FL, is taking an important leadership role on behalf of the nation's transportation contractors. At the National Convention of the American Road & Transportation Builders Association (ARTBA) in New York City, Jeff will be elected First Vice President of ARTBA's Contractors Division, which includes more than 3,300 firms from across the country. In this position, he will represent ARTBA's

contractors in regular dialogues with Congress and key agencies like the Federal Highway Administration. He will also provide policy guidance to ARTBA on issues important to contractors. Jeff is a past chairman of the Florida Transportation Builders' Association (FTBA) and in recent years has served as a co-chairman of ARTBA's Environmental Committee. In his new role with ARTBA, Jeff will also be serving on the association's Executive Committee.

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You might be asking yourself, "isn't that enough?" Sadly, no, it is not. The "Yes on 4" campaign has made its own TV media buy. **Worse still, newly-released public records reveal that a long-rumored "mystery donor" just pumped over \$2 million into their campaign.** Records also reveal that our opponents have apparently setup several new political action committees to funnel more money into their media campaign.

Meanwhile, our media program is not yet fully-funded. Your support has brought the finish line into view. Recent polling reveals that our message is taking hold. However, to sustain that message through Election Day additional funds are needed. **No one came this far to snatch defeat from the jaws of victory.**

Polling shows that it is within our power to write the headline for November 3rd. It will say either that the work we began in April of 2007 resulted in an "Historic victory for Florida's economy" or that we "Stumbled inches from the finish line."

Here's the bottom line: Unless more money is raised this week, Amendment 4 could limp across the finish line and years of preparation and hard work will have been for nothing. The cost of such a failure will be a quarter-million lost jobs, billions in higher taxes and a deeper economic recession.

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