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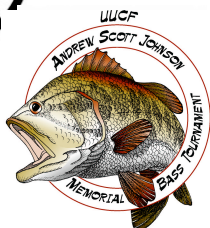
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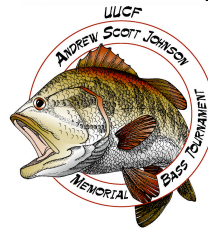
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UUCF/Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Scholarship Foundation Schedules Thirteenth Annual Bass Fishing Tournament

The UUCF/Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Scholarship Foundation will be holding its two-day Bass Fishing Tournament on Friday, March 1 – Saturday, March 2, 2013 on the Kissimmee Chain of Lakes on Lake Toho at the Big Toho Marina. This tournament has been organized to raise funds for the UUCF/Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Scholarship Foundation. The Fishing Tournament Chairman Scott Johnson has already started making plans for this event.

There will be a mandatory Captain's Meeting on Thursday, February 28, 2012 at The Heritage Park Inn in Kissimmee. One representative from each team must be present at this meeting. The weigh-in for each day's tournament will be held at the Big Toho Marina. An Angler Dinner will be held at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 1 at The Heritage Park Inn.

The tournament will be a two-day event. Five fish per boat, per team, per day. There is a minimum of two people on a team. No team can consist of more than three people. Paid professional guides cannot be considered as a team member. This will be a catch and release tournament and will be scored in accordance with the B.A.S.S. guidelines. However, the use of live bait is permitted! (After all, this is for FUN!) Professional guide services are available through the foundation.

The schedule for both days is as follows: Check in/Registration starting at 6:30 a.m.; Cast Off at 7:00 a.m. (or safe light); and Weigh-in starts at 2:00 p.m. There will be a registration fee for this event. The registration fee

will include a T-Shirt, hat and raffle ticket. Hotel accommodations, meals, bait, boats and professional guides are not included in the registration fee.

Angler, Boat/Guide, Lunch, Shiners and Hotel Registration Forms were e-mailed to the UUCF membership and available on the UUCF website at www.uucf.com the beginning of December.

UUCF is also accepting companies to be a part of the Major, General, Captain's Meeting Happy Hour, Angler Dinner Beverage, Angler

Dinner, Grand Prize, Weigh-In and Trophy Sponsorship Programs. All sponsorship forms were e-mailed to the UUCF membership and available on the UUCF website at www.uucf.com the beginning of December.

Proceeds from this tournament benefit the UUCF/Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Scholarship Foundation scholarship program. Since its inception in 2000, the foundation is proud to have awarded \$221,500.00 in scholarships to individuals who are entering or enrolled in college.

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Full Menu of Issues Awaits 2013 Legislative Session

The elections are over, and it's time for the Florida Legislature to get back to work. The first week in December found 44 House and 15 Senate freshmen joining their senior colleagues in Tallahassee as interim committee meetings for the 2013 session kicked off. They will be faced with a variety of issues such as creating a new budget, coping with federal health care reform and the cost of a college education in Florida.



Besides crafting another \$70 billion budget in an uncertain economic climate, lawmakers also must decide how the state will respond to the federal government's offer to provide more Medicaid funding under the Affordable Care Act. Both the House and Senate have created special committees to review the impact of the federal health care law.

Lawmakers also are filing bills to improve the elections process and ethical standards for public officials. A top-to-bottom probe of Citizens Insurance will be on the table. Lawmakers may look at gambling to boost the state's economy by

opening the doors for casino gambling. The Senate has set up a new Gaming Committee to review the issue; but thus far, the issue has not gained much traction. Other hot topic items awaiting lawmakers include a ban on texting while driving and the taxation of Internet sales.

Construction related issues will of course include the obligatory building code bill, Reemployment (formally unemployment compensation) tax rates and any legislation that will create jobs in this stalled economy. Along those lines, look for legislation to get the state to create a \$700,000 million

public/private trust fund to build infrastructure such as wastewater plants, roads and airport projects. Estimates are that this would create 7,000 jobs statewide. **Senator Alan Hays** plans on bringing back the doctors drug-dispensing bill. The bill would lower workers' compensation costs for businesses, by limiting how much doctors can charge for medicine they dispense out of their offices. Other construction related bills expected to surface during the

2013 Legislative Session include: preempting local government bid preferences, uniform statewide background screening for Noninstructional Contractors on School Grounds (Jessica Lunsford Act), closing loopholes in competitive bidding statute and bills to preempt a variety of local ordinances such as paid sick leave and local hiring.

UUCF will be tracking the issues during the 2013 Legislative Session and will be reporting on them weekly during session which starts on Tuesday, March 5, 2013.

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The UUCF 2013 Conference Chairperson is Kim Bryan with Petticoat–Schmitt Civil Contractors, Inc. in Jacksonville, FL.

*Watch for information on the 2013 Conference
in future issues of the Ditchmen.*

UUCF Dues to Increase in 2013

Effective with the UUCF 2013 dues, annual dues for UUCF will increase to \$200.00 per member.

The UUCF Board of Directors gave careful and thoughtful consideration to the issue of increasing membership dues in these financially difficult times. Since its inception in 1980, UUCF has only incurred two dues increases. When formed in 1980, UUCF dues were \$25. That increased to \$50 in 1991. The last increase, taking the dues from \$50 to \$100, was effective in 1995.

This action was taken only after careful consideration and five years of continually reducing expenses. Be assured that the UUCF elected leaders and staff operate in a manner that is fiscally responsible and will continue to provide the membership benefits you and your company expect. You will continue to find value in your UUCF membership, including:

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UUCF continues to monitor the Construction Industry Licensing Board (CILB)

UUCF Executive Vice President Bruce Kershner attended the November Construction Industry Licensing Board (CILB) meeting where a discussion took place regarding main water distribution systems and who can install a backflow preventer. Mr. Kershner had previously provided a copy of the Attorney General's letter dated October 2, 2000 to CILB Executive Director Drew Winters. This document represents an agreement between the Underground Utility Contractors of Florida (UUCF) and the Florida Association of Plumbing Heating Cooling Contractors (FAPHCC).

The discussion centered on the definition of the "main water distribution systems," **61G4-**

12.011(7), F.A.C. CILB member Jackie Watts stated that she requested this discussion be on the agenda to clear up confusion regarding main water distribution systems: to clarify where the scope of work begins and ends for licensed Underground Utility & Excavation Contractors (UUEC) versus licensed Plumbers. Ms Watts stated that it was her understanding that a UUEC could plumb potable water lines up to a water meter or a backflow preventer and plumb waste lines to within five feet from a building. CILB board member Bob Moody, who is a licensed Underground Utility & Excavation Contractor, agreed but further defined an exception that on a large commercial project, an UUEC can plumb potable water past the main meter up to and

including a main backflow preventer. Then a licensed plumber will plumb sub-meters. It was generally agreed that in the case of 1-4 residential units, the UUEC scope of authority to plumb potable water lines ends at the water meter. In larger commercial projects, the scope of the UUEC extends past the main water meter and ends with the main backflow preventer. After further discussion, Paul Del Vecchio made a motion not to make any changes to the current board rule and licensing language. There was a second, and the motion passed.

UUCF has also been actively involved in amending **61G4-12.011 F.A.C. - Definitions**

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UUCF remains active on the state level and has contributed to the betterment of the industry by input into several areas:

- Participated in and supported the creation of the Underground Utility and Excavation Contractors state certified contracting license.
- Participated in and supported the creation of the Contractor V classification which allows underground utility and excavation contractors to install underground fire lines.
- Instrumental in creating reauthorization and funding of Florida's Clean Water and Safety Drinking Water State Revolving fund.
- Monitoring legislation that affects our industry.
- Monitoring the activity of the Construction Industry Licensing Board (CILB).
- Providing alerts on FDOT proposed specification changes.

UUCF was instrumental in the drafting, introduction and passage of:

- A "Prompt Pay" bill for public construction – '89, '95, '01 & '10 Legislative Sessions.
- The "Trench Safety Act" – '90 Legislative Session.
- A "Prompt Pay" bill for the private sector – '92 Legislative Session.
- A voluntary "One Call" bill – '93 Legislative Session.
- The "Public Bid Disclosure Act" – '93 Legislative Session.
- The "Free Market Bill for Public Construction" – '94 Legislative Session.
- The repeal of the Health Care Mandate for state contractors – '95 Legislative Session.
- The "Student-Learner" bill – '96 Legislative Session.
- A mandatory "One Call" bill – '97 Legislative Session.
- Streamlining renewal and continuing education requirements for Contractor V licenseholders – '97 & '98 Legislative Sessions.
- A "Uniform Licensing" bill – '99 Legislative Session.
- Changes to "Competitive Bid", F.S. 255 – '99 & '09 Legislative Sessions.
- Increasing the administrative fines that may be imposed on unlicensed contracting – '01 Legislative Session.
- A major reform to "One Call" – '02 Legislative Session.
- Limiting the use of Owners Controlled Insurance Programs (OCIPs) – '04 Legislative Session.
- Prompt Pay/Retainage – '05 Legislative Session.
- Revisions to "One Call" including extending valid ticket information to 30 calendar days – '06 Legislative Session.
- Sales Tax Exemption Construction Material which revise the laws relating to direct purchase of construction materials by public entities – '10 Legislative Session.
- Worked with other business interest groups to secure passage of critical modifications to the Unemployment Compensation Laws of Florida – '11 Legislative Session.

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- Printed and distributed the Annual Construction Users Directory.
- Held its annual Tallahassee Summit.
- Published weekly From the Halls of the Capitol legislative reports during the Legislative Session.
- Kept its members up-to-date with e-mails pertaining to Legislative Updates and Alerts.
- Prepared its Annual Legislative Final Report.
- Was successful in securing passage of an amendment to Florida law requiring governmental entities to open sealed bids on public works projects at a public meeting.
- Maintained an active Lobbyist in Tallahassee.
- Monitored activities of the Florida Construction Industry Licensing Board (CILB).
- Monitored Florida Department of Transportation.
- Member of The Construction Coalition.
- Worked with Sunshine 811 and have a representative on their Board of Directors.
- Member of the Construction Industry Council of Central Florida (CICCF).
- Member of Florida TaxWatch.
- Held Annual Convention at The Ritz-Carlton Orlando, Grande Lakes in Orlando.
- Held Contractor's Day at Annual Convention.
- Held the Twelfth Annual Bass Fishing Tournament for the UUCF/Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Scholarship Foundation at Big Toho Marina in Kissimmee.
- Distributed \$23,000.00 in scholarships from the UUCF/Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Scholarship Foundation.
- Presented the Annual Construction Performance Awards for the *Mitchell Ellington Award*, *Gary D. Sawyer Award* and *Andrew J. Mayts Award*.
- Participated in the CILB rule development of the Irrigation Contractor Specialty License to ensure scope of work did not infringe upon the underground utility and excavation contractor license.
- Participated in the CILB rule modification to the definition of "services incidental thereto." This definition is used on FDOT projects.
- Was an Intervener in the "Paid Sick Leave" lawsuit proposed in Orange County.

Future UUCF Convention

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(FDOT – services incidental hereto). UUCF originally worked with FTBA and FDOT several years ago to address the issue of requiring licensed Underground Utility & Excavation Contractors to install sewer and water on FDOT projects. The revised rule now adds “tunnel” to those services. This issue has been debated by the CILB for the past several months. The latest version has been revised to remove the term “Prime Contractor” which is undefined and substituted the terms contractor and subcontractor. Also, a bright line of 50% of the contract amount was added for clarity. There was a motion, a second and the motion passed. This revision will now be noticed for

rule development.

The Florida Irrigation Society has approached the CILB regarding a proposed rule development to create a voluntary irrigation contractor’s license. Special thanks to UUCF President Bruce Wendorf who meet with representatives of the Florida Irrigation Society to ensure that the new voluntary license does not infringe on the scope of work of the Underground Utility & Excavation Contractors. The proposed rule has been reviewed over the past several months by the CILB, and **61G4-15.035 – Irrigation Contractors** has now been noticed for rule development.

Another new specialty contractor license that is being considered

by the CILB is **61G4-15.038 – Demolition Specialty Contractors**. The CILB was presented with two possible drafts of the scope of work for Demolition Specialty Contractors. The first version would require applicants seeking this license to take both parts of the exam: Business & Finance and some sort of trade knowledge exam to be developed. The second version would require applicants to take the business & finance version only. After a short discussion Drew recommended that the second version be accepted requiring only the Business & Finance exam. Paul Del Vecchio made a motion to accept the language in the second version, there was a second and the motion passed. This revision will now be noticed for rule development.

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President's Message



My New Year's resolution is . . . nothing!

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ourselves that we need time to think about how we are going to accomplish the goal, chart our progress, determine how much time it will take,

where the best place to do it is, how much it will cost, how much time it will take from other "really important things," how will the family react, who will be your support team, who will understand this very courageous and life changing experience you're about to go through, which friends will tell you "that's impossible," will it affect your work, will it cause you to start another really bad habit, will it cause

you to gain weight instead of losing it, what if your hair catches on fire, what if you're allergic, what if you start to panic, what if you start panicking, what if you panic, OMG – YOU'RE HYPERVENTILATING!!!

Truth is, any goal/resolution worth doing is worth starting immediately. Otherwise, the odds are heavily against you. I suggest you think big and achieve big, but don't wait until January 1. The satisfaction of achieving your goal starts when you start achieving your goal. Really . . . why wait!

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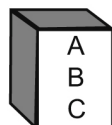
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Local Ordinances Update

Proposed Local Hiring Ordinance in St. Petersburg

The City of St. Petersburg is considering a Local Hiring Ordinance aimed at helping to lower the unemployment rate among residents. The Local Hiring Program will involve construction projects of \$2 million or more. Contractors and subcontractors will be required to hire local residents to perform at least 50 percent of work hours. The program will cover local residents who reside within Pinellas County. To be eligible, a resident must reside in Pinellas County for at least six months prior to the start of a construction project and must maintain his or her residence during the term of the contract.

The City recently held workshops on the proposal to get feedback from various stakeholders. Representatives from SUCA as well as UUCF Executive Vice President Bruce Kershner attended one of those workshops to express their concerns and argue against the adoption of the proposed ordinance. SUCA presented a white paper to the city outlining their concerns. SUCA members believe the ordinance restricts free trade and all principals of economic freedom. They believe in fair and open competition that fosters best value for public construction for taxpayers. On November 19th, the City Council voted to delay the vote on the ordinance until January 10,

2013. The reason for doing so was to avoid having to pay \$150,000 to study the hiring practices of construction firms.

SUCA and UUCF will continue to monitor this issue.

Orange County Petition Drive for "Paid Sick Leave" Doesn't Make Ballot

UUCF joined in support of local and statewide business organizations in filing a legal injunction against the Citizens for a Greater Orange County (CGOC) political committee relating to the CGOC's petition drive to place a paid sick leave measure

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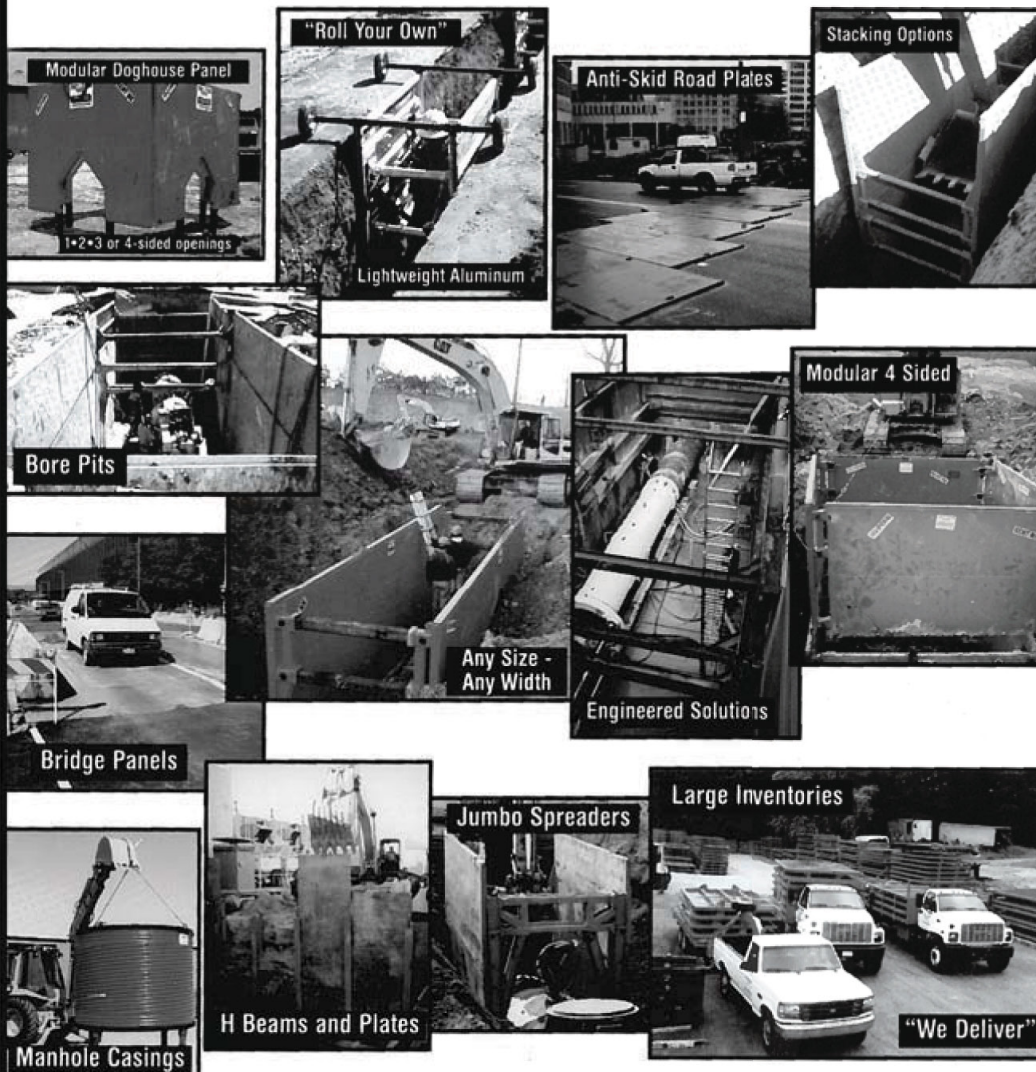
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December 12, 2012

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workers' Compensation
WEB Based class

December 13, 2012

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workplace Safety
WEB Based class

January 9, 2013

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workers' Compensation
WEB Based class

January 10, 2013

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workplace Safety
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January 15, 2013


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February 7, 2013

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Workplace Safety
WEB Based class

February 8, 2013

Lantana
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
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Calendar of Events

UUCF 2013

Feb. 1 Board of Director's Meeting, Orlando
Mar. 1-2 UUCF/ASJMSF Annual Bass Fishing
 Tournament, Lake Toho, Kissimmee
Mar. (TBA)..... Board of Director's Meeting, Tallahassee
June 7 Board of Director's Meeting, Orlando
July 25 Board of Director's Meeting,
 Boca Raton Resort & Club, Boca Raton
July 25-28 Annual Convention,
 Boca Raton Resort & Club, Boca Raton
Nov. 1 Board of Director's Meeting, Orlando

NUCA of North Florida 2012

Dec. 8 Holiday Party
Dec. 10 Executive Committee Meeting

2013

Jan. 8 Executive Committee Meeting
Jan. 17 Installation of Officers Meeting
Feb. 5 Executive Committee Meeting
Mar. 12 Executive Committee Meeting
Mar. 18 Golf Tournament
Mar. 28 General Membership Meeting
Apr. 9 Executive Committee Meeting
May 14 Executive Committee Meeting
May 23 Jacksonville Suns Baseball
June 11 Executive Committee Meeting
July 9 Executive Committee Meeting
July 18 General Membership Meeting
Aug. 13 Executive Committee Meeting
Sept. 10 Executive Committee Meeting
Sept. 19 General Membership Meeting
Sept. (TBA)..... Clay Shoot, WW Sporting Clay
Oct. 8 Executive Committee Meeting
Oct. (TBA) Fishing Tournament
Nov. 5 Executive Committee Meeting
Nov. 21 Election of Officers
Dec. 10 Executive Committee Meeting
Dec. (TBA) Holiday Party

NUCA of Northwest Florida 2013

Feb. 1 Sunshine 811 Excavator Luncheon
Mar. 15 Clay Shoot
Apr. (TBA) Confined Space Entry Program
June 15 In Shore Fishing Tournament
Sept. (TBA) General Membership Meeting
Oct. 26 Equipment Rodeo, Equestrian Center
Nov. 16 Annual Meeting, Museum of Commerce

NUCA of Southwest Florida 2012

Dec. 1 Holiday Party, & Installation of Officers &
 Directors, Holiday Inn Gulf Coast Town Center

2013

Jan. 17 Board of Directors/General Membership
 Meetings
Feb. 21 Board of Directors/General Membership
 Meetings
Mar. 21 Board of Director's Meeting
Apr. 18 Board of Directors/General Membership
 Meetings
May 4 Golf Tournament
May 16 Board of Director's Meeting
June 20 Board of Directors/General Membership
 Meetings/Scholarship Awards
July 18 Board of Director's Meeting
Aug. 15 Board of Directors/General Membership
 Meetings
Sept. 20-21 Fishing Tournament
Sept. 26 Board of Director's Meeting
Oct. 17 Board of Directors/General Membership
 Meetings
Nov. 21 Board of Director's Meeting
Dec. 7 Holiday Party & Installation of Officers

SUCA 2012

Dec. 1 Holiday Banquet, Tampa Club, Tampa

National Utility Contractors Association (NUCA) 2013

Feb. 10-14 Convention,
 Sheraton Phoenix Downtown Hotel, Phoenix, AZ
Oct. 2-6 Fall Board of Directors and Leadership
 Meeting, El Conquistador in Las Croabas, Puerto Rico

Sunshine 811 Meetings 2012

Nov. 15 Committee Meetings, DeBary Call Center
Nov. 16 Board of Director's Meeting,
 DeBary Call Center

2013

Jan. 18 Executive Committee Meeting,
 Conference Call
Mar. 12-14 CGA Excavation Safety Conference
 & Expo, West Palm Beach





**Construction Industry Licensing Board (CILB)
Meetings
2013**

Jan. 9–11	Residence Inn, Tallahassee
Feb. 13–15	Embassy Suites Orlando–North, Altamonte Springs
Mar. 13–15	TBA
Apr. 10–12	Mission Inn Resort & Club, Howey-in-the-Hills
May 8–10	Hyatt Regency Jacksonville Riverfront, Jacksonville
June 12–14	Embassy Suites – Fort Lauderdale, Fort Lauderdale
July 10–12	TBA
Aug. 14–16	The Ritz–Carlton Sarasota, Sarasota
Sept. 11–13	TBA
Oct. 9–11	TBA
Nov. 13–15	TBA

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- Monitoring of the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)
- Providing alerts on FDOT proposed specification changes
- Scholarship opportunities through the UUCF/ Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Scholarship Foundation

Please see **Page 8** and **Page 10** for a complete list of UUCF accomplishments over the years as well as what UUCF accomplished in 2012.

Thank you for your support. Your UUCF membership and active participation in the work of this association is greatly valued. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the UUCF office at (407) 830–1880.

Sunshine 811 2012 Holiday Calendar

Christmas Eve	12/24/12
Christmas Day	12/25/12

2013 Holiday Calendar

New Year's Day	01/01/13
Martin Luther King Day	01/21/13
Memorial Day	05/27/13
Independence Day	07/04/13
Labor Day	09/02/13
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Chapter News

NUCA of North Florida

We had a beautiful day for our We had a very successful membership drive in October with a total increase of 19! The following companies joined our association: **Contractors:** Atlantic Coast Excavating LLC; AWA Contracting Co. Inc.; Brown & Luke Contracting, Inc.; Capps Land Management and Materials; Coastal Utility Constructors; Marietta Sand Corp.; PBM Constructors, Inc.; RTLS Land Services, LLC; and United Service Connection, LLC.

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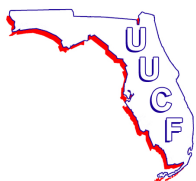
Contractors: All Pro Asphalt and Armstrong Fence Co. It couldn't

have been done without the time and energy of our Direct Drive teams and those that attended the Direct Drive class: Ryan Schmitt, Rick Erickson, Kim Bryan, Rob Pinkston, Blake Bowmaster, Brian Pate, Tony Zebouni, Donnie Wynn, David McClintock, Chris Blank, John Shiver, Ed Porter, Mike Gruber, Lauren Atwell, Bill Bocchino, John Kirkland, Tony Bradley, Jamie Saalfeld, Todd Howell and Billy Hood. And of course, a huge thank you to the companies that sponsored our incentive package: Regan Zebouni, P.A.; Petticoat-Schmitt Civil Contractors, Inc.; Staff Zone; Ferguson Waterworks, Inc.; United Rentals Trench Safety; Holland Pump; Thompson Pump and Mfg. Co., Inc.; Ellis & Associates, Inc.; Beard Equipment Company; Ring Power Corporation; and HD

Supply Waterworks. Last but not least, a thank you to our corporate sponsors: Lippes & Bryan and Petticoat-Schmitt Civil Contractors, Inc. We are grateful to A. J. Johns, Inc. for the use of their training center to host the membership drive.

We had a great turnout for our November Election of Officers meeting. We are excited to have a number of new board members who will begin serving in January 2013. Bill Gulliford, Vice President of the Jacksonville City Council, was our guest speaker. Bill updated us on issues of concern to our industry and members were given an opportunity to ask questions.

2013 Membership dues invoices will be mailed on December 3. Payment is due January 31. Please



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contact Kathy at (904) 296-1230 if you have questions or need any additional information.

Our holiday party will be held on Saturday, December 8 at the Cody Enrichment Center from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$40 per person.

Our Officer installation and Annual Meeting will be held on Thursday, January 17 at 6:00 p.m. at Maggiano's at the town center. Look for registration information coming soon.

Have you registered yet for the NUCA Convention? This year's convention will be held February 10-14 in Phoenix, Arizona at the Sheraton Phoenix Downtown. A schedule of events and registration information is available at www.nuca.com.

NUCA of Northwest Florida

NUCA of Northwest Florida held its Second Annual Equipment Rodeo on October 27 at the Equestrian Center. The winners this year were:

Megan Hall – Ladies Zero Turn;
Robert Davis – Men's Zero Turn;
Aaron Nelson – Amateur Event;
Brown Construction of Northwest Florida Team – First Place; Southern Utility Team – Second Place; Utility Service Company Team – Third place; Terry Gay with Southern Utility – Individual First place; Robert Davis with Utility Service Company – Individual Second place; and Ben Joyner with Pensacola Concrete Construction Company, Inc. – Individual Third place.

Special thanks to our sponsors. "We could not have done it without you:" Brown Construction of Northwest Florida, Coastal Machinery Company; Cowin Equipment Company; Pensacola Concrete Construction Company, Inc.; and Utility Service Company. Rubber & Specialties: Coastal Construction Products; Daniels Commercial Insurance; J M Eagle; M & H Valve; Saltmarsh, Cleaveland & Gund; Thompson Tractor Company; and W. R. Mitchell.

Congratulations to Ronnie Smith for winning the Kubota Zero Turn Mower which was raffled off.

We also held our Murder Mystery Dinner on November 10 at the Museum of Commerce (Deadwood Saloon) and had a great time. Everyone dressed in character and participated in solving the murder mystery. Brad Martin, who was our murder victim, won Drama Queen for his role as Mitch Maverick. Jordan Lee won Best Dressed for his costume as Billy-the-Bartender. Carolyn Smith, who played Taffy Garrett, won the Money Bag Award for collecting the most bribes and payments for the evening. Glenn Lieser (Clay Coldwell), Crystal Jackson (Minnie Money) and Two Travelers (Jerry & Anita Lagos) solved the "Who Dunit." We are looking forward to holding another murder mystery dinner next year.

We will be starting our year off with an Excavator Luncheon sponsored by Sunshine 811. We are in the process of working out the details



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and should have more available next month.

NUCA of Southwest Florida

NUCA of Southwest Florida held its Bi-Annual "Digging Florida's Future" Trade Show on October 25, 2012 at the Harborside Event Center in downtown Fort Myers, Florida. There were 56 Exhibitors and approximately 400 guests including many southwest Florida contractors, engineers and suppliers. Municipality attendance included Bonita Springs Utilities, Charlotte County Utilities, City of Cape Coral, Collier County, Desoto County Utilities, City of Fort Myers, Town of Fort Myers Beach, Lee County, Lee County DOT, Lee County Natural Resources, Lee County Utilities, Greater Pine Island Water, City of Punta Gorda, Port LaBelle Utility and the City of Punta Gorda Utilities.

David Scafidi, Vice President of Mitchell & Stark Construction, was our Trade Show Chairman and Master of Ceremonies. Thanks to our sponsors and exhibitors generous support this year, David was able to give away approximately 60 prizes to our guests! Many thanks to the Trade Show Committee – Mike McDonnell, Mark McFalls, Jerry Hass, Kathy Moore and Tim Wise – and all of our volunteers for making the Trade Show a success!

Our next General Membership meeting is scheduled for January 17, 2013 at the Holiday Inn Gulf Coast Town Center in Fort Myers.

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on the November 6, 2012 ballot in Orange County. The petition would have required all Orange County businesses with 15 or more employees to provide up to 56 hours per year of sick pay to employees. Employers with less than 15 employees would not have to meet the above requirement; however, the employer cannot retaliate against a

person who takes sick time.

Thirteen (13) Interveners (including UUCF) joined the original six (6) Co-Plaintiffs in the legal injunction against CGOC. After a short legal battle the Co-Plaintiffs and Interveners prevailed, and the measure was not placed on the ballot in November.

This will not be the last we hear about this issue. Look for this to be a legislative issue during the 2013 Legislative Session starting on Tuesday, March 5, 2013. Business groups are looking at legislation that would preempt local governments from adopting these types of ordinances.

(Division of Workers' Compensation Offers Free Classes Continued from Page 19)

February 21, 2013

Pensacola
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
Division of Workers' Compensation
610 East Burgess Road
Pensacola, FL 32504

March 6, 2013

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workers' Compensation
WEB Based class

March 7, 2013

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workplace Safety
WEB Based class

March 12, 2013

Orlando
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
State Office Building
Hurston Complex, 400 West
Robinson Street, South Tower,
Conference Room N-101
Orlando, FL 32801

March 19, 2013

Miramar/Pembroke Pines
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
Miramar Pembroke Pines Regional
Chamber of Commerce

March 21, 2013

Tallahassee
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
Hartman Building
2012 Capital Circle S.E., Room 102
Tallahassee, FL 32399

April 10, 2013

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workers' Compensation
WEB Based class

April 11, 2013

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workplace Safety
WEB Based class

May 8, 2013

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workers' Compensation
WEB Based class

May 9, 2013

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workplace Safety
WEB Based class

June 5, 2013

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workers' Compensation
WEB Based class

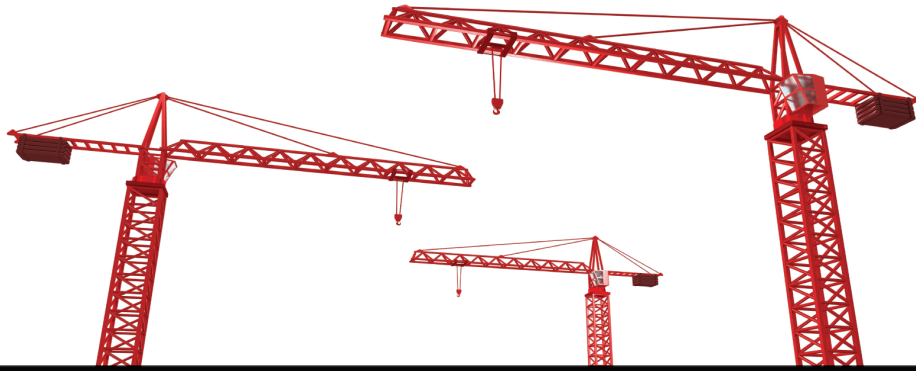
June 6, 2013

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workplace Safety
WEB Based class

The Division of Workers' Compensation is an authorized provider (Provider Number: 0004354) for continuing education purposes through the CILB. Course Number: 0010118 – one hour satisfies the workers' compensation requirement and Course Number: 0010630 – one hour satisfies the workplace safety requirement.

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





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