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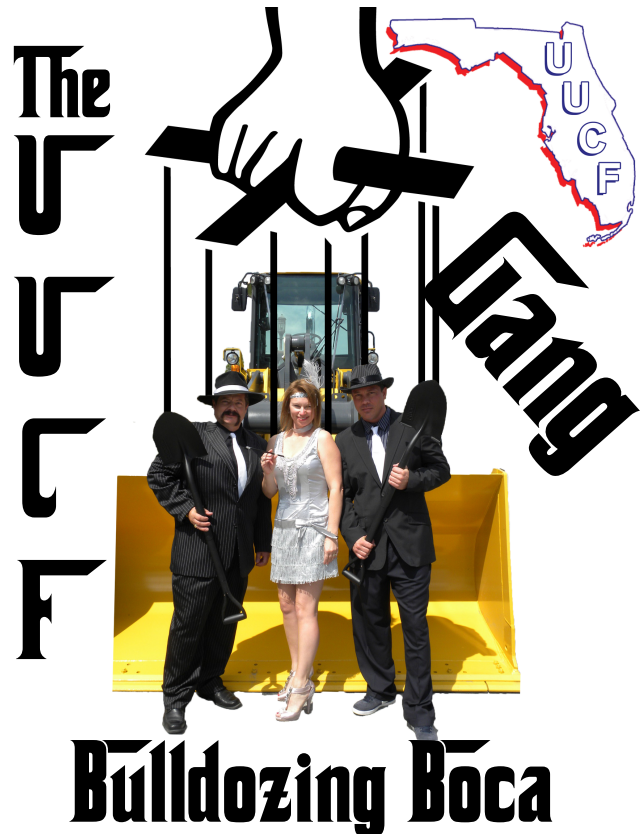
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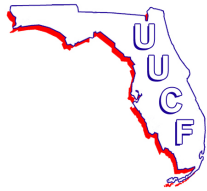
UUCF 2013 Annual Conference

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UUCF President's Cup Golf Tournament

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**Underground Utility Contractors of Florida
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Annual President's Cup Golf Tournament
on September 27–29, 2013
PGA National Resort & Spa
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After taking a year off, UUCF is pleased to announce that it will be holding its President's Cup Golf Tournament at PGA National Resort & Spa in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida on September 27–29, 2013.

This year, UUCF will be offering individuals a choice in the location of their sleeping accommodations in either the Resort or Cottage Quads. The Resort rooms will feature two double beds. The Cottage Quads feature two bedrooms (each with two double beds), two complete baths, a large living room, flat-screen television, a fully-equipped kitchen, washer and dryer and an outdoor terrace. **Register on or before to May 31, 2013, and you'll receive a \$50.00 per person discount. We'll even wait until June 1, 2013 to send you an invoice.** The registration fees are as follows:

| <u>Room Type</u> | <u>Registration received in UUCF office on or before May 31, 2013</u> | <u>Registration received in UUCF office on or after June 1, 2013</u> |
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| Resort Room <i>(based on per person and double occupancy)</i> | \$598.40 | \$648.40 |
| Cottage Quads <i>(based on per person and quad occupancy)</i> | \$560.40 | \$610.40 |

**Hurry. The deadline
has been extended
to June 28, 2013.**

As with past years, there will be different sponsorship opportunities in which your company can participate. Sponsorship categories cost from as little as \$100.00 to \$1,000.00.

UUCF will be hosting a Hospitality Suite which will be located in the Resort rooms area (number 9). The cottage quads are located by the Squire Golf Course (number 21).



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UUCF 2013 Conference

UUCF will be holding its 2013 Conference at the Boca Raton Resort & Club in Boca Raton, Florida on July 25–28. This year's Conference Theme is *UUCF Gang . . . Bulldozing Boca.*

This year's Conference Committee has secured a run of the house guest room rate of \$180.00 per night, single/double occupancy, for a Cloister Deluxe guest room and \$210.00 per night, single/double occupancy, for a Tower Estate View guest room. **Room block expires on Saturday, June 22, 2013.**

For your convenience, the Hotel Registration Form can be found on **Page 28** in this issue of the *Ditchmen* or [click here](#) to find on the UUCF website. Watch your e-mails and future issues of the *Ditchmen* for additional information.

Situated on 356 acres in fabled South Florida, Boca Raton Resort & Club, A Waldorf Astoria Resort, carefully combines a fresh look and modern amenities, while embracing the purpose and design of the original vision of renowned architect Addison Mizner. This eclectic, private village offers the best of all worlds: a renowned spa, championship golf and tennis, expansive beach and luxury marina – all just steps from your door. Exquisite accommodations within this captivating hotel are presented within five distinct settings ranging from the ultra-luxe Beach Club to the sleek, contemporary Boca Bungalows. With deep roots in the past, this completely unique hotel is truly a destination for the future.

The UUCF office is currently accepting sponsors for the 2013 Platinum, Gold, Silver and Bronze Sponsorship Programs.

UUCF would like to thank the following companies for committing to be a Platinum Sponsor for this year's conference: **GrayRobinson, P.A.**

and **Sunshine 811**. UUCF would like to thank the following companies for committing to be a Gold Sponsor for this year's conference: **Beard Equipment Co.; Efficiency Shoring & Supply; HD Supply Waterworks; Linder Industrial Machinery Company; Nortrax, Inc.; Ring Power Corporation; and Utility Service Company, Inc.** UUCF would like to thank the following companies for committing to be a Silver Sponsor for this year's conference: **Acme Barricades Company, LLP; Forsberg Construction, Inc.; LGM Contracting Inc/Merucci Equipment Company; Petticoat-Schmitt Civil Contractors, Inc. (2 slots); Suncoast Utility Contractors Association; Utility Service Company, Inc.; Valenti, Trobec & Woody, Inc.; and Xylem, Inc.** UUCF would like to thank the following companies for committing to be a Bronze Sponsor for this year's

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UUCF is still accepting Platinum Sponsors for the 2013 Conference. To become a Platinum Sponsor, the cost is \$3,000.00. Platinum Sponsors are entitled to the following benefits:

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- Your company name listed with other Gold Sponsors in our conference program which will be given to all attendees.
- Choice of six months of a full page advertisement or one year of a half page advertisement in *Ditchmen* magazine.
- Discount on one table top

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- First option on returning as a Gold Sponsor for the 2014 Conference.

UUCF is still accepting Silver Sponsors for the 2013 Conference. To become a Silver Sponsor, the cost is \$500.00 per slot. As a Silver Sponsor, you may buy as many slots and choose which events you would like to sponsor or co-sponsor. Silver Sponsors are entitled to the following benefits:

- Choice of two months of a full page advertisement or four months of a half page advertisement in *Ditchmen* magazine.
- A handsome printed sponsor sign displayed at the event you choose (i.e., This Reception is Proudly Sponsored or Co-Sponsored by "Your Company Name").
- Your company name will be listed with other Silver Sponsors in our conference brochure which will be given to all attendees.
- Discount on one table top display at Contractor's Day on Friday, July 26.
- First option on returning as a Silver Sponsor for the 2014 Conference.

UUCF is still accepting Bronze Sponsors for the 2013 Conference. To become a Bronze Sponsor,

the cost is between \$100.00 and \$250.00. Bronze Sponsors are entitled to the following benefits:

- The firm's name will be displayed on the Bronze Sponsor board located at the registration desk for maximum exposure.
- Listing in descriptive literature of pledge if received by June 28, 2013.
- First option of returning as a Bronze Sponsor for the 2014 Conference.

If your company is interested in becoming a Platinum, Gold, Silver or Bronze Sponsor, please contact the UUCF office at (407) 830-1880.

This year's Conference Chairperson is Kim Bryan with Petticoat-Schmitt Civil Contractors, Inc. Other members of the Conference Committee consist of: Lauren Atwell, Layne Heavy Civil, Inc.; Bill Davis, HDSupplyWaterworks; Larry Falls, Associated Construction Products, Inc.; Paula Lieser, Pensacola Concrete Construction Company, Inc.; and NUCA of Northwest Florida Executive Director; Chris Stewart, Xylem, Inc.; Kathy Blackman, NUCA of North Florida Executive Director; Rhonda Cason, NUCA of Northwest Florida; and Misty McKendree, SUCA Executive Director.

This year, UUCF will be holding Contractor's Day on Friday, July 26. Contractor's Day will consist of table

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

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top displays as well as breakout sessions with industry guest speakers. The topics include:

- *Which Critical Trends are Driving the Future of the Construction Industry? and Developing Fact-Based Strategy to Increase Your Company's Chances for Success in the Future* presented by Randal G. Stutzman, Managing Director of FMI Corporation.
- *The Impacts on Business of the Patient Protection & Affordable Care Act (aka ObamaCare)* presented by Jim Rogan, Senior Vice President Corporation Benefits Division of M.E. Wilson Co., Inc.
- FDOT Update presented by David Sadler (Director, Office of Construction), Rudy Powell (State Construction Engineer) and Stefanie Maxwell (State Construction Special Engineer).

Registration forms were e-mailed to the membership on May 20. The deadline to receive the discounted rate is Friday, June 28. [Click here](#) for the registration forms.

The UUCF Conference Committee is holding a Roaring Raffle which will benefit the UUCF general fund. UUCF will announce the winner of the raffle at the Conference on Saturday, July 27; however, you need not be present to win. For additional information on the Roaring Raffle and the form, please see [Page 27](#) in this issue of the *Ditchmen*.



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UUCF Schedules President's Cup Golf Tournament

Come and enjoy three wonderful days and two nights at PGA National Resort & Spa in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida on September 27–29. You will enjoy three fun-filled days of golfing on three different 18 hole courses. Participants will have the opportunity to play on the Squire Course on Friday, Champion Course on Saturday and Palmer 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.

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 most exacting of the courses at PGA National. Accuracy with fairway woods 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 areas teeming with vegetation and wildlife – the 5th hole even runs along part of a wilderness preserve, which borders the west side of the PGA

National community.

Last renovated: Fall 2012 (new turf, rebuilt bunkers, expanded tee and green complexes).

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 spring on the PGA TOUR. Although the Champion has generous landing areas and spacious and accepting TifEagle 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

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Cup Golf Tournament
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course more playable for golfers of all levels. A must-play on any avid golfer's list, the Champion features the Bear Trap, which spans three demanding holes designed by Jack Nicklaus

Last renovated: Fall 2012 (new turf, rebuilt bunkers, expanded tee and green complexes).

Palmer Course – Named after its designer, Arnold Palmer, this course is one of the more forgiving at PGA National from tee to fairway, known as a risk/reward game. 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 here. 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 par 5s on the property.

This year, UUCF will be offering individuals a choice in the location of their sleeping accommodations in either the Resort or Cottage Quads. The Resort rooms feature two double beds. The Cottage Quads feature two rooms each with double beds on each side of a living room, dining room and kitchen. **Register prior to June 1, 2013, you'll received a \$50.00 per person discount, and we won't send you an invoice until June 1, 2013.** The cost is as follows:

**Registration received in UUCF
Office on or before May 31,
2013**

Resort Room – \$598.40
(per person based on double occupancy)
Cottage Quads – \$560.40
(per person based on quad

occupancy)

**Registration received in UUCF
office on or after June 1, 2013**

Resort Room – \$648.40
(per person based on double occupancy)
Cottage Quads – \$610.40
(per person based on quad occupancy)

Also, two man teams that register now for the golf tournament can delay payment until after June 1, 2013.

The entry fee includes three rounds of golf for the tournament, two nights' accommodation, breakfast on Saturday and Sunday, two \$30.00 vouchers good for dinner on Saturday and Sunday night, 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 and ball in the circle 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 \$170.00. However, for golfers who purchase the Survival Kit prior to the first day of the tournament, the cost is only \$160.00. 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) or four people (two bedrooms, two double beds) per Cottage Quad.

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 tournament.

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- **Hospitality Suite Sponsors** at \$500.00 (two slots available). Two sponsors will be recognized on signage located in the Hospitality Suite throughout the tournament. Hospitality Suite sponsors will also be permitted to display their company's promotional items in the Hospitality Suite throughout the tournament.
- **Beverage Cart Sponsors** at \$350.00 each (unlimited slots available). All sponsors will be recognized on signage on the beverage cart during tournament play.
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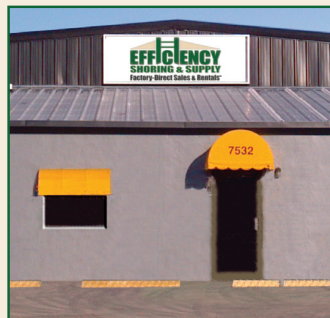


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The UUCF/Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Scholarship Foundation, Inc. (UUCF/ASJMSF) is pleased to announce that its scholarship application is now available. The scholarship application is available to any employee and/or their immediate family member (i.e., child, grandchild, etc.) who is employed by a company that is a member of UUCF. The applicant must be a senior graduating from high school who will be enrolling in an accredited two- or four-year college

or university for the year beginning in August or September 2013 or an individual who is currently attending an undergraduate two- or four-year accredited college or university for the year beginning in August or September 2013. The enrollment may be in a curriculum of any number of years but the scholarship will not exceed one year. (Applicants must be affiliated with a UUCF member in good standing with dues paid at the time of application. Out of state branches of member companies are not eligible.) Any

company or individual who sponsors the UUCF/ASJMSF Annual Bass Tournament in the year the scholarship is being distributed may also apply.

The UUCF/ASJMSF was established in memory of the son of a Past President of UUCF, Scott J. Johnson (Johnson-Davis, Inc.). On December 28, 1999, Andrew "Andy" Scott Johnson was killed in an automobile accident. Andy

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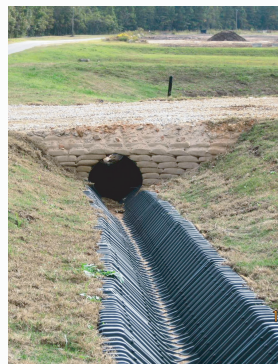
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Alachua, Columbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Jefferson, Lafayette, Levy, Madison, Marion, Suwannee, Taylor

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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, 2013. 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



A lesson in history.
This year's UUCF Conference will

be held in Boca Raton. So, let's review some interesting history.

1895 – Henry Flagler's F.E.C. railroad arrives in Boca Raton and later Miami, opening South Florida to development.

Thomas Rickards, surveyor and engineer, builds the first house on the north shore of Lake Boca Raton. He clears and plats the area for Flagler's Model Land Company.

1904 – Japanese colonists arrive in Boca Raton to farm pineapples on



land purchased from Flagler. The Yamato Colony is formed. The colony numbers 40 by 1908. Later that year a blight destroys

the pineapple crop. By the 1920s most of the colony has left Florida seeking other prospects.

1905 – Boca Raton's first wood-plank bridge is built across the Hillsborough River (today's El Rio Canal) to reach land west of town.

1908 – George Long's packing house serves as Boca's first classroom until a one-room

schoolhouse is constructed by the end of the year.

1909 – Palm Beach becomes Florida's newest county.

1913 – Harley and Harriet Gates arrive in Boca Raton and purchase five acres along the canal (today's Intracoastal), naming it Palmetto Park Plantation. The homestead gives its name to the principal east-west road.

1915 – A telephone line, the Board of Trade and the Power and Light Company bring Boca Raton out of the pioneer era.

1917 – A manually operated

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Hope to see you all at the UUCF President's Cup Golf Tournament on September 27-29 at PGA National Resort & Spa in Palm Beach Gardens.

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was 19 years of age. He was an honor student and a 1998 graduate of Pope John Paul II High School. He was a sophomore at Vanderbilt University. He loved the outdoors, all kinds of sports, especially Lacrosse, music and sport fishing. Andy was especially dedicated and loyal to his many friends and family.

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

- Direct and Indirect Costs
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The following is a list of class dates and times for future sessions:

June 4, 2013

Orlando
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
State Office Building
Hurston Complex, 400 West
Robinson Street, South
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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

June 11, 2013

Tallahassee
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July 10, 2013

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

July 11, 2013


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

August 7, 2013

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
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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.





Calendar of Events

UUCF

June 7.....Board of Director's Meeting, Orlando
July 25.....Board of Director's Meeting,
Boca Raton Resort & Club, Boca Raton
July 25-28Annual Conference,
Boca Raton Resort & Club, Boca Raton
Sept. 27-29President's Cup Golf Tournament,
PGA National Resort & Spa, Palm Beach Gardens
Nov. 1.....Board of Director's Meeting, Orlando

NUCA of North Florida

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

June 15.....In Shore Fishing Tournament,
Paradise Bar, Pensacola Beach
July 11.....After Hours Event,
The Fish House, Pensacola
Oct. 12Equipment Rodeo, Equestrian Center

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Feb. (TBA).....Annual Meeting, Museum of Commerce

NUCA of Southwest Florida

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. 20-21Fishing Tournament
Sept. 26.....Board of Director's Meeting
Oct. 17Board of Directors/General Membership
Meetings
Nov. 21.....Board of Director's Meeting
Dec. 7.....Holiday Party & Installation of Officers

National Utility Contractors Association (NUCA)

Oct. 2-4.....Fall Board of Directors and Leadership
Meeting, El Conquistador in Las Croabas, Puerto Rico

Sunshine 811 Meetings

June 21.....Executive Committee Meeting,
Conference Call
July 17-19Strategic Planning, Committee Meetings
and Board Meeting, TBA
Oct. 18Executive Committee Meeting,
Conference Call
Nov. 14-15Committee & Board of Director's
Meetings, Call Center, DeBary

Construction Industry Licensing Board (CILB) Meetings

June 12-14Embassy Suites - Fort Lauderdale
July 10-12Hilton St. Augustine Historic Bayfront,
St. Augustine
Aug. 14-16The Ritz-Carlton Sarasota
Sept. 11-13TBA
Oct. 9-11The Florida Hotel & Conference Center,
Orlando
Nov. 13-15TBA

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drawbridge on Palmetto Park Road makes the beach easily reached.

1920 – Boca Raton's masonry elementary school opens. Farming is the area's main industry.

1923 – J. C. and Floy Mitchell move to Boca Raton and become successful in real estate during the land boom. J. C. is Mayor from 1939–1949. Later, they lead a drive to build a community church on land donated by Floy's father.

The first bridge at the Boca Raton Inlet is a fixed wooden span.

1925 – The town of Boca Raton is incorporated.

Palm Beach architect, Addison Mizner, arrives in Boca Raton. He hopes to create an entire city with his Development Corporation. He plans to develop a 1600-acre tract of Mediterranean style structures for commercial and residential use.

1926 – Mizner's Cloister Inn opens as a Ritz-Carlton Investment Corporation project. Though his Development Corporation failed within two years, the opening of his hotel sparked a promotional build up that ultimately turned Boca Raton from a sleepy village into a resort community.

1927 – Town Hall, originally designed by Mizner, is not completed as the architect goes bankrupt. Instead, it is scaled down and finished by Delray Beach architect, William Alsmeyer. It houses the volunteer Fire Department and its first engine, "Old Betsy."

Clarence Geist buys the Cloister Inn for \$71,000 at a courthouse door sale assuming \$7 million of the Mizner Development Corporation's debt.

1930 – The first railroad passenger station in Boca Raton is constructed at Geist's request at Camino Real and Dixie Highway. Enlarging the Cloister Inn, Geist creates the private Boca Raton Club. He builds the Cabana Club, south of the inlet, offering 200 private beach cabanas, informal dining rooms and card lounges. The Boca Raton Inlet is dredged for clear passage.

1936 – Boca Raton's first airport is a New Deal WPA project obtained through the efforts of Clarence Geist.

1942 – The U.S. enters WWII. Boca Raton's airport and coastal locale make it ideal for an Army Base. The Army takes over the Boca Raton Club for offices, classrooms, and barracks. The U.S. Government acquires 5,860 acres from more than 100 property owners to construct an air base. The Boca Raton Army Airfield is the air

Sunshine 811 Holiday Calendar

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| January 29 | February 26 |
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Chapter News

NUCA of North Florida

Applications are now available for our two scholarships, the *J. Richard Baker Sr. Scholarship* and *Mike Allen Scholarship*. The *J. Richard Baker Scholarship* is a \$2,000 one-time award to a high school student or high school graduate who is the daughter or son of a NUCA of North Florida member company employee, and will be enrolling full or part time in an academic institution of higher education, beginning this summer/fall. The *Mike Allen Scholarship* is a \$1,000 one-time award for a high school Sr., High School graduate, Undergraduate College Student or Graduate Student who is the daughter or son of a NUCA of North Florida member company employee, who is enrolled or will be enrolling full- or part-time in an academic institution of higher

education, beginning this summer/fall. Application deadline is June 1. Scholarships are also available from the UUCF/Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Scholarship Foundation.

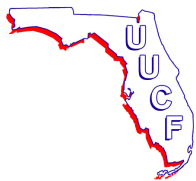
We are excited to report that our chapter received several awards at the NUCA Washington summit. Kim Bryan received the *Outstanding Contribution by a Chapter President Award*. We also received an honorable mention for the *William H. Clausen Award for Community Service* for our Red, White & Blue Donation Campaign for Seamark Ranch. Our monthly electronic newsletter, *The Flow*, won the periodic *Publication Award*, and we also received an award for our website.

Petticoat-Schmitt Civil Contractors, Inc. received NUCA's *Overall*

Safety Award for 2012. In the five year history of Petticoat-Schmitt Civil Contractors, Inc., the company was the recipient of the 2010 *William H. Feather Safety Award* and received honorable mention in 2011. Congratulations to all our friends at Petticoat-Schmitt!

We are pleased to welcome MacKinnon Equipment & Services as a new Associate member. MacKinnon Equipment & Sales is a full service JCB construction equipment dealer with locations in Jacksonville, Orlando, Tampa, Florida and Tifton, Georgia. They have been in business as an equipment dealer for 31 years and added the JCB line in 2010.

Save the date for these upcoming events: Our Second Annual Sporting Clay Challenge is on September 12,



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To place an advertisement in the Ditchmen, please contact the UUCF office at the following:

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and our Annual Fishing Tournament is on October 12.

NUCA of Northwest Florida

Our Inshore Plus Fishing Tournament will be held on June 15. It will be held at the Paradise Bar and Grill on Pensacola Beach. The fish categories will be Red Snapper, Trout, Flounder, Red Fish, Sheepshead, Bass and the Trash Can Slam. This year, we will be opening it up to the public in our area. We will have an Angler, Ladies and Junior Divisions. Sponsorship is available as well. A percentage of our proceeds will be donated to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

We held a Confined Space class last month with a good turnout. Our next class will be held in September and will be the Competent Person Training. Thanks to United Rentals for participating in our training.

NUCA of Southwest Florida

NUCA of Southwest Florida held their Annual Scholarship Golf

Tournament at Old Corkscrew Golf Club on May 4 in Estero at the #1 rated Jack Nicklaus signature golf course in Southwest Florida.

Thanks to everyone that participated and made the tournament a success. We are very appreciative of the support from our Sponsors! **Major Sponsors:** Advanced Drainage Systems, Ajax Paving Industries, All Star Equipment Rentals and Sales—Fort Myers, APAC—Southeast, Inc., Cast Systems, Denco Construction, Fortiline Waterworks, HD Supply Waterworks, Iron Planet, J. P. Murphy, Inc., Linder Industrial Machinery, Mader Electric Motors, Nortrax, Inc., Oldcastle Precast, Inc., Port Consolidated, Valenti, Trobec & Woody. **Tee/Green Sponsors:** B & J Linings, B C Underground, Boyd Irrigation, Curb Systems of SW Florida, Eric'Sons, Ferguson Waterworks, Forsberg Construction, Griffin Pipe Products, Guymann Construction, Haskins, Inc., Holland Pump Company, Maximo Equipment Company, McWane/Clow Ductile

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Congratulations to our Tournament Winners: **Gross Score: First Place** – DMC's Relentless Customs. **Second Place** – Valenti, Trobec & Woody. **Third Place** – Tomahawk Construction/Iron Planet. **Net Score: First Place** – Fortiline Waterworks. **Second Place** – Mader Electric Motors. **Third Place** – Ferguson Waterworks.

Our next Membership Meeting and Scholarship Awards will be June 13 at the Holiday Inn Airport/Gulf Coast Town Center, Social hour at 5:45 p.m., Dinner meeting at 6:45 p.m. Please RSVP by email to nucaswfl@gmail.com or by phone at (239) 939-1952.



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UUCF Associate Member Professional Shoring & Supply is Now Efficiency Shoring & Supply

Efficiency Production, Inc., America's leading manufacturer of trench safety equipment, recently announced that UUCF Associate Member Professional Shoring and Supply is now officially **Efficiency Shoring & Supply**.

The branding and name change is an effort to better identify the local distributor business with its corporate owner, Efficiency Production (EPI). In all other respect, the former Professional Shoring Orlando and Tampa Branches will serve the greater Central Florida and Gulf Coast area as Efficiency Shoring & Supply (ESS), an official Efficiency Production FACTORY-DIRECT Sales and Rental Company.

Efficiency Shoring & Supply is located in **Orlando at 11128 Boggy Creek Road**; available locally by phone at 407-854-9949. Personnel at the **Orlando Branch** continues to be:

- Wayne Agamie, Branch Manager; direct 407-902-3920
- Cory Hachmeister, Operations Manager; direct 407-408-6152
- Mike Ciotta, Shoring & Shielding Specialist; direct 407-718-2444
- Rob Hudson, Shoring & Shields Specialist; direct 407-488-3721

In **Tampa**, ESS is located at **7532 Malta Lane**, available locally by phone at 813-248-2495. The **Tampa Branch** personnel are:

- Kevin Chandler, Branch Manager; direct 813-777-0998



- Brandon Strout, Operations Manager; direct 813-408-1000
- Paul Strazzulla, Shoring & Shielding Specialist; direct 813-951-2416
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Efficiency Shoring & Supply offers a full range of trench shielding and shoring equipment, including: steel and aluminum trench shields; steel manhole shields; Build-A-Box™ aluminum modular trench shielding; Quicksheet™ Guideframe; and hydraulic shores, rescue shores, Hi-Clearance Shores, and hydraulic aluminum shields.

The branch also features factory-direct rental rates on Efficiency Production's PREMIER Slide Rail System, supported by the manufacturer's vaunted *Special Operations Shoring Division*; the nation's most experienced team of Slide Rail experts and installers.

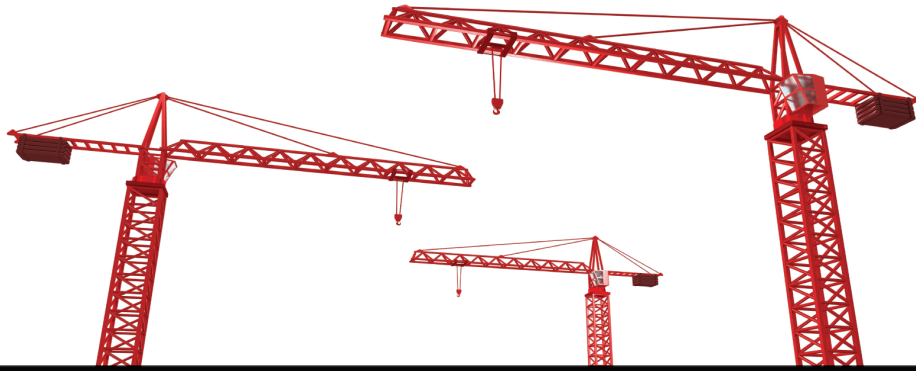
All products are P.E. certified to meet OSHA standards. Efficiency Shoring & Supply also supplies and

services a full range of construction support equipment, such as: pipe plugs, road plate, pipe pullers, and Stone Mizer™ bedding boxes. Efficiency Shoring & Supply is Central Florida and Gulf Coast's complete rental resource; offering OSHA and NUCA (National Utility Contractors Association) certified trench safety/Competent Person training.

Additionally, ESS is supported by the nation's leading trench shielding and shoring equipment manufacturer—Efficiency Production, Inc. Engineering support from EPI includes custom engineering and pre-bid CAD system drawings; special application design for highly challenging job site conditions; sales, marketing and customer service support; and on-site installation assistance from the country's foremost Slide Rail System and Trench Shielding Specialists.

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UUCF ROARING RAFFLE



The UUCF Conference Committee is holding a Roaring Raffle to benefit the UUCF general fund. UUCF will announce the winner of the raffle at the UUCF 2013 Conference on Saturday, July 27; however, you need not be present to win.

The following is a list of rules:

- UUCF will only be selling 199 tickets at \$25.00 per ticket.
- The individual who sells the most tickets will receive ticket number 200.
- A minimum of 40 tickets need to be sold in order for UUCF to hold the raffle.
- Individuals may charge their tickets to a credit card (MasterCard, Visa or American Express); however, there will be a 5% processing fee added to the total.

Tickets will be sold through the UUCF office between Wednesday, May 1, 2013 through Friday, July 19, 2013, and ticket sales will resume at the conference starting Thursday, July 25, 2013 through Saturday, July 27, 2013 or until all 199 tickets have been sold.

The individual who wins the Roaring Raffle will have a chance to select from one of the three following prizes:

| PRIZE # | DESCRIPTION | VALUE |
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Please complete form and return to the UUCF office via e-mail to julie@uucf.com, fax to (407) 260-1582 or mail to 231 West Bay Avenue, Longwood, FL 32750-4125. Please retain a copy of this form for your records.

A 5% processing fee will be added to the total for tickets paid with a credit card. A minimum of 40 tickets must be sold.

The deadline to submit ticket orders via e-mail is Friday, July 19. If mailed, form must be received in UUCF office no later than July 19, 2013. Individuals attending conference may purchase tickets July 25-27.





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All rooms are subject to applicable taxes. Group rates and availability for arrivals three days prior and departures three days after above group dates are on a space available basis only. Group rates may not be combined with any other special offer, package or discount. A credit card or cash for one (1) night's deposit is due with each reservation at the time the reservation is made. Your credit card will be billed for one (1) night's room charge upon booking. Cancellation notice of at least 3 days prior to the arrival is required for a refund. Upon your arrival, your deposit is applied to the last confirmed night of the reservation. In the event of your early departure, the deposit is non refundable unless the Resort is notified at or before the time of check in. No shows will result in forfeiture of the deposit and cancellation of the room. Rooms will be held under the UUCF room block until 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 22, 2013. After this time, reservations will be accepted on a space available basis at prevailing hotel rates. Should you require airport transfer, please contact Boca Transportation (561) 447-3378 or (561) 447-3086.

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1944 – J. Myer Schine buys the Boca Raton Club and the Spanish River Land Company from Geist's estate. The Club reopens as the Boca Raton Hotel and Club in 1945.

1949 – The City buys 2,404 acres of the former airfield. In a contract with the Federal Government, the City agrees to operate a civilian airport west of the El Rio Canal.

1950 – The Art Guild of Boca Raton is established. The group displays art exhibits at the old Town Hall and the Boca Raton Hotel and Club.

1953 – Africa U.S.A., a 177-acre park with free-roaming, African animals opens. It closes by 1961 due to an infestation of African red tick. Today, it is the Camino Gardens neighborhood.

1956 – Arthur Vining Davis, founder of the Aluminum Company of America, purchases the Boca Raton Hotel and

Club. He creates Arvida Development Corporation and sets aesthetic precedence for future commercial and residential development in Boca Raton.

1960 – The State Cabinet approves the construction of the fifth state university, Florida Atlantic University, in Boca Raton. Saint Joan of Arc Catholic School, founded by the Sisters of Mercy, opens.

1961 – Saint Andrew's School, founded by the Episcopal School Foundation, opens.

1962 – Royal Palm Plaza opens as the town's first shopping center. It is affectionately known as "The Pink Plaza."

1963 – The F.E.C. Railway stops passenger service at the train depot. Boca Raton High School opens. Up to now, students have traveled to Seacrest High School in Delray Beach. Marymount College opens as a two-year women's college.

1964 – Florida Atlantic University opens and is dedicated by President Lyndon B. Johnson. The efforts

to establish this school by local resident, Thomas F. Fleming, are recognized with the University's first Distinguished Service Award.

1966 – The International Business Machine Corporation (IBM) buys 550 acres of land from Arvida. In 1967, construction begins on a novel Marcel Breuer-Robert Gatje designed facility surrounding a large circular man-made lake. Boca Raton is the birthplace of the IBM PC and home of OS/2 Warp.

1967 – Boca Raton Community Hospital is dedicated. It was built entirely by community money, raised through special events such as the annual Fiesta de Boca Raton.

1969 – Arvida builds the twenty-six story tower at the Boca Raton Hotel.

. . . More history on Boca Raton to follow in the next issue of the *Ditchmen*.

*Sincerely,
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