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Sign Up for 2014 Legislative Days

Join your colleagues in Tallahassee on March 24 & 25 for the NUCA of Florida Legislative Days. The Executive Committee, Conference Committee and Board of Directors will convene on March 24 at the Governor's Club and members will meet with legislators on March 25.

Hotel reservations may be made at the Doubletree by Hilton Tallahassee at \$139 per night. NUCA members should make reservations by identifying themselves under the "UUCF-Underground Utility Contractors" group. All reservations must be guaranteed with a credit card. Call the toll free number at (800) 222-8733 or book via the Internet. All individual reservations need to be made prior to the cut-off date of Feb. 28, 2014. To reserve rooms via the Internet, visit Doubletree by Hilton Tallahassee. Enter arrival and departure date. Scroll down and Click on "Add special rate codes". Type in "UUC" next to Group Code and click "check availability."

Agenda for NUCA of Florida Legislative Days:

Monday, March 24

9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. — Breakfast & Executive Committee Meet, Governor's Club

9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. — Breakfast & Conference Committee Meet, Governor's Club

12:00 p.m. — Lunch & Board of Directors Meet, Governor's Club; Legislative Update immediately following the Board of Directors Meeting.

Tuesday, March 25

NUCA of Florida members "walk the halls" of the Capitol. Chapter Executive Directors should make all legislator appointments for their membership.

To sign up, click:

Sign up for 2014 Legislative Days Online

HOW AN IDEA BECOMES A LAW



Idea

A citizen, group, or legislator has an idea for a new law. A Representative then decides that the idea should be a bill.



House Bill Drafted

The Representative (also called a member) contacts House Bill Drafting Services and requests a bill to be drafted. The member may provide very detailed instructions or just the general idea. A staff member, called a "bill drafter," will work with the member and his or her staff until the member is satisfied and a final draft is approved. Once approved, the idea receives a bill number (odd numbers only in the House) and is called a bill for the first time.



1st Reading is by Publication in the House Journal

In accordance with Article III of the Florida Constitution, all bills must be read three times before being voted on. The 1st Reading is by publication of the bill number, its sponsor, and a short one paragraph description of the bill, called a title, in the House Journal. The Speaker will also refer the bill to one or more committees or subcommittees in the House. Committees and subcommittees are groups of members appointed to review specific areas of government such as education, criminal justice, and agriculture, to name a few.



House Committee or Subcommittee Meeting

Once a bill is referred to a committee or subcommittee, it is reviewed for inclusion on an agenda. The Chair of the committee or subcommittee will decide which bills should be heard. In 2010, of the 843 general bills filed, 488 "died" in a council or committee, never being heard. Once a bill has been heard and voted favorably by all of its committees or subcommittees, it is placed on a House Calendar signifying that it is available for 2nd Reading.



2nd Reading on the Floor is by consideration of the Special Order Calendar

Once a bill is on the House Calendar, that does not mean that the bill will be heard on the floor. The House has a special committee called the Rules & Calendar Committee that will determine when and if a bill will be sent to the floor for 2nd Reading. These bills are placed on a recommended Special Order Calendar. Each Special Order Calendar is voted on prior to the House considering those bills on a specific legislative day. Once a bill has been introduced and read on the Special Order Calendar, it is explained, questions are answered about the bill, and amendments are considered. This constitutes a bill's 2nd Reading.



3rd Reading on the House Floor by consideration of the Third Reading Calendar

After a bill has been read a second time on the Special Order Calendar, it is taken up on 3rd Reading, generally, on a subsequent legislative day. This is the final reading of the bill prior to being voted on. Once a bill's title has been read a third time, it is explained again, questions are again permitted, and amendments may be offered; at this point, amendments may only be considered by a 2/3 vote. The final action is for debate on the bill prior to the sponsor making a closing statement. The bill is then voted on by the members of the House. Any bill not receiving a favorable vote "dies" on the floor.



Senate Consideration

Once the bill is passed by the House, it is sent to the Senate with a "message." The Senate's process varies slightly from the House's process. The Senate may vote to pass the bill without amendments and return the bill to the House, refer the bill to a committee for consideration, or defeat the bill on the Senate floor. The Senate may decide to further amend the bill and pass it. If this happens, the bill is returned to the House.



Return to the House

If the House has received a House bill having been passed by the Senate without amendments, it puts the bill in its final form called an "enrolled" version. The enrolled version of the bill is then sent to the Governor for consideration. If the Senate has further amended the House bill, it is returned to the House for consideration of the Senate amendments. This "back and forth" consideration of the bill is an attempt to perfect the bill's language by working out the differences, but generally ends after several exchanges by each side. At any time, either the Senate or the House may decide to abandon the effort of reaching a compromise and the bill dies. If the issue is important enough, however, the House and Senate may agree to appoint a conference committee comprised of Representatives and Senators to work out the details of the bill.



Consideration by the Governor

Generally, if the Legislature is in session and has sent the Governor a bill, he/she has seven days to consider the bill while the Legislature remains in session. If the bill is received after the Legislature has adjourned "sine die" (the 60-day session has ended), the Governor has 15 days to consider the bill. The Governor may take one of three actions: sign the bill into law, allow the bill to become law without his/her signature, or veto the bill. If the Governor vetoes the bill, the Legislature may override his/her veto by a 2/3 vote of the Legislature during the next Session.

KEY POINT...

At any point of consideration, the bill may "die" for that legislative session, which means it will no longer be considered.



Calendar of Events

NUCA of Florida

March 20th
NUCA Board Meeting
4:30 pm

April 1st
Annual Golf Tournament
St. Johns Golf &
Country Club

May 19 to 22nd
NUCA Washington Summit

May 29th
Board of Directors
4:30 pm
May 29th
Jacksonville Suns

NUCA Southwest Florida

BOD Meeting
March 20, 4 PM
Holiday Inn Airport - Gulf Coast

Trade Show - 2014
March 27, 3 PM
Harborside Convention Center

BOD Membership Meeting
April 17, 4 PM
Holiday Inn Airport - Gulf Coast

Golf Tournament
May 9, 12:30
Old Corkscrew Plantation

BOD Meeting
May 15, 4 PM
Holiday Inn Airport - Gulf Coast

BOD Membership Meeting
June 19, 4 PM
Holiday Inn Airport - Gulf Coast
BOD Membership Meeting & Scholarship
Awards
June 16, 4 PM
Holiday Inn Airport - Gulf Coast

NUCA of Florida State Conference
July 17 - 20
Orlando

BOD Meeting
August 14, 4 PM
Holiday Inn Airport - Gulf Coast

Fishing Tournament
September 19 - 20
Tween Waters - Captiva

BOD Meeting
September 25 4PM
Holiday Inn Airport - Gulf Coast

BOD Membership Meeting

October 16, 4 PM
Holiday Inn Airport - Gulf Coast

Holiday Party & Installation of Officers 2015
December 6th
Holiday Inn Airport - Gulf Coast

Board of Directors Meeting
March, May, August, September, November

BOD & Membership Meeting
January, February, April, June, July, October

Special Events

Trade Show - March 27

Golf Tournament - May 9

Fishing Tournament
September 19 - 20

Holiday Party - December 6

NUCA of Florida State Conference
July 17 - 20

NUCA North Florida

March 1st-3rd
NUCA Convention
Rio All Suites Hotel & Casino
Las Vegas, NV

March 20th
NUCA Board Meeting
4:30 pm

April 1st
Annual Golf Tournament
St. Johns Golf &
Country Club

May 29th
Jacksonville Suns

NUCA South Florida

Miami Heat Game Night
March 14, 2014
American Airlines Arena

Annual Dolphin Fishing Tournament
June 5 - 8, 2014
Ocean Reef Club, Key Largo

NUCA Central Florida

Board of Directors Meetings - March 13,
April 3, May 15, May 30, June 19, June 24,
August 21, September 18, October 23, No-
vember 20

Spring Golf Tournament - April 25
Duran Golf Club - Viera, FL

May 30 - Auction & Barbecue

August - Friends & Family Weekend
Vero Beach Hotel & Spa

September 26 - Fall Golf Tournament

December 5 - Christmas Party

SUCA

March 13th, 2014
Tampa Bay Lightning Contractor Night

April 3rd, 2014
SUCA Mixer
Blue Martini, Tampa

May 1st, 2014
SUCA Membership Meeting & Live Auction
Summerfield Crossings, Riverview

May 2nd, 2014
Annual Golf Tournament
Summerfield Crossings, Riverview

June 7th, 2014
Beach Day BBQ

June 12th, 2014
SUCA Membership Meeting 7 Scholarship
Night
The Columbia Restaurant, Ybor City

August 7th, 2014
SUCA Tradeshow
DoubleTree Hotel, Tampa

September 19th, 2014
SUCA Fish Fry
Al Lopez Park, Tampa

November 1st, 2014
SUCA Clay Shoot
Tampa Bay Sporting Clays, Land O Lakes

December 5th, 2014
SUCA Installation Banquet
Glazer Children's Museum, Tampa

UCA South Florida

March 14, 2014
Miami Heat Game Night

March 18, 2014
Joint Membership Meeting w/AGC, ECA, and
FTBA
Sofitel Hotel, Miami

April 9, 2014
UCA Board of Directors Meeting
UCA Office, Coconut Creek

June 5-8, 2014
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OSHA's Hazard Communication Standard Requires Employers to Educate and Train Employees

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OSHA's Hazard Communication Standard ("HCS") requires information to be provided to employees regarding all hazardous chemicals employees may encounter at work. The HCS requires the employer to educate and train its employees when a substance can result in physical hazards (e.g. the substance is explosive or flammable) or health hazards (e.g. the substance may cause skin irritation, eye damage, or cancer.) In OSHA's view most chemicals used in the workplace have some hazard potential and thus will be covered by the rule.

One difference between the HCS rule and many others adopted by OSHA is that the HCS is performance-oriented. In other words, an employer has the flexibility to adapt the rule to the needs of its workplace, rather than having to follow specific rigid requirements. It also means that an employer must exercise more judgment to implement an appropriate and effective program. An example of the more typical OSHA rule would be the spoil pile set back requirement with which we are all familiar (or should be) which mandates that all spoil piles be at least two feet back from the edge of an excavation. There is no discretion allowed in the spoil pile rule. In contrast, under HCS, employers may choose how to educate and train the employees.

The HCS standard is intended to be fairly straight forward. Chemical manufacturers and importers must evaluate the hazards of the chemicals they handle and must provide labels for containers and the all too familiar material safety data sheets (MSDSs) which provide detailed technical information about the substance.

Chemical manufacturers, importers, and distributors of hazardous chemicals are all required to provide the appropriate labels and material safety data sheets along with the chemicals being provided. Suppliers are required to provide a properly completed MSDS at the time of the shipment of the chemicals.

Employers are entitled to rely on the information on the MSDS and have no independent duty to analyze the chemical or evaluate the hazards associated with the chemical.

Interesting, but what is an employer required to do under the HCS?

Employers that "use" hazardous chemicals must have a program to ensure the information is provided to all employees that may use the chemicals. OSHA interprets "use to" mean package, handle, react, or transfer. As usual, OSHA interprets the term very broadly to encompass any situation where a chemical is present and employees may be exposed under normal situations. Thus, if employees can be expected to encounter a chemical as part of their work, they must be informed of the hazards associated with the chemical. An unexpected, or sudden exposure to a previously un-encountered chemical would not require an MSDS. For example, if a pipe crew were to uncover a bottle of Malathion insecticide, failure to provide an MSDS would not be a violation even though Malathion is a hazardous chemical because the crew was not expected to "use" the chemical.

A proper employee hazard communication program must include a written hazard communication program; labels and other forms of warning; material safety data sheets; and employee information and training. And, as always, an employer will be well served by creating an extensive paper trail demonstrating to OSHA that the employee communication and training were done. As with any employee safety rules, an employer must also be able to prove to OSHA that the rules are enforced and violations are dealt with appropriately. Absent proof of enforcement, OSHA frequently deems a written safety program to be ineffective and a "toothless tiger". If you have any questions regarding what constitutes a proper HCS Program or paper trail, give me a call.

There is an exception that may apply to certain work activities contractor employees may encounter. Employees that only handle chemicals in sealed containers, such as in a warehouse are not required to have a written hazard communication program for the sealed chemicals. Basically, employers with employees in that type of work operations need only keep labels on containers as they are received, maintain material safety data sheets that are received and give employees access to the material safety data sheets, and provide information and training for employees. But, because most chemicals in sealed containers that a contractor's warehouse may contain are probably chemicals the employees actually use, it is better to have a written hazard communication program and include all employees in the program rather than hope OSHA will apply the limited exception.

OSHA's Hazard Communication Standard is based on the concept that employees have a need and a right to know the hazards associated with the chemicals they may be exposed to in the work place. OSHA designed the HCS with the goal making sure employers provide employees

with the information they need to know. Employers that do not produce or import chemicals need only focus on those parts of the HCS rule that deal with establishing a workplace program and communicating information to their workers. OSHA has provided a summary of the HCS in a pamphlet entitled Chemical Hazard Communication (OSHA 3084). Like many OSHA rules, the HCS standard is lengthy and at times difficult to apply, but all employers would be well served by reviewing the pamphlet. We would be happy to provide copies to anyone that contacts us.

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NUCANF News

This past week, we participated in the first Construction Career Days in North Florida held at the Jacksonville Equestrian Center. Our association participated as a Silver Sponsor and had a display booth. High school students from Duval, Clay and Baker High Schools attended the event. There were a number of opportunities for students to see and work with some construction equipment and view various construction methods during the learning lab sessions. Each participant received a backpack with numerous items, lunch and snacks. Thank you to Mike Gruber, Ellis & Associates, Elliot Jones, A.J. Johns, Drew Lane, Advanced Drainage Systems, Chad Cockrell, Layne Heavy Civil, Ed Porter, Barco Duval Engineering, Josh Dyer, Staff Zone, Mirela Tricic, Staff Zone, Jarod Wolford, Martin Marietta Materials, Tripp Brown, Godwin Pumps, Jeff Flowers, Godwin Pumps, Jon Woodall, John Woody, Inc. and Mike Kivlin, John Woody, Inc. who worked our booth. Special thanks to Ferguson Waterworks for the Fire Hydrant display.

The NUCANF Annual Golf tournament has been set for Tuesday, April 1st at St. John's Golf & Country Club. Jon Woodall & Mike Woodall, John Woody, Inc. are this year's golf Chairmen. Sponsorships are available beginning at \$260 for tee/green sponsors to \$600 Vendor Showcases. Cost for players is \$125. Contact the office at (904) 296-1230 to register or for additional information.

Please join us in welcoming Rinker Concrete Pipe who recently joined our association. Our contact is Whit Hyde, Account Manager. He can be reached at: Phone: (904) 535-1250, Fax: (904) 634-7164 or whitleyl.hyde@cemex.com.

Our next board meeting is Thursday, March 20th at 4:00 pm. NUCA's 2014 Washington Summit will be held May 29th to 22nd at the Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites Alexandria-Historic District in Alexandria, VA. The room rate will be \$149 for single or double. Room rate includes complimentary shuttle service to and from Reagan National Airport. Make plans to join us on May 29th as we head to see the Jacksonville Suns.

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Fishing Tournament Weights

14th Annual Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Bass Fishing Tournament

February 21-22, 2014

Team	Anglers	Day 1 Weight	Day 1 Big Fish	Total	Day 2 Weight	Day 2 Big Fish
1	Curt Parcells	13.4		30.93	17.53	
	Bill Parcells					
2	Brad Bamman	25.44	8.29	48.68	23.24	
	Matt Craddock					
	Tony Majercik					
3	Walter Pfaffenberger	23.5		45.65	22.15	
	Chuck Cameron					
4	Clark Cryer	21.86		48.49	26.63	
	Ben Miller					
5	Lance Merritt	19.95		38.71	18.76	
	Richard Forlifer					
	Rick Forlifer					
6	Gilmer Nelson	30.83	7.64	56.84	26.01	
	Bobby Wakefield					
7	Walt Gainer	27.55	8.6	54.32	26.77	
	Carl Gainer					
8	Leonard Dennis	24.19		57.16	32.97	
	Tony Sabatino					10.02
9	Chris Johnson	26.77	10.38	52.11	25.34	
	John Barr					
10	Scott Johnson	19.51		35.25	15.74	
	Bill Michalsky					
	Bob Elder					
11	Greg Wolf	25.62	7	52.41	26.79	
	Steve Bails					
12	Jim Nelson	11.87		23.48	11.61	
	George Bowers					
13	Larry Falls	22.12		38.32	16.2	
	John Tucker					
14	Lauren Atwell	4		4	0	
	LT Atwell					
15	Chris Patronas	8.23		8.23	0	
	Nick Patronas					
	Goober Williams					

Fishing Tournament Results

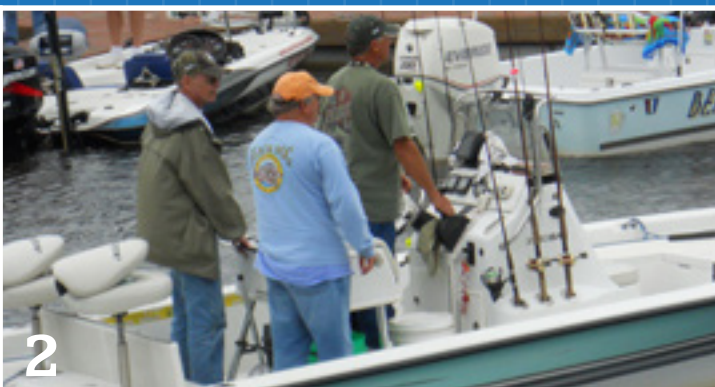
The 14th Annual Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Bass Fishing Tournament returned to Kissimmee, Florida February 21-21, 2014. Fifteen teams, comprised of 35 anglers, made their way to Big Toho Marina on Lake Tohopekaliga to participate. Each team brought their five largest fish to the weigh-in station between 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. each afternoon. Trophies were awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams and there was a "Big Fish" winner each day for the angler who reeled in the largest bass. All proceeds from the event benefit the Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Scholarship Foundation, which has provided scholarships amounting to over \$247,500 since 2001.

Congratulations to our winners!

Leonardo Dennis Tony Sabatino	
Carl Gainer Walt Gainer	Gilmer Nelson Bobby Wakefield
3	1
2	2
Big Fish	Big Fish
Day 1	Day 2
Chris Johnson	Tony Sabatino



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1) Third Place, Walt & Carl Gainer with Chairman Scott Johnson

4) NUCA President Lauren Atwell with teammate LT Atwell docking after Day 1

2) Team 7 Docking after Day 1 of the Andrew Scott Johnson Memorial Bass Fishing Tournament

5) Fishing Tournament Chairman, Scott Johnson, and other anglers anxiously awaiting Day 2 results

3) Second Place, Gilmer Nelson and Bobby Wakefield with Scott Johnson

6) Angler Carl Gainer collecting his door prize

7) Chris Johnson with Day 2's catch

8) Big Fish Winner for day 2- Tony Sabatino



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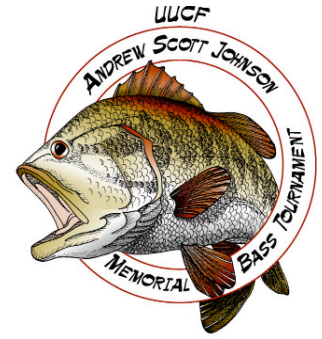


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Booths will fill up quickly and booth locations are offered on a “first come first reserved” basis. If you plan to participate we urge you to obtain the NUCA Trade Show registration which is available on our website: www.NUCASWFL.com, or contact the NUCA Southwest Florida office at NUCASWFL@gmail.com.

Sponsorships are also available and include free tickets to the show. All sponsors will have their names prominently displayed at the show and will be announced throughout the event.

We look forward to making our 2014 Trade Show the most successful ever. See you at the Show!

Our annual Scholarship Golf Tournament will be held at the Heritage Palms Golf & Country Club in Fort Myers on Friday May 9th, shotgun start at 1:00 pm on the challenging Sabal Golf Course. Come join us for a great spring day, great game of golf, games, food and prizes. Information and registrations will soon be posted on our website or contact the NUCA of Southwest Florida office.

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Joseph M. Champion, P.E. Wins 2014 Young Engineer of the Year Award and Selected for Jacksonville Business Journal's Top 40 Under 40

Jacksonville, Florida, March 7, 2014 - Joseph M. Champion, P.E. received the Northeast Florida Engineers Week 2014 Young Engineer of the Year Award on March 1, 2014 at the E-Week Awards Banquet and Dinner Dance held at The Touchdown Club East (EverBank Field). Also, on February 28, 2014 it was announced by the Jacksonville Business Journal that Champion had been selected for the 14th Annual 40 Under 40 List and will receive an award on April 2, 2014 at the Hyatt Regency Jacksonville.



Both honors recognize Champion for achievements in his career and community involvement, especially over the last year. This includes accomplishments such as being added as Partner to Ellis & Associates, Inc. (E&A) and assuming the role as Director of Construction Engineering and Inspection (CEI) Services, a new service line for E&A. Also, Champion was the first University of North Florida (UNF) Civil Engineering Graduate to be selected for the prestigious UNF "Fab Grad" award by the College of Computing, Engineering, and Construction and he was selected to be a member of the UNF Civil Engineering Advisory Council (EAC). Most recently Champion volunteered his time at the Northeast Florida Construction Career Days that took place February 25 to 27, 2014 at the Equestrian Center. He presented Learning Labs on Concrete and Testing during this outreach program that introduced high school students to the wide range of career opportunities available to them in the construction industry in a hands-on environment.

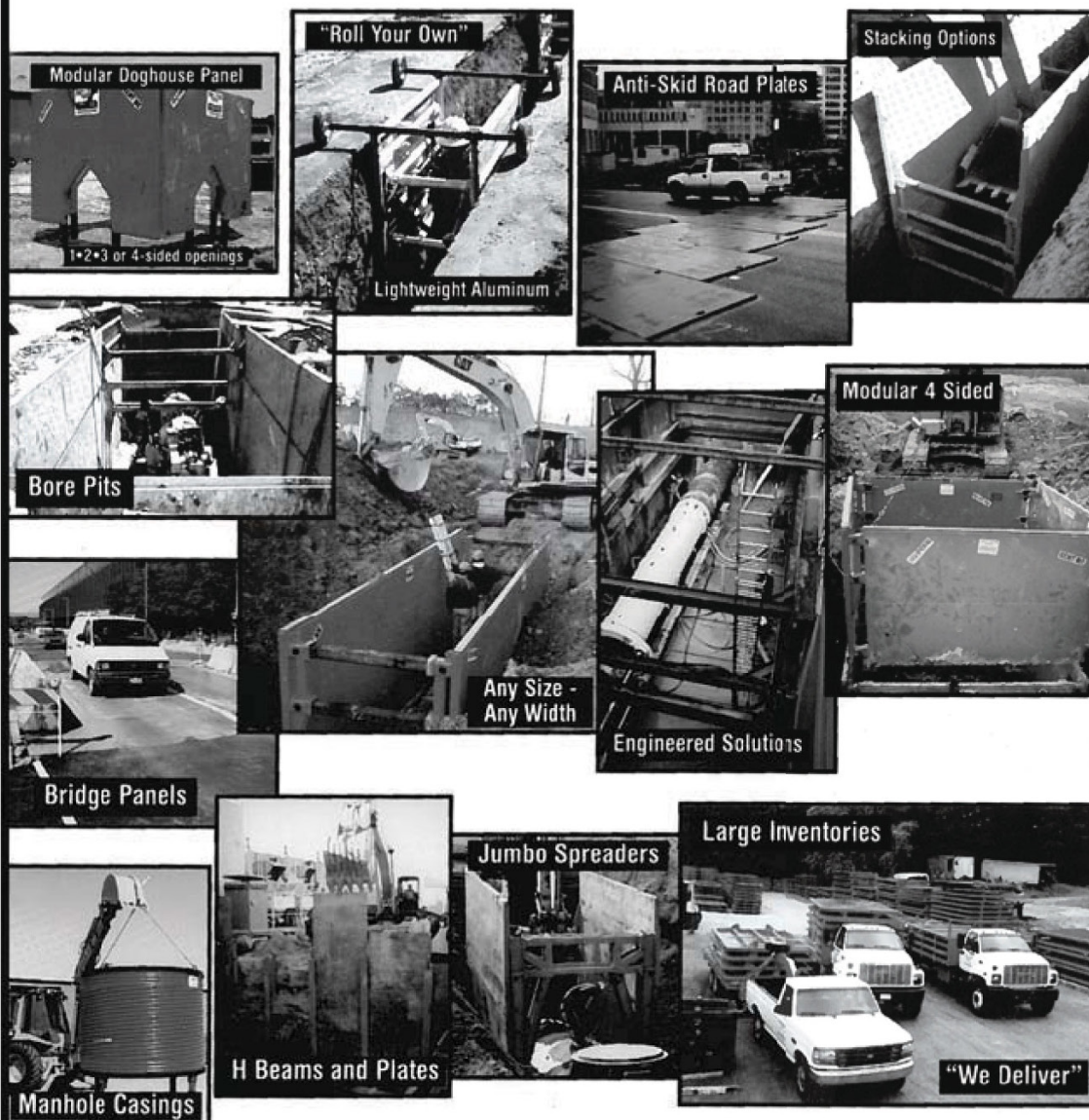
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SUCA Announces New Executive Director - Feb 19, 2014

The Suncoast Utility Contractors Association (SUCA) would like to welcome Theresa Mannix as its new Executive Director. Mannix is extremely excited to dive into the industry and find new ways to help the organization grow. She has an extensive background in the engineering and construction industry throughout the last 10 years of her career. Mannix is very interested in the lobbying SUCA provides as an organization and is taking a great interest in learning both the association's and industry's issues. Mannix's upbeat and positive can-do attitude is exactly what SUCA needs to keep the momentum going. She recently met with the NUCA National board to familiarize herself with its history and what it provides to its members. Her administrative and accounting background, coupled with industry knowledge, made her a great fit for the Executive Director roll. Mannix can be reached by e-mail at tmannix@suca.org.



NUCA Member Profile Questions

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Advanced Drainage Systems, Inc.

1. Tell us about the services your company provides.

We manufacture products for drainage and surface water control. We pride ourselves on helping our customers solve stormwater management issues.

2. What is your business philosophy?

I believe in working together to help people around me prosper, from coworkers to customers. When we do, this everyone will benefit financially and have fulfillment in the workplace. We will also have a mutually beneficial relationship to help each other succeed.

3. What are your hobbies or interests outside of work?

Spending time with my family.

4. What is your favorite travel location?

Caribbean

5. If you could have dinner with anyone, living or deceased, who would it be and why?

My Grandfather, he was a great man and there are many things I would like to discuss with him.

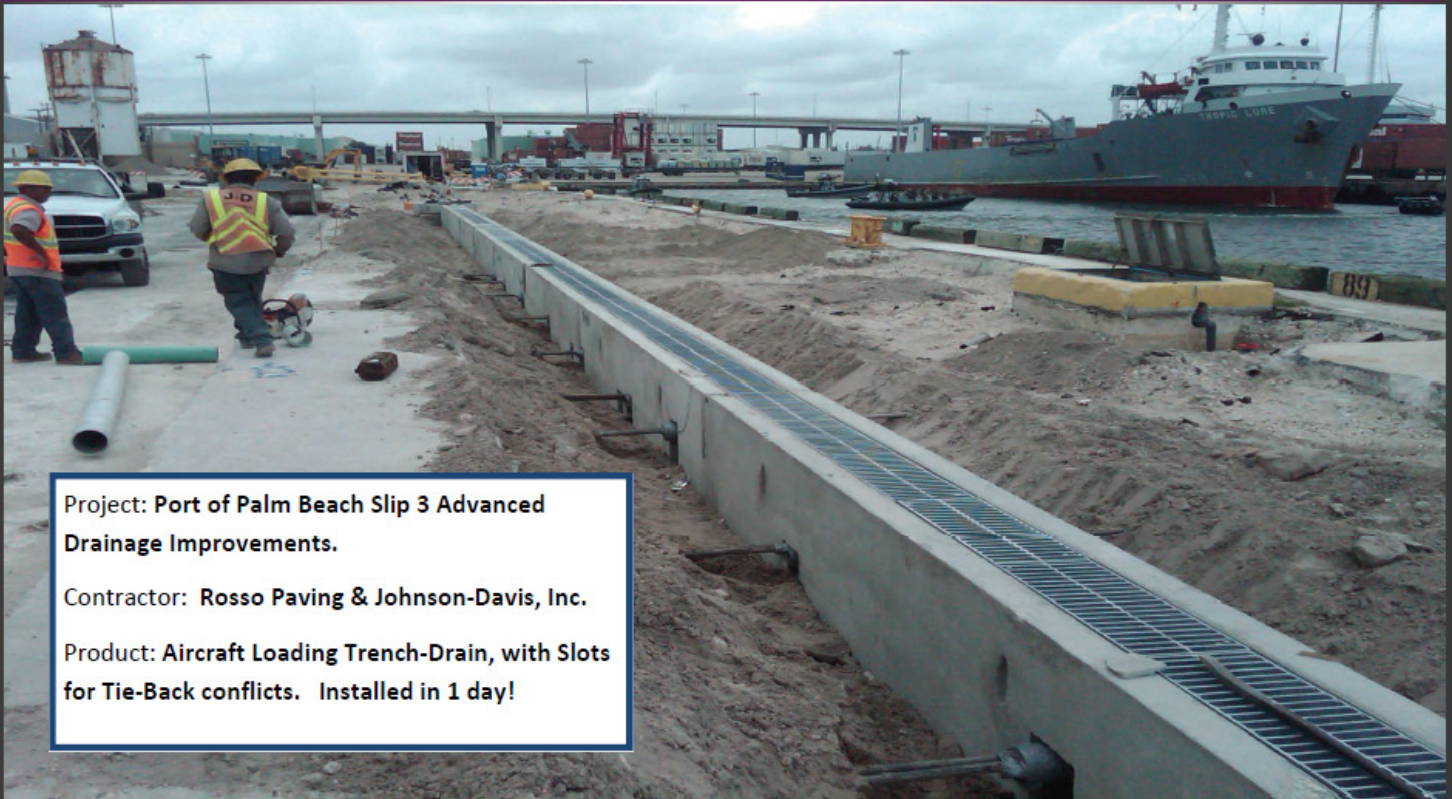
6. What are you currently reading?

East of Eden by John Steinbeck

7. Grill master or reservations?

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NUCA Member Profile Questions

Paula Scott-Lieser, Vice-President
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2. **What is your business philosophy?** To give quality work to our customers. We are 100% Employee Owned (ESOP), therefore we are only as successful as the individual members of our team. We work hard on building a reputation for doing a good job and doing the job right the first time. We will continue to provide exceptional work while encouraging a responsible and cooperative atmosphere among our employees. We will work on improving productivity as well as morale, communication, quality and most importantly, safety. We will continue to work on producing a project that meets the quality expected from our customers. We strongly emphasize to the employee that this is their company, therefore it is important to do a professional job.

3. **What are your hobbies or interests outside of work?** I enjoy camping and riding bikes. I also enjoy family time with scrapbooking and card crafting.

4. **What is your favorite travel location?** Blue Ridge, GA (Cabin Rental)

5. **If you could have dinner with anyone, living or deceased, who would it be and why?** My Grandmother. Growing up she always cooked special meals for us. Eggs in a basket and pizza burgers were my favorite. I just never had a chance to either cook her dinner or take her out to eat. She died shortly after I got out of high school.

6. **What are you currently reading?** Nothing at the time.

7. **Grill master or reservations?** Grill master

8. **What attracted you to the underground utility business?** I was raised in an extended family of construction workers, so I knew I wanted to work for some type of construction company. I was working for a Paving Contractor when the position became available at PCC. Learning the Underground Utility Business and being a part of the Association is something I am proud to be a part of. It is something I know I will stay with until I retire.

9. **What is your educational background?** Graduated High School – then went right into working

10. **What is your favorite college or pro team?** None

11. **Do you have any “guilty pleasure” TV Shows?** The only show that I look forward to watching would be Grey’s Anatomy.

12. **What would be your dream vacation?** A cabin in Blue Ridge, in the Spring, with a creek running behind it. A waterfall nearby would be great. No neighbors. I would love to be there for about a month. I would take two weeks, but would love a month.

13. **What was the first car you drove?** 1964 Ford Fairlane

New Name, New Logo, New Website, New Team

Have you noticed anything new? On February 7th, the Underground Utility Contractors of Florida (UUCF) Board of Directors voted favorably to change the name of the UUCF to the National Utility Contractors Association (NUCA) of Florida. The formal motion to change the name was made by Kim Bryant, Petticoat- Schmitt Civil Contractors, Inc. and seconded by Brian Hunsicker, U.S. Concrete Pipe Co.

The new name promotes unity and provides greater awareness of the association's larger role as part of the national organization, while building on the name recognition developed by the local chapters that include "NUCA" in their title.



Positioning NUCA of Florida for the future and in conjunction with the name change, the organization has also redesigned its logo and website. Check out the fresh new look at NUCAFlorida.org.

Lastly, NUCA of Florida is now managed by a new team, lobbying and association management firm Wilson & Associates LLC (W & A), located in Tallahassee. Rob Wilson, founder and president of W & A, Vice-President Kari Hebrank and Office Administrator & Meeting & Event Planner Sydney Phillips stand ready to assist the NUCA of Florida membership.

Save the Date!

NUCA of Florida will hold its summer conference July 17-20 at the Renaissance Orlando at Sea World.

This year's theme is Contractor Dynasty.

[Click here for more information.](#)

President's Message:

Winter Adventure, a lasting memory.

We feed the birds, and because we feed the birds, we inevitably feed the squirrels. That really bugs some folks, and a friend recently sent me a YouTube video of a squirrel-proof feeder in action. A squirrel climbs up for a hearty lunch, but instead of breakfast it gets flung through the air with the greatest unease. Watching it took me back to an equally uneasy boyhood adventure.

I grew up on a farm that was part corn fields, part woods and part prairie—all of it flat. Despite a lack of decent sledding hills, I owned a snow saucer. It was one of those round metal jobs that's impossible to steer. One winter, inspired after watching the Olympic bobsledders on TV, my friends and I hatched a plan. We'd tie the saucer to the bumper of an old pickup truck and pull it down the snow-packed gravel road. It'd be exactly like the Olympics, but better.

We used a long rope to give the rider time to veer if the truck made a sudden stop. I got excited as we worked out the details. If only we could find someone dumb enough to volunteer. When I mentioned this aloud, everyone stared at me. I didn't recall getting "chump" tattooed on my forehead, but before I knew it, I was sitting in that saucer like Forrest Gump.

The pickup started slowly, but soon the saucer was bouncing along like a crazed kangaroo. Hanging on to the saucer probably would've been a challenge for most folks, but I regularly rode a horse that hated me. Compared to that, this was almost fun.

When the pickup slowed for the first turn, I managed to navigate it with little bloodshed and a

survivor's smile spread across my face. Unfortunately, the truck cut the next turn a little too short. I tried staying on the road, but the saucer flew straight for a signpost.

I was frantically groping for a nonexistent steering wheel when, through sheer dumb luck, the saucer sailed wide. I breathed a deep sigh of relief just about the time the rope hit the post. If you've ever watched a tetherball whirling around a pole, you can imagine how I felt—except the ball doesn't go flying into a snowbank when it hits the end of its rope.

My friends laughed as if they'd just seen the funniest thing ever. I picked myself up and limped stoically back to the truck. Coach Smith had taught us to "walk it off," even if we were carrying a severed limb. But I clearly remember that I didn't like being flung one little bit.

And that's why you'll never find a squirrel-flinging bird feeder at our house. Even though it was a long time ago, I can still imagine how the poor squirrel in that video must've felt. And I wonder if his buddies laughed at him, too.

Ready for summer,



Lauren Atwell