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SAVE THAT DATE!

Calusa Chapter
Dinner Meeting

Thursday, Sept. 30th
Fiddlesticks Country Club
6:00 PM
(Look inside for more details.)

President's Message

John English, PE

President - Calusa Chapter

It is hard to believe that it is already August. It seems that the summer came and passed far too fast. After the installation of the new officers in June, and taking a brief hiatus from FES in July, I am looking forward to the events and activities of our chapter for the coming year. I would like to again thank **Walt Gilcher, PE** for his dedication and leadership, making this past year a success for our organization.

In my first President's Message, I would like to state how honored I am to be associated with the members of the Calusa Chapter. I am thankful to have had the opportunity to get know many fine individuals since I became involved in FES.

And that is the message that I would like to make with this newsletter: that there are many fine individuals in our local chapter of FES. I hope that I can encourage each of you to take the time to get involved in FES this year. The best way, in my opinion, is to make time to come to the dinner meetings and social events that are planned for this coming year. I feel that you will find it invaluable, to your career and development as a professional, to get to know better the consulting and government engineers that you work with every day.

With that being said, **David Romano, PE** is hard at work preparing a schedule of dinner meeting programs for the year. Our goal is to make these meetings interesting and efficient, so that we can get together and socialize, and then get home to our families. Look for the complete list in coming newsletters. Our first dinner meeting of the coming year will be **September 30th**, at **Fiddlesticks Country Club** in south Fort Myers. The speaker will be **Commissioner Andy Coy**. I hope that you will take the time out of your busy schedule to come join us.

Another important event that is coming soon is our 18th Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament. The Golf Tournament is extremely important to our organization because it is the largest fund raising event for the scholarships the Chapter issues at the end of the year. This year's tournament will be held on October 16th at Stonebridge Country Club in north Naples. This tournament is our chance to get out and have fun, and to raise enough money to make a real impact on the lives and educations of several of our local youth. Our goal is to raise at least \$6,000 to award to our engineering scholarship recipients next year. Use the tournament registration form in this newsletter. Contact **Dan Waters, PE** at (239) 649-4040 for sponsorship information, to sign up a team, or to volunteer to help on the day of the tournament.

Thank you and I look forward to seeing you at one of our upcoming events.



EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP SCRAMBLE GOLF TOURNAMENT OCTOBER 16, 2004

Each \$65 entry fee includes greens fees, cart, driving range, continental breakfast and lunch, drinks, raffle prizes, trophies and a coupon for a free greens fee for a future round at Stonebridge. Great advertising opportunities exist through sponsorships. Professionally created signs with company names displayed on tees for \$150 each.

Raffle Prizes will include:

- Golf Clubs
- Golf Bags, balls and accessories
- Gift Certificates
- Clothing and much more



Contact Dan Waters at WilsonMiller at (239) 649-4040 for more information or DanielWaters@WilsonMiller.com.

Tournament format:

The tournament will couple a best-ball scramble with a weighted team handicap system. When filling out the registration form, please indicate each player's average score on a regulation 18-hole – par 72 golf course. These scores will be used in determining each team's handicap factor. This format will ensure that each team has an opportunity to win the tournament. Please note that a four-person team is not required to sign up and play.

Name (contact person) _____

Company & Address _____

This check is for the following player/participation:

_____ Total players @ \$65 Total \$ _____

_____ Hole sponsor @ \$150 Total \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

Players

Name _____ Avg. score _____

Name _____ Avg. score _____

Name _____ Avg. score _____

Name _____ Avg. score _____

**STONEBRIDGE GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB
2100 Winding Oaks Way, Naples, Florida**

**Registration Deadline:
October 8th, 2004**

Registration and range at 7:30 a.m.
Shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. Raffle
and Award ceremony will be
conducted during lunch immediately
after the conclusion of the play.



**Mail check (Payable to FES) and
registration form to:**
Dan Waters
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3200 Bailey Lane,
Suite 200
Naples, FL 34105

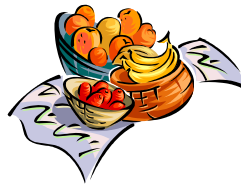


September Calusa Chapter Dinner Meeting

Speaker
Commissioner Andy Coy

Thursday, September 30th, 2004
Fiddlesticks Country Club (I-75, Exit 131)

Social Hour at 6:00PM – Dinner at 7:00PM
Program Immediately Following Dinner



As Always, Spouses and Guests are Welcome!
\$25.00 per person

Call (985-1200), fax (985-1258) or email your RSVP to **David Romano, PE** by 12 noon on September 29th
(davidromano@holemontes.com).

_____ YES, I will be attending.
(Name)

_____ Spouse/Guest
(Name)

Meatless meals are available upon request.



BUSINESS CARD SPONSORSHIP RENEWALS

If you haven't done so already, please renew your newsletter business card sponsorships for the remainder of the year. Those who have not renewed will be dropped from future newsletters. For further information regarding renewal or for adding your business card to our newsletter, please contact **David Romano, PE** or **Pat Jennings, PE**. Your sponsorship helps defray the cost of newsletter production and mailing.



MATHCOUNTS

After coming from a record year, MathCounts is quickly becoming a major event for the Calusa Chapter. This year FGCU is providing a ballroom for the contestants rather than individual rooms. The event is scheduled for February 12th and promises to be better than ever. The only reason this event won't be the best in the state is if we don't get volunteers to help. Please mark your calendars and call **Morgan Dickinson, PE** at (239) 649-4040 to sign up NOW.



PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Ricardo A. Valera, PE has been named director of the Road Maintenance Department in Collier County. Valera has over twelve years of professional experience in project design, permitting and site development. Valera most recently worked as a senior supervising professional engineer for the South Florida Water Management District in Fort Myers. He earned his civil engineering degree from the Rafael Urdaneta University, Maracaibo, Venezuela. As the head of the Road Maintenance Department, Valera will oversee the maintenance of county and state maintained roads, bridges, and sidewalks, drainage ditches, county maintained canals, the stormwater management section and the right-of-way permitting section.



MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Each July 31st, the FES membership department closes their books for the year. At this time they recognize the top membership growth, recruitment, and retention in the small, medium, and large chapter categories. This year's winners are:

Recruitment: Small Chapter – Nature Coast
Medium Chapter – Treasure Coast
Large Chapter – Tampa

Retention: Small Chapter – Nature Coast
Medium Chapter – Daytona Beach
Large Chapter – Northeast Florida

Overall membership winners: Small – Nature Coast, Medium – Daytona Beach, Large - Tampa

With a new membership year ahead, you have the opportunity to help your chapter receive one of these awards. Membership applications are available at www.fleng.org or by contacting **Kate Robinson** at krobinson@fleng.org.



UPCOMING ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

- August 18 – 20th** **Advanced Maintenance of Traffic***
Embassy Suites at USF, Tampa
- Sept. 13 – 15th** **Advanced Maintenance of Traffic***
Radisson University Hotel, Orlando
- Sept. 21st** **FICE/FDOT Financial Manager's Workshop***
Tampa
- Sept. 27 – 28th** **Stormwater Management***
(tentative) Orlando Marriott, Lake Mary
- Sept. 30th** **Calusa Chapter Dinner Meeting**
Fiddlesticks Country Club
- October 8th** **REGISTRATION DEADLINE**
18th Annual Scholarship Scramble Golf Tournament
- October 16th** **18th Annual Scholarship Scramble Golf Tournament**
Stonebridge Golf & Country Club

* For additional information on these events, visit www.fleng.org
or contact FES Headquarters at (850)224-7121.

Members are encouraged to contact **David Romano, PE** at (239) 985-1200 or email:
davidromano@holemontes.com to request additional information
or to suggest a future program or event.



*Walt Gilcher passes on the torch to John English,
the new Calusa Chapter President.*



*Kevin Higginson swears in the new FES leadership
(John English, Dave Romano, Pat Jennings,
Adolfo Gonzalez & Elizabeth Fountain).*



Welcome New Calusa Chapter Members

Joseph Bratchie, AS
J. Brandon Lacy, EI
Michael T. Poff, PE
Allyson Swanson, AS

Be sure to welcome them to the Florida Engineering Society and the Calusa Chapter. We encourage you to make contact with new members, invite them to the next chapter meeting, and in general make them feel welcome.



CALUSA CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Members as of July 31, 2003	264
New in July	2
New Y.T.D.	25
Members Lost (not transferred)	1
Transfers In	2
Transfers Out	3
Reinstated After Aug 1, 2003	0
Dropped for Unpaid Dues	0
Members Resigned Y.T.D.	1
Net Members	270
Percentage Growth	2.27%



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