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### SAVE THAT DATE!

FES March Dinner  
Meeting  
**Thursday March 24<sup>th</sup>**  
The Clubhouse at the  
Strand in Naples  
(Look inside for more  
details.)

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

In February we held our **Engineer's Week Banquet** at Germain Arena. Our guest speaker was Dr. Susan Blanchard, the Founding Director of the newly established engineering degree program at FGCU. Dr. Blanchard's presentation was well done and very informative. A key issue that emerged was that the initial degree program did not include a degree in civil engineering. Given the rapid pace of growth in Southwest Florida and the demand for civil engineers in the area should make this an issue of interest with our membership, as many of our member firms are civil engineering consulting firms. Additionally we handed out our annual awards to an outstanding group of Engineers.

Prior to the Engineer's Week Banquet, we held our annual **Mathcounts Competition** at Florida Gulf Coast University. This competition has grown tremendously in size, with around 200 local students. This year's event was, in my opinion, our best yet. FGCU provided new accommodations to us that helped the competition run very well. My compliments and thanks to our Mathcounts Co-Chairs **Roxanne Gause, PE, Elizabeth Fountain, PE** and **Rebecca King, EI** for coordinating a great competition.

The March dinner meeting will be on March 24<sup>th</sup> at The Strand Clubhouse in Naples. Our speaker will be Janet Starnes with the South Florida Water Management District. She will be speaking to us about the District's Everglades Restoration Program. This is an opportunity to hear about a very large project, right here in our back yard. I hope to see many of you there.

Thank you, and I look forward to seeing you at the March dinner meeting.

John English, PE  
President – Calusa Chapter

*Welcome New Members:*

**Arnold Kenly, PE**, AKDM Design Group (reinstated)  
**Dennis Robertson, PE**, Vanasse Daylor (Sponsor: John Musser, PE)  
**Brendan Sloan, AS**, Avalon Engineering (Sponsor: Walt Gilcher, PE)  
**Samuel Updike, Jr., EI**, AIM Engineering (Sponsor: Lawrence Updike, EI)



## Calusa Chapter March Dinner Meeting

Speaker

Janet Starnes

Lead Project Manager – CERP & Federal Projects

South Florida Water Management District

*Program: Everglades Restoration*

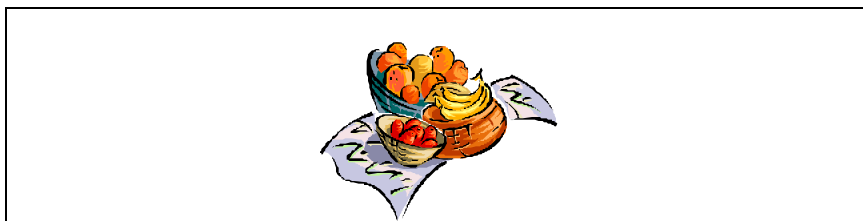
Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2005

**The Clubhouse at the Strand**

**5840 Strand Boulevard, Naples, FL 34110**

Social Hour at 6:00PM – Dinner at 7:00PM

Program Immediately Following Dinner



As Always, Spouses and Guests are Welcome!

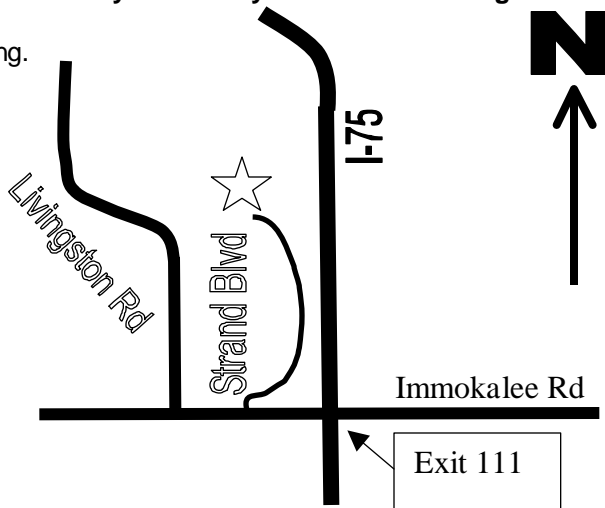
\$25.00 per person

Call (985-1200), fax (985-1258) or email your RSVP to **David Romano, PE** by 12 noon on February 22 ([davidromano@holemontes.com](mailto:davidromano@holemontes.com)). The meeting space is reserved and meals are prepared based on advance registration. The Calusa Chapter is contractually obligated to pay for all meals prepared based on advance registration. Therefore, unless you cancel your reservation by noon the day before the meeting, you are responsible for the fee, regardless of whether you actually attend the meeting.

\_\_\_\_\_ YES, I will be attending.  
(Name)

\_\_\_\_\_ Spouse/Guest  
(Name)

*Meatless meals are available upon request.*





## MATHCOUNTS STATS

We had 22 official teams, and one home schooler show up for the event. A total of one hundred and 146 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students competed in our local contest this year at the Florida Gulf Coast University in Estero. The top ten winning teams and the top individual scorers are:

### Top Teams

- |                                |                                 |                              |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Community School of Naples  | 2. Bonita Springs Middle School | 3. Caloosa Middle School     |
| 4. Gulf Middle School          | 5. Canterbury Middle School     | 6. L.A. Ainger Middle School |
| 7. Paul Laurence Dunbar Middle | 8. Port Charlotte Middle School | 9. Pine Ridge Middle School  |
| 10. Oakridge Middle School     |                                 |                              |

### Individuals

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>
1	Liam Bressler	Community School of Naples
2	Bahar Shah	Paul Laurence Dunbar Middle
3	Aaron Joseph	Community School of Naples
4	Sacha Samotin	Community School of Naples
5	Taylor Burfiled	Community School of Naples
6	Jack Jones	Gulf Middle School
7	Michael Kolb	L.A. Ainger Middle School
8	Chandler Burfield	Community School of Naples
9	Justin Summerville	Paul Laurence Dunbar Middle
10	Ryan Davis	Bonita Springs Middle School
11	Arsalan Wappi	Bonita Springs Middle School
12	Jason Pugh	L.A. Ainger Midller School
13	Kyle Lynch	L.A. Ainger Midller School
14	Grant Robinson	Oakridge Middle School
15	Ashley Cook	Port Charlotte Middle School
16	Jeff Abalos	Oakridge Middle School
17	Justin Graham	Gulf Middle School
18	Max Anderson	Bonita Springs Middle School
19	Kyle Ramey	St. Andrew Catholic School
20	Barkha Shah	Paul Laurence Dunbar Middle
21	Alexander Patten	Corkscrew Middle School

### Participating Schools

Alva Middle School	Gulf Middle School	Paul Laurence Dunbar Middle School
Bonita Springs Middle School	L.A. Ainger Middle School	Pine Ridge Middle School
Caloosa Middle School	Lee Middle School	Port Charlotte Middle School
Canterbury School	Lehigh Acres Middle School	St. Andrew Catholic School
Community School of Naples	Mariner Middle School	Trafalgar Middle School
Corkscrew Middle School	North Fort Myers Academy for the Arts	Veterans Park Academy of the Arts
Crestwell School	Oakridge Middle School	Home Schooler
East Naples Middle School		

We will all be heading to Orlando for the March 11, 2005 statewide competition. The Radisson Plaza and the Orlando Arena will be the site of the **2005 State MathCOUNTS Competition**. The oral rounds will be held on Friday afternoon at the TD Waterhouse Centre and the competitors, alternates and coaches will receive a ticket to attend the Orlando Magic basketball game on Friday evening.



## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

March 17 <sup>th</sup>	FICE/FDOT Drainage Standard Indexes Seminar Tallahassee
March 24 <sup>th</sup>	March Dinner Meeting Everglades Restoration
April 6-7	2005 FES/FICE Legislative Forum Tallahassee
April 14-15	2005 GMEC Conference Orlando
April 18-19	FICE/FDOT Pond Design Seminar St. Augustine
April TBD	April meeting Family Bowling Outing - TBD
May TBD	May meeting Possible FPL Site Visit - TBD
June TBD	Installation of New Officers – FES President Mark L. Mongeau, PE The Clubhouse at the Strand

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



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## THE MATHCOUNTS COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE TO THANK

### Event Volunteers

Brent Addison	Chad Hypes	Toni Poulston
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#### Special thanks to:

- **Allyson Swanson** who purchased, delivered, set-up, fed and cleaned up breakfast and lunch for close to 250 people.
- **Farzaneh Kazemi** for providing a very nice discount for our MathCOUNTS t-shirts.
- **John English** and **Katus Watson** for running the ciphering machine during the Ciphering Round and Countdown Round.
- **Kim Peterson Hoskins** who computed every test score in the scoring room with assistant, **Roxanne Gause**. And **Mr. T Rankin Terry**, an attorney in Fort Myers, who again oversaw the scoring room and also contributed as a sponsor.
- **Kevin Higginson** for acting as moderator again this year and for making the afternoon event a success.
- **Roxanne Gause** for all her help and support for this year's MathCOUNTS event. She is stepping down as Chairperson, but will still be involved with future events.
- **Dr. Charles Lindsey** for all his efforts in getting the facility ready for the event and ensuring plenty of supplies were available.
- **Matt Jones** for all his coordination efforts with the event sponsors.
- **To all the Volunteers** – You made this year's event a success!!