Chair’s Message

Have a Happy Thanksgiving. Come to your APWA Suncoast Branch meeting on Nov 28.

Please remember to renew your APWA National Membership! The Suncoast Branch benefits from your renewal!
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- Norm Robertson
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Not Currently Active

Education Committee:
- Mike Elfers
- Harry Farrar
Not Currently Active

If you have an interest in helping your Branch in any capacity, please contact any of the executive or board members list above.
APWA Suncoast Branch Breakfast Meeting

When: Wednesday, November 28, 2018 at 7:30 AM

Where: Der Dutchman
3713 Bahia Vista St. Sarasota, Florida

Cost: $15

RSVP to Mike Elfers at apwa.fl.suncoast.branch@gmail.com or (941) 539-2334

About the Speaker

What Makes St. Armands Parking Garage Sexy?

Lee-En Chung, P.E. serves as the Owner’s Project Manager for the City of Sarasota on the design and construction of the St. Armands Parking Garage. She will speak about the hybrid precast concrete structure and other appealing elements.

Noted as the first female in Florida to earn both licenses as a general contractor and professional engineer, Lee-En Chung, P.E. founded Ivy Ventures – a construction consulting engineering firm based in Sarasota – in 1992. She graduated from Pine View School and earned her B.S. degree in civil/structural engineering at Columbia University in New York City.

Ivy Ventures provides construction monitoring throughout Florida, including plans and cost review as well as inspections for banks. Projects range from hotels and office buildings to restaurants and gas stations. Lee-En Chung was the Owner’s Representative on the chapel at Sunnyside Village. She also worked on the Owner’s Rep team for Sarasota County on the spring training facilities for the Baltimore Orioles.

Chung epitomizes “Service above Self” thru Rotary Club of Sarasota, where she is proud of her 22 years of perfect attendance.

Lee-En has been honored as “Minority Entrepreneur of the Year” (Greater Sarasota Chamber of Commerce), Women in Business, Leadership Circle (SRQ Magazine), “She Knows Where She’s Going Award” (Girls Inc.), National Pacesetter Award in “Customer Service” (Custom Home magazine) and “Community Champion” in 2017 (Second Chance Last Opportunity).

Chung remains an active Columbia alumna and mentors high school and college students nationwide in engineering.
December 12, 2018—Joint Winter Social: (FWEA—AWWA—APWA—ASCE—FES)
• Wednesday, December 12, 2018
• 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM
• Evie’s Tavern 4735 Bee Ridge Rd., Sarasota FL 34233
• See separate flyer

Appetizers and beverages will be provided. Please bring an unwrapped gift for Toys for Tots

January 23, 2019—Sarasota County Administrator Jonathan Lewis.
Topic: State of the County

February 27, 2019—Special Hoperations: Beer from Wastewater. Yum
Meeting Location Change
Sarasota County BOB—Conference Room 1

March 27, 2019—Chas Jordan, Pavement Technologies Inc.;
Titanium Dioxide as a pavement additive to reduce smog
Meeting Location Change
Sarasota County BOB—Conference Room 1

April 24, 2019—Greg Coker-FPL

April 27, 2019—Sporting Clay Shoot at Knight Trail Park

If you know of a speaker with a topic that our members want to hear, please contact Arne Lash (see Pg. 2) to coordinate.

The passing of a legend

Dorcas Reilly, Creator of the Classic American Green-Bean Casserole, Dies at 92

Dorcas B. Reilly invented the classic American dish of green-bean casserole when she worked in the Campbell Soup Company test kitchen, it remains a staple at Thanksgiving Day dinners across the country.

Mrs. Reilly, who died on Oct. 15 at a hospital in Camden, was among the first full-time employees of the Campbell’s home economics department, where she helped to create recipes printed on the labels of its products. Her husband, Thomas H. Reilly, confirmed her death. She was 92.

“We worked in the kitchen with things that were most likely to be in most homes,” Mrs. Reilly once said. “It’s so easy. And it’s not an expensive thing to make, too.”

Her recipe calls for mixing a can of cream of mushroom soup, cooked green beans, a bit of milk, soy sauce and pepper. Pop it in the oven, toss some crunchy fried onions on top, and voilà.

Mrs. Reilly left Campbell’s in 1961 to raise her children, but returned years later as a manager, a position she held until she retired in 1988. In 2002, Campbell’s donated the original recipe card for the green-bean casserole, written by Mrs. Reilly, to the National Inventors Hall of Fame.
Current Job Openings  In and around the Suncoast Branch
Sarasota County — 25 current job openings:
https://www.scgov.net/HR/Pages/CareerOpportunities.aspx

City of Bradenton — 36 current job openings:
https://www.cityofbradenton.com/?SEC=DD306069-33DE-4FE7-A3DF-8B05BFDF465E

Manatee County — 18 current job openings:
https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/manateecounty

City of Sarasota — 18 current job openings
https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/sarasotagov

City of North Port — 7 current job openings:
http://agency.governmentjobs.com/northportfl/default.cfm

City of Venice — 10 current job openings:
https://www.venicegov.com/government/human-resources/apply-online

City of Longboat Key — 2 current job openings:
http://www.longboatkey.org/employment.aspx

City of Bradenton Beach— 0 current job openings:
http://www.cityofbradentonbeach.com/current-opportunities/

City of Anna Maria — 0 current job openings:

City of Holmes Beach— 1 current job openings:
http://holmesbeachfl.org/cities/cohb/employment.asp

City of Arcadia — 2 current job openings:
http://arcadia-fl.gov/job_listings.php

Charlotte County— 28 current job openings:
https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/charlottecountyfl

Desoto County — 3 current job openings:
http://desotoboccc.com/department/human_resources/employment-opportunities
Local Events of Interest
- The Florida Surveying and Mapping Society will hold their Inaugural Sporting Clay Shoot on Saturday, December 1, 2018—See flyer attached to the email.
  Contact Shane Cristy at Hyatt Survey 941-748-4693 or shane@hyattsurvey.com
- APWA Suncoast Branch is looking for someone interested in heading up a Young Professional Group for the Branch.
  Contact Seton Katz (941) 365-2200 or Seton.Katz@sarasotaFL.gov.

In Memoriam — Susan Kay Garland
November 4, 1953 - October 4, 2018

The Suncoast branch of APWA mourns the loss of Sue Garland last week. Sue had been very active in the branch over the years, especially in the annual Golf Tournament and always willing to pitch in and help out where needed. Sue made a difference in the lives of many people and will be greatly missed.

Sue Garland, 64, lost her battle with cancer on October 4, 2018. Sue was born November 4, 1953 in Fort Dodge, Iowa and moved to Sarasota, FL in 1963 where she spent the rest of her life living her mantra of Live, Laugh, Love. Sue retired from Sarasota County Government in 2011 and spent her retirement years traveling, bowling, enjoying multiple arts & crafts, volunteering and playing games with anyone and everyone.

Sue was a part of many organizations: Girl Scouts, Sarasota Bowlers Hall of Fame, APBW, Venice Basket Weavers Guild, Sarasota Surface Design Guild to name a few. Sue loved the Arts and crafted many beautifully woven baskets as well as clay, glass, fabric and paper items. Sue was a proficient bowler winning many awards over the years but also winning the hearts of all she came in contact with. She was sharp witted, loving and giving. Sue loved animals and enjoyed multiple pets throughout her life. Sue loved to volunteer and supported the Girl Scouts by becoming a volunteer troop leader for the past 7 years.

Sue is survived by her brothers Kemper Slidell III (Janice) and James Slidell (Joan); nephews and nieces; Bill Slidell, Kemper Slidell IV, April Neuhaus, Justin Slidell, Ashley Schmidt: 10 great nephews and nieces as well as countless cousins and friends and by her loving dog Jibbons. Sue's ashes will be laid to rest with her loving parents Kemper and Ruth Slidell Jr. at Palms Memorial Gardens.

In lieu of flowers, the family is asking for donations to be made in Sue's name to Girl Scouts of Gulfcoast FL Inc.