Greetings from the Space Coast!

It is with great excitement that I write to you as Branch Chairman for the first time. The Central Florida Branch has a lot of great events coming up and we look forward to networking, learning and serving with you!

On June 10th, Orlando was selected as the 2017 annual conference site which will be hosted at the Orange County Convention Center. We haven’t hosted the “Best Show in Public Works” since 1989! There will be many upcoming volunteer opportunities to help make this a success. Please stay tuned!

I would like to thank everyone that joined us a few weeks ago for the Give Kids The World volunteer landscape event in Kissimmee. It was very rewarding to be able to give back with a wonderful team of volunteers and I encourage everyone to attend next quarter.

We are always looking for members who would like to help plan an event. We currently have a few Executive Committee positions open (Director for Lake County, Director for Osceola County and Rodeo Chair). Please contact me if you are interested.

In closing, I wish you success during the remainder of budget preparation season and hope that your communities are able to provide funding for infrastructure maintenance and improvement projects. As the “First to Respond, Last to Leave”, I hope your teams continue to be prepared for emergency events throughout hurricane season and beyond. I would like to thank our Executive Board Team and members for your continued contribution to this Branch and the public works profession. I look forward to continue serving as your Branch Chairman.

Kind regards,

Amanda Milliron
Assistant Public Works Director, City of Palm Bay
Presenting your new 2015 - 2016
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**8th Annual ASCE Icebreaker**

**Registration Details:**
- Early Registration
- Individual: $30 per person
- Group of 5 or more: $25 per person
- Late Registration / Walk-in (After July 2nd)
- $40 per person

**Registration Includes:**
- 2 drink tickets (additional drink tickets available for purchase)
- Appetizers and Dessert

**Registration Link**
[Click here to register](#)

**When**
Thursday July 16, 2015 from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM EDT

**Where**
Orlando Science Center - Dino Digs 777 E Princeton Street Orlando, FL 32803

Networking with over 200 professionals in the Central Florida engineering industry representing over 50 firms, government agencies, and professional organizations (including **APWA Central Florida Branch**!!)

Complimentary, covered parking
Central Florida Branch WINS the Presidential Award for Branch Excellence again!!!

Chris Thompson is the FL Chapter’s Community Involvement Member of the Year!

CONGRATS Amanda Millirons for winning FL Chapter AND NATIONAL Young Leader of the Year!!

Mike McCabe is recognized as FL Chapter’s Member of the Year!!!!

Christiane Nelson was awarded a scholarship by APWA FL Chapter!
Paul Moore wins the Anthony W. Leffin Lifetime Achievement Award!

Rick Howard is recognized at the Public Works Director Roundtable as PWD of the YEAR!!! (PWD, City of Orlando)
The Central FL Branch held its Annual Awards Meeting at Venetian Bay in Volusia County. During this Annual Meeting, Awards are given, Officers are recognized, and Anniversary Pins are distributed.

Chris Thompson, Community Involvement Member of the Year
RS&H wins Consultant of the Year for the City of Orlando Floodplains Mapping Study! (Renato Gonzalez accepting)
City of Orlando wins Project of the Year for the City of Orlando Floodplains Mapping Study! (Bill Burns accepting)
Matt LaChance (MWV), Member of the Year; and recognition for serving as Chairman
Happy APWA Anniversary!!

Bill Burns, City of Orlando
Jeff Thurman, LA Consulting
Jim Myers, TLP Engineering
Thank you for your Branch leadership 2014/2015!

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Central Florida Branch Friends

Amanda Millirons and Elia Twigg,
City of Palm Bay

Chas Jordan appeared as our special guest!! Chas is currently the President-Elect of the FL Chapter

Our other special guest, Todd Buckles, FACERS representative/ Volusia County
Alternate Modes of Transportation
& How They Tie Into Traditional Transportation Infrastructure

Central Florida is booming with multiple major transportation projects. Interested in learning more about the technical aspects of these projects? Join FES Central Florida Chapter and APWA Central FL Branch as we co-host this Technical Transportation Panel. Representatives will be joining us from FDOT, CFX, FTE, AAF, LYNX, GOAA and MetroPlan to discuss their projects and how they tie into traditional transportation infrastructure. Registration is open now: a hot lunch will be provided; PDHs will be provided as well.

Panel Sponsors:  
RS&H  
Engineering Consultants, Inc.

This panel is co-hosted by:

Panelists:
- Loreen Bobo, I-4 Ultimate Construction Manager, FDOT
- Brad Friel, Director of Planning, Greater Orlando Aviation Authority
- Tawny Olore, SunRail Project Manager, FDOT
- Andrea Ostrodka, Director of Planning & Development, LYNX
- Glenn Pressimone, Director of Engineering, Central Florida Expressway Authority
- Michael Shannon, Director of Transportation Development, Florida's Turnpike Enterprise
- Adrian Share, Executive Vice President, Rail Infrastructure, All Aboard Florida
- Moderator: Gary Huttmann, Deputy Executive Director, MetroPlan Orlando

Tuesday, May 26
11:30am—1:30pm
Registration: 11:30am
Program: noon-1:30pm
Location:
Florida’s Turnpike Headquarters, Mile Post 263
Ocoee, FL 34761
APWA co-hosted the Alternate Modes of Transportation Panel with FES on May 26. Attendance was high at 100+. Attendees were eligible to receive 2PDHs through APWA.
The Central Florida Branch of the APWA chose “Give Kids the World” as the charity they wanted to be involved in. This organization has literally touched the lives of hundreds of thousands of family members of children with life threatening illnesses. How special it is to have the opportunity to vacation for a whole week in Florida as a family unit. Saturday’s quarterly Volunteer Landscaping Day was hot but well attended. 15 volunteers started the day early, willing to sweat it out and get it done. We certainly transformed our assigned area. Along with our APWA core of regulars, we had a volunteer from the Air Force (she missed the group picture), a regular volunteer from the US Forestry and several young people lending a hand. I am so proud and appreciative for the involvement our branch provides.

Thank you,
Chris Thompson

If you would like to participate in the next landscape day (10/10), please contact Chris at: cthompson@tavares.org
Date: Saturday, 10/10/15

Time: 8:00am
Location: Give Kids The World Village
210 South Bass Road
Kissimmee, FL 34746
Meet at the House Of Hearts @ 8am
* Lunch will be provided afterwards

Join your friends from APWA (Central FL Branch) as we spend half a day helping out with landscaping at the Give Kids the World Village (GKTW) in Kissimmee. APWA CFB adopted GKTW as our official charity in 2012.

**Give Kids The World Village (GKTW)** is a 70-acre, non-profit resort in Central Florida that creates magical memories for children with life-threatening illnesses and their families. GKTW provides accommodations at its whimsical resort, donated attractions tickets (Disney, Universal, etc.), meals and more for a week-long, cost-free fantasy vacation. With the help of many generous individuals, corporations and partnering wish-granting organizations, Give Kids The World has welcomed more than 85,000 families from all 50 United States and over 60 countries.

RSVP by 10/07/15 (and questions) to
Chris Thompson cthompson@tavares.org

Please bring your own gloves, hand tools, rakes, etc. for planting, trimming, weeding, mulching, etc.
10/24/15  UCF v. Houston
Joint APWA CFB / FES CFL
Tailgate & Football Game!

Date: Saturday
10/24/15
Tailgate: TBD
Game Time: TBD

Cost: $28/ticket (+ parking)
Section TBD
Parking info below

THANK YOU TO OUR EVENT SPONSORS:

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VHB Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc.

FOOD: Thanks to our sponsors, we will once again have food delivered to our tent. This event will be sponsored so no cost for food!

RSVP to amy.blada@rsandh.com or 813-468-4576 - you must also mail check and registration form.

Just bring chairs or a blanket, and whatever you want to drink!!

Parking Information: (see map—page 3)
On gameday, Garage H is a $20 cash garage.
APWA/FES social will be in E7, east side of the stadium.
Joint APWA CFB/FES CFL Chapter
UCF Football Social Registration Form

WHEN: Saturday, October 24 2015
TIME: TBD
WHERE: Brighthouse Networks Stadium, Orlando, FL

COST: *$28/ticket
*Please make check payable to “Central FL Branch APWA”
*Deliver check and registration form by October 16 to:

Amy Blaida
C/o RS&H
301 E Pine St, Ste. 350
Orlando, FL 32801

*$28 includes food and 1 football ticket

REGISTRATION

Name: ________________________________

Email: ________________________________

# of football tickets ($28 each): _________

TOTAL: $__________

*You must send payment in to receive football tickets

GAME QUESTIONS: Contact Amy Blaida, amy.blaida@rsandh.com
or (813) 468-4576
## NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to all of our NEW Central Florida Branch Members who joined APWA in October 2014—June 2015

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| Director (Volusia):           | Scott Martin             | smartin@volusia.org                       |
| Director (Lake):              | Vacant                   |                                            |
| Director (Osceola):           | Vacant                   |                                            |
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The Branch is only as good as WE as a TEAM make it!

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**ALL ABOUT APWA MEMBERSHIP**

**Get your first year of individual membership at half price! $90**

Any employee or official of a governmental agency, manufacturer/supplier, contractor, or consulting firm who is actively engaged in the field of public works and has not previously been an APWA national association member is eligible for the First-Time Member Special Offer. The special offer is also available for adding first-time members to your existing group’s roster or starting a new group membership.

**Special offer price:**

**Individual membership $90** (regularly $179 USD)

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**What can you do with an APWA membership?**

- Tap into the knowledge and experience of more than 28,500 people in public works/infrastructure
- Get connections to hundreds of corporations that provide products or services for public works
- Receive top quality educational opportunities—online and live training is available—discounted prices for members
- Earn CEUs or PDHs
- Get member-only pricing on purchases of industry-related books, videos, public outreach tools, and other materials
- Free access to live and pre-recorded Click, Listen & Learn webinars
- Free access to recorded sessions from prior International Public Works Congress & Exposition events
- Discover the best practices in the public works industry through personal certification programs and accreditation programs for public agencies
- Participate as a member at the local chapter level

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**Who are APWA members?**

They are people in the US and Canada (and some international professionals too) who handle infrastructure-related issues in:

- **Construction Management**
- **Emergency Management**
- **Engineering and Technology**
  - Facilities
  - Fleet Services
- **Grounds and Urban Forestry**
- **Leadership and Management**
  - Solid Waste
  - Sustainability
- **Transportation** (streets/roads, bridges, signage, and transit)
- **Utility and Public Right-of-Way**
- **Water** (potable, stormwater, and wastewater)
- **Winter Maintenance**

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**How does your membership help others?**

Your support helps APWA efforts to champion policies which create livable communities and economic growth on behalf of all levels of government. Eight percent (8%) of APWA's total operating budget is allocated toward advocacy-related programs, including staff salaries.

**APWA’s public policy objectives are guided by these principles:**

- Support for adequate investment in public infrastructure.
- Respect for local authority.
- Reasonable regulations and protection from unfunded mandates.
- Support for streamlining government oversight.
- Support for sustainability and environmental stewardship.

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**http://www.apwa.net/membership/**
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**Emerging Leaders Academy**

**ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

To be eligible for APWA’s Emerging Leaders Academy, candidates must be:

- Individuals who have been working in the field of public works or performing public works-related functions for no more than 10 years but have been promoted into their first leadership role within the past three years. (Note: the total number of years includes public works-related employment at both public and private agencies.)
- Interest in advancing their careers within the public works profession
- Committed to full participation in all Emerging Leader Academy assignments and activities, with the full support of their agency’s executive leadership.
- Participation in a pre-application conference call on July 30, 2015 at 2 p.m. CDT

**APPLICATION PROCESS**

The deadline for receipt of applications and supporting materials for the next class (September 2015 – August 2016) is 12 Noon CDT, Friday, August 14, 2015.

Selected applicants will be notified by Monday September 21, 2015.

A completed application packet includes five components:

- Current resume (no more than two pages long)
- Program Agreement Form, signed by the applicant, the applicant’s department or division head, and the applicant’s financial sponsor confirming support for attendance at APWA Congress & Exposition in Minneapolis, MN
- Letter of recommendation from a colleague in public works profession (e.g., co-worker, mentor, colleague from another organization, etc.)
- Letter of recommendation from the applicant’s immediate supervisor
- A completed and signed application form received in the National Office of APWA on or before the due date of 12 Noon CDT, Friday, August 14, 2015

**COMMITMENT**

- Participation on monthly Emerging Leaders Academy class conference calls
- Timely submission of program-related homework assignments
- Attendance at the Emerging Leaders Academy Retreat in Kansas City, MO (November 12-14, 2015)
- Attendance at the APWA International Public Works Congress and Exposition in Minneapolis, MN (August 28-31, 2016)
- Financial support from designated sponsor for attendance at APWA International Congress and Exposition in Minnesota, in August 2016 (Note: this includes Congress registration fee, round-trip travel costs, hotel accommodations and meals)
- Completion of class project
- Member of APWA (if not a current member)

**SELECTION CRITERIA**

Successful candidates have:

- Demonstrated a commitment to leadership in their organization and their community
- Sought growth in responsibility in their organization
- Envisioned a more significant leadership role in their organization and their community in the future
- Clearly defined goals
- A willingness to contribute to the success of the Emerging Leaders Academy class
- Submitted a complete application package to be received by APWA no later than 12 Noon CDT Friday, August 14, 2015

NOTE. For each successful applicant, APWA National will pay for all approved Emerging Leaders Academy-related expenses EXCEPT costs associated with attendance at the 2016 APWA Congress.
The Central Florida Branch would like to THANK all of our current members and WELCOME all of our NEW members who joined APWA during this quarter. We would like to encourage input on how we can make our Branch better and we can better provide you with better educational meetings and events. Please contact anyone listed on the back page of this Newsletter. And we always have room for more folks on our Branch Executive Committee.

The Branch is only as good as WE as a TEAM make it!

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QUARTERLY INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP COMPETITION

Individuals (must be an APWA FL Chapter member) who sign up a NEW member are entered into a quarterly drawing to receive an exclusive prize (the more members you sign up, the greater your chance is to WIN). See prize below.

- RULES
  - **YOU must send** membership info to prospective member & copy (or BCC) Amy Blaida: amy.blaida@rsandh.com (or just email the name of the individual)
  - **YOU must follow up** with Amy when this member has joined APWA.

- Timeline
  - You will receive one name in the drawing for each member that joins because of YOU (as of October 15, 2014). Name will be selected July 24, the next scheduled Executive Committee Meeting in 2015 as long as we have at least 20 entries!
  - Last day to sign up new member: July 20, 2015.

1st 2015 PRIZE: Apple Watch