March 2012

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

West Coast Branch Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet - March 14, 2012 - Tampa Palms Country Club
Florida Chapter Annual Meeting and Trade Show - April 2-6, 2012 - Tampa Convention Center

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Branch Bi-Monthly Meetings - ALL MEMBERS ARE REQUESTED AND INVITED TO ATTEND, Please RSVP

Current Meeting Schedule – We will be meeting at 9:30 am on the second Wednesday of every other month as follows:

RSVP by emailing: apwa.wcb.florida@gmail.com

March 14, 2012 - Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet

Executive Committee Meeting - 9:30 AM
Luncheon and Speaker - 11:30 AM
Awards and Scholarship Presentations - 12:00 PM
Introduction of 2012-2013 Officers - 12:30 PM

Registration has been extended to March 8th, 2012

All members and Public Works professionals are invited to attend this luncheon event to recognize outstanding members, scholarship winners, and elect our incoming officers. The lunch is only $20 per person (as opposed to the $35-40 per person dinner in previous years) and is during the lunchtime of our member organizations. We hope you and your employees can all come out to hear a great speaker and see your colleagues be recognized! Registration form is attached.
May 9, 2012 - Branch Bi-Monthly Meeting  
City of Inverness - More Information to Follow.

Election of 2012-2013 Officers of the West Coast Branch

Due to the lack of additional nominations, the following members will be presented at the 2012 Annual Meeting for election as the 2012-2013 Branch Officers:

For Chairperson:
Randy Shane, Roadway Management

For Vice Chairperson:
Brandi Allegood, RS&H

For Treasurer:
Sala Garbaj, Hillsborough County

For Secretary:
Perry Lopez, Town of Belleair

Register Now for the 2012 Florida Chapter Annual Meeting and Trade Show


The 2012 Florida Chapter Annual Meeting and Trade Show will be held at the Tampa Convention Center on April 2-5, 2011. This is a great opportunity to show the Public Works Professionals in our state what is great about Tampa Bay! We have some of the best and most supportive vendors in the state, one of the greatest concentrations of membership, and a wealth of Public Works Projects to use as case studies for interesting educational opportunities. The 2012 Trade Show will hopefully be the biggest and the best but we need YOUR support to make it happen.

This event can only be a success with the assistance of our outstanding members. Please contact Chris Evers at cevers@ejbreneman.com or Chas Jordan at cjordan@largo.com if you are interested in helping! Either way see you at the Show in April!

Call for Nominations for the West Coast Branch Executive Committee

The West Coast Branch Nominating Committee is accepting resumes and nominations for interested individuals who would like to serve on the Executive Committee. Currently, there is one (1) vacancy, however, new terms begin in April 2012. If you are interested in serving APWA as a member of the Executive Committee, please email a nomination and resume to: apwa.wcb.florida@gmail.com.

West Coast Branch Award Winners Announced

The following members and awards will be presented this month at the Annual Meeting and Awards Luncheon (the Member of the Year, Chairman's Award, and Award of Excellence winners will be announced at the event):

Meritorious Service Awards
Robert Gordon, P.E. - Director of Public Works, City of Temple Terrace, Florida
Larry Cox – Public Services Supervisor, City of Dunedin, Florida
Dean Scharmen – Director of Public Works, City of Indian Rocks Beach, Florida

Consultant of the Year
Kisinger Campo & Associates

Contractor of the Year
Roadway Management, Inc.

Technical & Management Innovation Award
City of Clearwater – Compressed Natural Gas Fueling Station

Young Leader Award
Brandi Allegood - RS&H

Projects of the Year:
Structures – Pinellas County – Public Works Emergency Responders Complex
Transportation – City of Lakeland – Parker Street Beautification
Historic Restoration – City of Temple Terrace - 56th Street Corridor Improvements
Environmental – Hillsborough County – Integration of Water Treatment Systems with Energy Derived from Municipal Waste
Water Resources – Hillsborough County – Stearns and Hillgrove Drainage Improvements

Congratulations to the Winners of the 2012 Equipment Rodeo:
We had over 150 people attend the inaugural Equipment Rodeo at England Bros. Park in Pinellas Park, Florida! Over 50 operators competed for 1st Place in six events and Top Gun overall. The event was a great time for all involved. Here are the operators who came out on top this year:

Jamie Hayes – Claw Truck (City of Largo)
Richard Ging – Sweeper (PTEC)
Trevor Bacon – Vac Truck (City of Dunedin)
Lenny Perri -- Auto Side Loader (City of Largo)
Brian Cregger – Backhoe (City of Pinellas Park)
Michael Ritter – Gradall (City of Pinellas Park)
Brian Thornton – Top Gun (City of Lakeland)

Sponsorship Opportunities for Vendors and Supporters of the West Coast Branch
The West Coast Branch greatly appreciates the work our Vendor Members and Supporters has done throughout our history in making sure the Public Works Professionals in the Tampa Bay Area are appropriately trained, educated on the latest technology, supported in their higher education, and enjoying our experiences of networking with others in our field. Without the vendors support, the Branch would not be able to perform these functions and perform them well. This year, we have updated the sponsorship information for the West Coast Branch to provide more opportunities for Vendors to support the Branch, but more importantly, to provide Vendors more equity from the sponsorships and support they provide. With that, please click on the following link to find out about the ways in 2011-2012 your business can help support the West Coast Branch and in turn, our members can help support you!
SEE A COMPLETE LIST OF WEST COAST BRANCH SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES HERE

Please contact Troy McCain, Sponsorship Chairperson at troy.mccain@lakelandgov.net or Chas Jordan, Branch Chairperson at cjordan@largo.com for more details!

Contact Information for Members

The West Coast Branch appreciates the benefits that technology and electronic mail provide. We will be providing electronic communications such as this, event information, and our quarterly newsletters through email. Unfortunately, a few of our members currently do not have an email listed with APWA. If you have a coworker who you know to be a member of APWA and our Branch but who does not receive our emails, please forward them this newsletter and let them know they can update their email address through the "Members Only" section of www.apwa.net. They should also email apwa.wcb.florida@gmail.com so that their email address can be utilized immediately.

Upcoming Programs Offered through the pTEC Public Works Academy

Click Here for Information on the 2011-2012 Programs of the pTEC Public Works Academy

For more information please contact Rohland Bryant at: bryantro@pcsb.org or go to: http://www.publicworksacademy.org

Winter Newsletter

The Winter Issue of the West Coast Branch Newsletter has been published! Special thanks to Brandi Allegood and Carolyn Steves at Reynolds, Smith and Hills, Inc. (RS&H) for compiling the information, formatting, and publishing it!

The Newsletter can be found by clicking this link: http://florida.apwa.net/download/BBD32E58-CE95-4FE1-AF20-FED960C4CBCF

Remember to print it out and show it to the members in your organization!

Current Job Openings
In and around the West Coast Branch - Provided by APWA Workzone

Administrator - Public Works and Utility Services - City of Tampa - $97,489.60 - $153,004.80

The City of Tampa is accepting applications for the position of Administrator of Public Works & Utility Services. Please visit www.tampagov.net to review the position description and job requirements and to file an application. Applications must be received by February 27, 2012.

http://www2.apwa.net/Workzone/jobDetails.asp?TABLE_ID=9669

Executive Director of Environment and Infrastructure - Pinellas County Government - $124,024 - $193,356

Executive Director, Environment and Infrastructure, Pinellas County, FL, population 916,500. This position is equivalent to an Assistant County Administrator and oversees Utilities, Public Works and Natural Resource Protection among other things. The County is seeking an experienced, inspirational, achievement-oriented, proven leader who is comfortable managing large, complex, multi-million dollar departments while interacting with multiple internal and external actors. More details at www.cb-asso.com under Executive Recruiting / Active Recruitments. E-mail your resume to RecruitSeven@cb-asso.com by February 3, 2012. Questions should be directed to Colin Baenziger at (561) 707-3537.

http://www2.apwa.net/Workzone/jobDetails.asp?TABLE_ID=9584

Capital Projects Manager - Town of Lauderdale-by-the-Sea - $73,000

At least 5 yrs civil capital projects exp; a combination of gov’t and private sector exp pref’d. Bachelor’s Degree req’d. Exp administering construction grants preferred. Salary $73,000 DOQ + benefits. Open until filled. EOE/M/F/D/V, DFWP. Application and add’l info at www.lbts-fl.gov. Previous applicants need not apply. Florida residents only.

http://www2.apwa.net/Workzone/jobDetails.asp?TABLE_ID=9585

Manager, Compliance & Operations - City of Sarasota - $58,878 - $75,037

Plan, direct, manage, supervise and evaluate all Utilities operations and maintenance staff, programs and activities, including Utilities water and wastewater treatment operations, maintenance of treatment plants, reclaimed water facilities programs and activities. Overseer compliance for all treatment plants and ensure all testing requirements are met. Apply online by 2/24/12. http://www.sarasotagov.com/OnlineServices/Content/Employment/EmployHP.html

http://www2.apwa.net/Workzone/jobDetails.asp?TABLE_ID=9635
Water Resources & Utilities Director - Volusia County - $78,803 - $118,204
Bachelor’s degree in Civil or Environmental Engineering, Public Administration, Business Administration, Finance, or related field. The preferred candidate will have a Master’s degree in one of the above disciplines. Minimum five (5) years of broad scope, senior level management experience in a medium to large governmental agency or private company. A comparable amount of education, training or experience may substitute for the minimum qualifications. For details or to apply, go to: http://volusia.org/personnel/employment and click on the Job Opportunities link.
http://www2.apwa.net/Workzone/jobDetails.asp?TABLE_ID=9642

Senior Deputy Director of Public Works - City of Leesburg - $65,873 - $96,720
The senior deputy director is a highly visible position within the city organization, the public and other government agencies, overseeing all aspects of Public Works in coordination with the director and acting in authority in his/her absence. Direct supervision of more than 100 employees, managing operations and public projects, preparing budgets, developing department policies and procedures, long-range organizational planning, managing utility enterprise funds and evaluating, documenting and reporting activities to city administration and elected officials.
http://www2.apwa.net/Workzone/jobDetails.asp?TABLE_ID=9711

Upcoming Educational Opportunities through APWA
Click, Listen, and Learn Programs:

March 6, 2012 - Self Assessment: A Checklist for Improvement (Rebroadcast) - http://www2.apwa.net/events/eventdetail.asp?ID=5352
March 15, 2012 - Using Performance Measurements to Cope with Layoffs - http://www2.apwa.net/events/eventdetail.asp?ID=5325
March 20, 2012 - The New AASHTO Transportation Green Book (Rebroadcast) - http://www2.apwa.net/events/eventdetail.asp?ID=5330
March 27, 2012 - Liquid Use in Winter Maintenance - http://www2.apwa.net/events/eventdetail.asp?ID=5333
April 3, 2012 - Clients and Consultants – How to Work Together for the Best Possible Project (Rebroadcast) - http://www2.apwa.net/events/eventdetail.asp?ID=5331
April 10, 2012 - Utility Coordination for Municipal Capital Improvement Projects (Rebroadcast) - http://www2.apwa.net/events/eventdetail.asp?ID=5354

For more Educational Opportunities, Click Here: http://www2.apwa.net/Education/

2011-2012 Officers Contact Information
Chairperson - Charles "Chas" Jordan (City of Largo) - (727) 587-6740 x4302 - cjordan@largo.com
Vice Chairperson - Randy Shane (Roadway Management) - (863) 287-5210 - rshane@roadwaymanagement.com
Treasurer - Sala Garbaj (Hillsborough County) - (813) 635-5496 - garbaja@hillsboroughcounty.org
Secretary - Brandi Allegood (RS&H) - (813) 289-5550 x2685 - brandi.allegood@rsandh.com
District Representative - Robert Nowak (City of Largo) - (727) 587-6718 - rnowak@largo.com
Florida Chapter President-Elect - Chris Evers (E.J. Breneman, L.P.) - (813) 377-1157 - cevers@ejbreneman.com
West Coast Branch Event Pictures - http://picasaweb.google.com/apwa.wcb.florida or http://picasaweb.google.com/apwa.wcb.florida1