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2010 Florida MATHCOUNTS® Competition

VOLUNTEER AND YOU QUALIFY FOR A FREE TICKET TO DISNEY

Did you miss the opportunity to volunteer for your local Chapter Competition? Do you want a free ticket to Disney? Have you participated in Disney's *Give a Day, Get a Disney Day* program this year? If you have not participated this year, you can volunteer on Friday, March 26, 2010 at the Florida MATHCOUNTS State Competition and qualify to receive a free ticket to Disney!

Simply click [here](#) to fill out the volunteer registration form. After your volunteer registration is submitted and processed, you will receive information on how to register for your Disney ticket.

For more information on Florida MATHCOUNTS, please click [here](#).

Date: March 26, 2010

Location: Hilton Orlando Altamonte Springs
350 North Lake Boulevard
Altamonte Springs, Florida, 32701
(407) 830-1985

A special group rate of \$99.00 per night, plus tax is available until March 15, 2010. Please note that this is the date through which the hotel will hold any rooms left in the block, but it does not guarantee that rooms will not sell out prior to the reservation deadline. Please make your hotel reservations as soon as possible to help ensure rate and availability. To make a reservation, please call (407) 830-1985 and reference the group code "MATH".

Site Development Permitting in Northeast Florida

Date: April 6, 2010

Location: Embassy Suites Jacksonville

5 PDHs of Technical Engineering Credit

Who should attend?

Engineers involved with site development permitting in the City of Jacksonville and Clay County, including presentations from JEA, SJRWMD, and FDOT – District 2

Why?

Learn recent rule changes and changes being considered
Learn how best to expedite the review and approval process
Hear from the people who actually review your applications

For more information and to register, please click [here](#).

Wish FES/FICE would hold a seminar on a particular topic? Bring more programs to your city?

We would love to hear from you! Please email Dee Kring, Director of Continuing Education at dkring@fleng.org.

FICE Advanced Work Zone Traffic Control Refresher Course

Date: April 22, 2010

Location: Orlando Marriott Lake Mary

6 PDHs of Technical Engineering Credit

Course Prerequisite

Persons that have successfully completed training in the Restricted Activities or Intermediate or Advanced category and have kept their certification current by retesting from an approved provider may take the appropriate category refresher course to comply with this procedure. A failing grade on the refresher test requires that the full course must be taken and successfully completed. A wallet card from an approved provider must be no more than four years old to be considered current.

For more information and to register, please click [here](#).

Geotechnical and Materials Engineers Council (GMEC) 2010 Conference

Dates: May 6-7, 2010

Location: Hilton in the Walt Disney World Resort, Lake Buena Vista

Who Should Attend? Geotechnical and materials engineers

Why? Quality technical presentations; Quality networking opportunities; Quality geotechnical exhibits...plus 8 PDH technical area of practice credit valid for FL PE license renewal...plus 4 PDH laws and rules credit valid for FL PE license renewal.

To download a brochure, please click [here](#).

For more information and to register, please click [here](#).

2010 FICE Transportation Conference Formerly "Consultant's Conference"

Dates: May 26-27, 2010

Location: Hyatt Regency Orlando International Airport Hotel

Key industry spokespersons will discuss:

- Transportation funding from Florida and national perspectives
- Where stimulus dollars are being spent
- Major projects throughout the state

To download an agenda, please click [here](#).

For more information and to register, please click [here](#).

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION FEES VALID THROUGH MARCH 31ST.

2010 FES Leadership Conference

Dates: June 11-12, 2010

Location: The Shores Resort & Spa, Daytona Beach, FL



Leaders receive the best bounty from their hard work and dedication. The treasure is making a difference in the work environment, the community, and at all levels of development. The 2010 FES Leadership Conference will provide the tools, information, and connections for today's (and tomorrow's) leaders. The 2010 Leadership Advisory Committee has set sail on a two-day program that is full of golden opportunities to reach the new leader, emerging leader and the seasoned.

To download a brochure, please click [here](#).

For more information and to register, please click [here](#).

FICE Advanced Work Zone Traffic Control

Dates: July 20-22, 2010

Location: Orlando Marriott Lake Mary

20 PDHs of Technical Engineering Credit

Course Prerequisite

One year of experience in work zone traffic control or one year being responsible for work zone traffic control plan development.

Requirement

This course is required for personnel with responsibility or authority to decide on the specific maintenance of traffic requirements to be implemented. These positions include the following:

- (a) The engineer responsible for the work zone traffic control plan development;
- (b) The work zone traffic control supervisor.

This course is not required for submitting Traffic Control Plans for utility work, unless such persons have to sign and seal the Traffic Control Plans in accordance with the UAM.

For more information and to register, please click [here](#).

FICE Advanced Work Zone Traffic Control Refresher Course

Date: August 26, 2010

Location: Marriott Tampa Waterside

6 PDHs of Technical Engineering Credit

Course Prerequisite

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For more information and to register, please click [here](#).

FICE Roadside Design

Dates: September 14-16, 2010

Location: Midtown Hiltons, Hilton Garden Inn Lake Buena Vista

24 PDHs of Technical Engineering Credit

Who should attend?

Engineers, designers, and technicians interested in roadside design and those looking to refresh their knowledge.

For more information and to register, please click [here](#).

Distance Learning

Laws And Rules

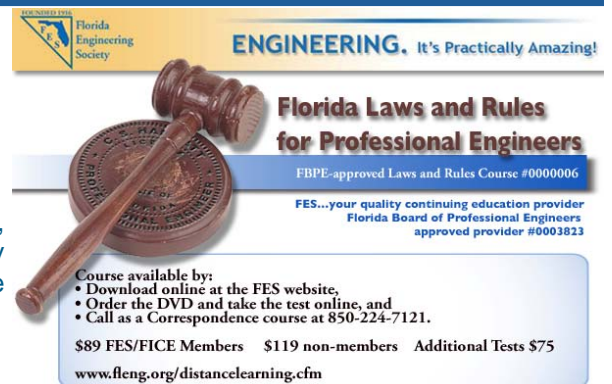
Course Available: Online, DVD, Correspondence

4 PDHs of Laws & Rules Credit

The goal of this course is not only to detail any rules adopted, amended, or repealed for Chapter 61G15, FAC or changes made by the legislature to Chapters 455 and 471 FS, but to illustrate how these changes will affect the practice of the individual engineer.

For more information and to register, please click [here](#).

To view a listing of all Online, DVD, and Correspondence course, please click [here](#).



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- Order the DVD and take the test online, and
- Call as a Correspondence course at 850-224-7121.

\$89 FES/FICE Members \$119 non-members Additional Tests \$75

www.fleng.org/distancelearning.cfm

Lunch & Learn Webinar

Gopher Tortoise Permitting: What You Need To Know If You Find A Hole In The Ground.

Date: April 13, 2010

Time: 12:00 pm - 1:30 EST

1 PDH of Technical Engineering Credit

Presented By:

Joel A. Johnson

Environmental Scientist

Scheda Ecological Associated, Inc

To view Mr. Johnson's bio, please click [here](#).

Recent changes to the protection status of the gopher tortoise have significantly increased the requirements and available options for property owners in Florida. New gopher tortoise permits substantially alter or replace previous gopher tortoise permits through the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC). Additionally, new permit categories were created for gopher tortoise recipient sites and authorized gopher tortoise agents, the latter required to perform tasks such as population surveys and mechanized excavation. These changes affect every level of potential gopher tortoise involvement from single-family home owners to major land developers and from relatively small infrastructure improvement projects to major roadway improvement and alignment projects.

For more information and to register, please click [here](#).

For a listing of all upcoming webinars, please click [here](#).

FES Annual Conference Keynote Speaker Announced

KEYNOTER SHARES HOW TO USE ADVERSITY TO YOUR ADVANTAGE AT
FES/FICE 94TH ANNUAL SUMMER CONFERENCE & EXPOSITION



The Annual Conference Steering Committee, chaired by Jennifer Porter, PE and Mandee Brandt PE, are pleased to announce the selection of a keynote speaker for the upcoming FES/FICE 94th Annual Summer Conference & Exposition. Themed “Changes in Latitudes, Changes in Attitudes: The Changing Business of Engineering” will feature Paul Martin – Author, Athlete, Speaker.

We all face adversity every day. Topping today's charts is the economy; companies are scratching for revenue, individuals are losing jobs. In 1992, just six months after earning a Mechanical Engineering degree from the University of Massachusetts/Lowell, a car accident claimed Paul Martin's left leg below the

knee.

There's no getting past the importance of a positive attitude, just as there's no escaping the onslaught of challenges your organization must face. You can call them adversities or obstacles or set backs. The rubs have many names, but only one true meaning: if they haven't already, they will either slow, delay or retract your progress.

Would you like to find a way to make the current economy and every other situation work for you instead of against you? Of course you would. With the right attitude and some good old-fashioned work ethic, your organization will not only weather the storm, it will increase the bottom line. So how do we deal with it? How do we defeat the 800 lb. gorilla? We start with bottomless optimism!

When Paul lost his leg at age 25, he took a good look at the situation and found not tragedy but opportunity. Through his positive attitude, determination and commitment, he turned adversity on its head and set off to become one of the best amputee athletes of all time. His Ironman Triathlon World Record, his Paralympic cycling medals and his critically acclaimed autobiography, *One Man's Leg*, give testament to the power attitude has over adversity.

Paul wants you to embrace your obstacles, to view them with bottomless optimism and to accept every day with a great attitude. His focus on attitude is complemented by qualities like commitment, dedication and work ethic. Paul Martin has thrived under adverse conditions and he'll show us that “attitude will overcome adversity each and every time.”



Mark your calendar now to be at the Marriott Marco Island Resort, August 4-7, 2010 to take part in this exciting annual event! In fact, be among the first to reserve your room at the Marco Island Marriott by calling reservations at 239-394-2511. Please reference the FES/FICE Annual Summer Conference & Exposition to receive the discounted group rate of \$153 single or double occupancy. There is no resort fee and self parking is discounted. Please note that the deadline to make your reservations and receive the discounted group rate is Tuesday, July 13th; however, rooms may sell out prior to this deadline. Ensure you have a room by contacting the Marriott Marco Island today.

The Annual Conference Steering Committee is diligently working to prepare an agenda. Registration for the FES/FICE 94th Annual Summer Conference & Exposition will open in February. Until then, please use this information and visit our website www.fleng.org to help plan your participation.

Online
Registration
Opening
Soon!



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FES Membership Application is Now Online!

The 2009-2010 membership year began on October 1st. To keep the card and keep the benefits, renew your membership today!

No paper, no stamps, no need to fax. Just click [here](#), fill out, and relax.

Already an FES member?

Forward this newsletter to a friend, colleague, or co-worker today. New or prospective members can apply online at: www.fleng.org/membership-app.cfm.

For more information about membership in FES, click [here](#) or call the Member Services Department at (850) 224-7121.



Upcoming Seminars & Webinars for 2010

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6-7 2010 GMES Conference (Lake Buena Vista)

26-27 2010 FICE Transportation Conference (Orlando)

June

11-12 2010 FES Leadership Conference (Daytona Beach)

July

20-22 FICE Advanced Work Zone Traffic Control (Lake Mary)