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AWRA Florida Section Bimonthly Meeting

November 16, 2001

Florida Gulf Coast University

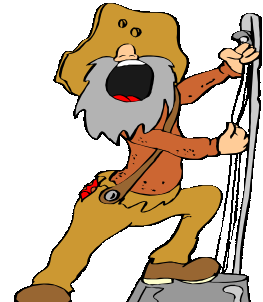
Ben Hill Griffin Parkway

Fort Myers, Florida 33913

The November bimonthly meeting will once again be held in conjunction with the 11th Annual Southwest Florida Water Resources Conference. This year's conference will be held at the country's newest institution of higher learning, Florida Gulf Coast University (FGCU) and will explore the effects of Hurricanes, Floods and Droughts on the state's water resources. Given that we all have been affected in the recent past by the extreme variation between drought and flood (by definition, about 24 hours), this year's conference should prove to be interesting and insightful for all attendees. The conference will run from 9:00 am to 4:45 pm with a lunch break where we will hear from the FGCU President and SFWMD favorite, Dr. William Merwin.

Friday evening, we have been invited to join in with the Big Cypress Basins celebration of the Lake Trafford restoration project. After the conference we will meet at Lake Trafford for a short trolley ride to the Pepper Ranch for a Cracker Bar-B-Q, live and silent auctions and down home Bluegrass Hoe-Down.

While no formal events are scheduled for Saturday, southwest Florida offers some of the finest beaches, shelling and fishing in the state. If you have any questions, you can call the meeting co-chairpersons, Ron Edenfield at 941-277-0003 or e-mail at redenfield@ectinc.com or Ron Hamel at 863-675-2180 or e-mail at gulfcitrus@aol.com. Additional information regarding the conference can be found at www.caloosahatchee.org/awra/.



American Water Resource Association Bimonthly Meeting
Florida Section Meeting November 16, 2001
In Association with the
11th Southwest Florida Water Resources Conference
Fort Myers, Florida

Water Resources in a Variable World – Coping with Hurricanes, Floods and Droughts.

8:30 - 9:00 Registration

9:00 - 9:15 Welcome

Session I - Historical Context

9:15 - 9:45 Historical patterns of floods, drought and freezes

9:45 - 10:15 Historical patterns of hurricanes

10:15 - 10:45 Forecasting long-term weather trends

10:45 - 11:00 **Break**

Session II - Ecology

11:00 - 11:20 Disturbance Ecology

11:20 - 11:40 Estuaries in a variable environment

11:45 - 1:00

Lunch

Dr. William Merwin, President, Florida Gulf Coast University

Session II - Ecology (continued)

1:00 - 1:20 Freshwater releases in the Caloosahatchee

1:20 - 1:40 Waterbirds and water fluctuations

1:30 - 2:00 Disturbances and Aquatic Nuisance Species

Session III - Management Implications

2:00 - 2:15 Panel Discussion Overview: “How to manage water to meet human and ecosystem needs in an unpredictable environment - How to plan for the unexpected”

2:15 - 3:15 Panelists: Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council
South Florida Water Management District
South West Florida Watershed Council
Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences
Florida Gulf Coast University

3:15 - 4:45 AWRA Fla Section Board Meeting - 2nd Floor Conference Room

3:15 - 4:45 cocktails - Whitaker Building courtyard

5:30 - Until Big Cypress Basin Lake Trafford Restoration Celebration Bar-B-Q & Bluegrass
Hoe-Down

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REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____ Organization: _____

Mailing Address: _____ Phone: _____

Guest(s) Name: _____

Registration (includes technical session, breaks and luncheon):	\$45 per person x _____ =	\$ _____
Student Registration:	\$10 per person x _____ =	\$ _____
Bar-B-Q (not included in registration):	\$20 per person x _____ =	\$ _____
	(Children under 12 are free)	
	TOTAL:	\$ _____

Make checks payable to: Florida Engineering Society

And mail to: R.M. Edenfield
Environmental Consulting & Technology, Inc.
4100 Center Pointe Drive
Suite 112
Fort Myers, Fl. 33916

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: November 7, 2001

Local accommodations will be at the Comfort Suites Daniels Parkway and I-75, Fort Myers, Fl. Approximately 7 miles north of the University.

A block of rooms is being held for conference attendees, (mention FGCU), at a room rate of **\$59.95/night**. Call as soon as possible to make your reservations, as block rooms are limited. Make sure you mention FGCU to get the discounted rate. Call **800-435-8234**.

HOTEL REGISTRATION DEADLINE: November 1, 2001

Directions to Comfort Suites from I-75: I-75 south to Daniels Parkway, West to Indian Paint Lane, North to Comfort Suites.

Directions to FGCU from I-75: I-75 south to Alico Road, East to Ben Hill Griffin parkway, South to FGCU Blvd, East to the Campus and the conference location at the Whitaker Center.



NATIONAL NEWS

from Bob Moresi

The call for papers is out for the "Annual Spring Conference on Coastal Water Resources". The conference will be held in New Orleans from May 13-15, 2002. This conference will provide a forum for discussing and discovering some of the most pressing problems and resource challenges of the coastal portion of the water related system. It will focus on the practical application of water resources related science and engineering to create an integral coastal setting. You are all invited to present a paper or attend this unique conference, and participate with water resources and coastal zone engineers, scientists, managers, and professionals from other related fields to:

- 1) meet and explore new and applicable solutions to some of the most difficult problems facing those concerned with good stewardship of estuarine and coastal resources;
- 2) gather together and discuss mutual issues and problems across a wide range of disciplines;
- 3) convene in New Orleans which exemplifies the topic of this conference... dramatic and continuing losses of wetlands, and coastal and estuarine habitat - problems that can only be solved if water resources, coastal engineers, and other professionals work together.

Abstracts are due November 2, 2001. If you would like a call for papers, it is on the AWRA webpage at www.awra.org

STATE NEWS

Summary of Florida Section Board of Directors

Meeting, September 21, 2001

from Gail L. Murray

The September board meeting was held at Jupiter Beach Resort, Jupiter, Florida. Provided below are highlights of some of the items discussed at the meeting:

- Mike Cullum presided over the meeting.
- Dave Watt advised us that our membership is still gaining. Keep up the good work. The latest

stats: 372 active members (defined as paid through 2000 or beyond) and 238 inactive members (defined as paid through 1999 or prior). **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!!!**

➤ Ron Hamel is working on the November meeting. The meeting will be the 11th Annual SW Florida Water Resources Meeting in Ft. Myers. (See this Newsletter for details.)

➤ **HELP WANTED...NO MORE.** Don McEwen has finally gotten a volunteer to help with the website. We look forward to Roy Price helping us with this endeavor. Roy is a student and member of the student chapter at the University of South Florida. **THANK YOU ROY!**

➤ Meetings for 2002 are as follows: **January 25, 2002 – St. Augustine**, Neil Aikenhead; **March 15, 2002 – Tallahassee area**; **May 17, 2002 – Orlando**, Bill Stimmel; **July 25-27, 2002 – Key West**, John Wehle; **September 20, 2002 – Boca Raton**; **November 15, 2002 – Southwest area.** *If you would like to help with any of these meetings (any and all help is greatly appreciated), please contact the meeting chair as soon as possible.*

See you in Ft. Myers!!!!

2002 Board of Directors Election

Each year the voting membership of the Florida Section, American Water Resources Association elects directors to its board. The nineteen (19) member board is composed of seventeen (17) elected directors and the past presidents for the previous two (2) years. Board members determine the policy and lead the activities of the Section in accordance with its Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws. Directors are expected to actively participate in association activities and to attend regularly scheduled board meetings. Any board member who misses three (3) consecutive board meetings in a year may be removed by action of the board.

Ballot Directions – You are voting for all seventeen (17) candidates on the ballot for this election. Mark your choices on the enclosed ballot in the space provided next to each name and mail the ballot as soon as possible. Election results will be tabulated in November and published in the December issue of the Section newsletter “the Watershed.” Newly elected board members will be installed at the January 2002 board meeting in St. Augustine.

BALLOT

Please indicate your selection with an X, or indicate a write-in candidate.

#	Yes	No	Nominee – Residence	Write-In Candidate
1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Allan Biddlecomb - Gainesville	
2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rand Edelstein - Panacea	
3	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	John Fumero - West Palm Beach	
4	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ron Hamel - Ft. Myers	
5	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Robert Higgins - West Palm Beach	
6	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Don McEwen - Havana	
7	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mike Mesiano - Atlantic Beach	
8	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Virginia Mirabal - Starke	
9	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Gail Murray - Tequesta	
10	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Paul O'Neil - Palm Harbor	
11	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Roger Rumenik - Tallahassee	
12	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	William Stimmel - Orlando	
13	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Patrick Victor - Jacksonville	
14	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cathleen Vogel - Coconut Grove	
15	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	David Watt – Palatka	
16	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jay Yingling - Brooksville	
17	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sanford Young - Tallahassee	

Please mail/fax/email your completed ballot no later than November 9, 2001 to:

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 AWRA Florida Section
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 Jacksonville, Florida 32256
 Phone (904) 731-7109
 Fax (904) 731-0465
 Email victorpr@cdm.com

Dear Fellow AWRA Members:
from Bob Higgins

With great sorrow, we regret to report that Dr. Pete Rosendahl passed away on Sunday, September 30, 2001 at his home in Wellington after a very lengthy battle with cancer. Pete was an active AWRA Member and was very well respected by all parties involved with the Everglades after spending essentially his entire career being involved with the Everglades with the most recent involvement being the Everglades Restoration representing Florida Crystals.



The following is an excerpt from the Florida Crystals internal announcement:

Florida Crystals announces with great sadness the passing of Dr. Peter C. Rosendahl, our Environmental Affairs Vice President. Pete died at his home early Sunday morning. Linda, Pedro and Linda Louise were at his side. In recent days Pete was surrounded by family and friends. He has received much comfort and support from the outpouring of affection and felt our desire to help and to hold on to him. Pete fought cancer with great heart as hard as he could for as long as he could. Pete joined us at a time when our industry was struggling to address Environmental issues. Pete instrumental in our becoming part of the Everglades solution. He became a trusted colleague, advisor and corporate executive. He was a spokesman, advocate and bridge to the environmental community. The industry's \$320 million commitment to Everglades restoration is in significant measure a tribute to his expertise, imagination and diplomacy. Visitation will be at Palms West Funeral Home in West Palm Beach from 7 to 9 pm on Thursday and the Funeral will be at Saint Rita's Catholic Church in Wellington...time to be announced. In lieu of flowers, the family has requested that donations in Dr. Rosendahl's memory be made to the Saint Rita's Church Homeless Ministry. The family is also looking into a Dr. Peter C. Rosendahl Fund. Information on this fund will be available at the Visitation.

First Call for Membership Renewals!

Well you're reading the October newsletter, so it must be time for me to remind you to renew your Florida Section membership. You can use the application form in this newsletter to provide updated information for next year's directory. While you're at it, get a friend to join too! Feel free to contact me about your membership status or any other services AWRA can provide. Thanks for your continued support of AWRA!

David Watt, Membership Services
386-329-4355
dwatt@sjrwmd.com

St. Augustine, 2002

The first meeting of 2002 will be held January 25, 2002 at the Radisson Ponce de Leon Golf and Conference Center in St. Augustine. Special rates for golf are being secured and the area offers opportunities for other outdoor activities such as fishing, beach going and historic sight seeing. Further details will be provided in the December Watershed.



2002 Membership Application

MEMBERSHIP DUES

New \$10 Regular
 Renewal \$4 Student

DIRECTORY INFORMATION

Please give us the information requested below, as you would like it to appear in the membership directory

Name: _____
First Middle Initial Last Suffix (Ph.D., PE, PG, etc)

Company/Affiliation: _____

Mailing Address: Work Home

Box, Street or Route Suite or Apartment

City State Zip Code

Daytime Telephone: Work Home _____
Area Code

Facsimile: Work Home _____
Area Code

E-mail: _____

MEMBERSHIP INTERESTS

Would you like to receive our newsletter via e-mail? Yes No
 Are you an AWRA National Member? Yes No
 If not, would you like information? Yes No
 Are you interested in sponsorship opportunities? Yes No
 Would you like to be part of a bi-monthly meeting team? Yes No

For membership information, please contact David Watt at 386-329-4355 or david_watt@district.sjrwm.d.state.fl.us

PAYMENT INFORMATION

\$_____ Annual dues (please indicate if you are paying for additional years)
 \$_____ Florida Section Water Resources Education Fund (tax deductible contribution)
 \$_____ **TOTAL (Make checks payable to AWRA Florida Section)**

**Return this application
 and your check to:**

*David Watt, Membership Services Coordinator
 417 Kirby Street
 Palatka, Florida 32177*

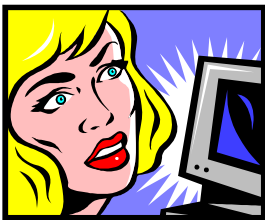
Florida Section membership dues for 2002 are due January 1 and are good through December 31. Contributions or gifts to the Florida Section are deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes. Dues payments may be deductible by members as an ordinary and necessary business expense.

Section Use Only:

Date Received: _____ Check #: _____ Amount: _____



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St. Augustine
January 25, 2002
Neil Aikenhead
904-636-5432

Suwannee River Area
March 15, 2002
Dave Fisk
386-362-1001

Central Florida Area
May 17, 2002
Bill Graf
407-858-6100 ext.3837

Welcome New Members!

Gregory F. Bolen, Simmons & White
Jean K. Cutter, WCG, Inc.
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James D. Hirsch, P.G., Water and Air Research, Inc.
Richard H. Hutton, AWARE Environmental
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Andrew (Ted) Sentgeorge, Greenhorne & O'Mara, Inc.
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Kenneth S. Todd, Jr., P.E., Palm Beach County
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