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American Water Resources Association, Florida Section
Ramada Inn Oceanfront Resort
 Satellite Beach, Florida
 May 17, 2002

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William C. Stimmel President <i>Orlando</i>		
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Michael D. Mesiano Secretary <i>Jacksonville</i>	11 a.m to 1:30 p.m.	Board of Director's Meeting (working lunch)
Allan H. Biddlecomb, P.G. Treasurer <i>Gainesville</i>	2 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.	Legislative Update John Fumero, Chief Counsel South Florida Water Management District
Michael G. Cullum, P.E. President-2001 <i>St. Augustine</i>		
Rick Stebnisky, P.G. President-2000 <i>Tampa</i>	2:30 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.	Presentation on the Indian River Lagoon Troy Rice, St. Johns River WMD; Paul Millar, South Florida WMD
Neil Aikenhead <i>Jacksonville</i>		
John J. Fumero, Esq. <i>West Palm Beach</i>	3:15 p.m. to 4 p.m.	East Central Florida Water Supply Planning Bill Dunn, CH2M Hill; Hal Wilkening, St. Johns River WMD
Ron Hamel <i>LaBelle</i>		
Robert W. Higgins, P.E. <i>West Palm Beach</i>	4 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.	Kennedy Space Center Environmental Program Sue Gaines, Environmental Engineer, NASA
Donald McEwen <i>Havana</i>		
Gail L. Murray, P.G. <i>Tequesta</i>	4:45 p.m. to 5 p.m.	General Discussion
Paul W. O'Neil, Jr., P.E. <i>Tampa</i>		Break
Roger Rumenik, P.G. <i>Tallahassee</i>	5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.	Social Hour - (Cash Bar)
Patrick R. Victor <i>Jacksonville</i>		
Cathleen Vogel <i>Miami</i>	6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	Dinner - Keynote Speaker Bill Kerr, Board Member and Past Chairman St. Johns River Water Management District Governing Board <i>Water Management and Other Misunderstood Phenomena</i>
David R. Watt, P.E. <i>Palatka</i>		
Jay W. Yingling <i>Tampa</i>		
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Satellite Beach, FL 32937
(321) 777-7200, (800) 345-1782
www.michotel.com

Registration Form

Name _____ Organization _____

Mailing Address _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Guest Name(s) _____

Registration (includes dinner) \$40 per person x _____ = \$ _____

Student registration \$25 per person x _____ = \$ _____

Make checks payable to: AWRA Florida Section, and mail to:

Bill Graf

South Florida Water Management District

1707 Orlando Central Parkway Suite 200

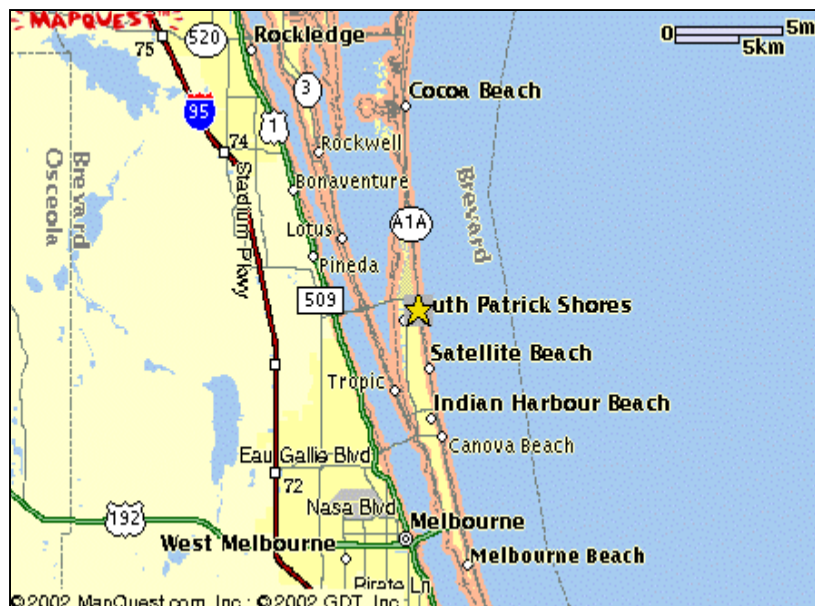
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phone – (407) 858-6100, ext. 3837

E-mail– wgraf@sfwmd.gov

Registration deadline: May 2, 2002

The Ramada Inn Oceanfront Resort is offering AWRA-Florida Section rates ranging from \$64 for a city view room to \$84 a night for oceanfront. A room with a view of the pool is \$74. Some rooms also feature a microwave oven and small refrigerator. To view the rooms log on at www.michotel.com





ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Florida Section of AWRA is pleased to announce that the AWRA-National Board of Directors has approved the University of South Florida as the newest student chapter of the American Resources Association.
- The Florida Section of AWRA is sponsoring the second annual Water Resources Conference to be held at the University of Central Florida on April 30, 2002. The conference is entitled: Florida's Water Resource Conference; Water Resources For The Decade-What Quality/What Quantity? For additional information contact Ms. Lillian E. Ruiz at the UCF College of Engineering at 407-823-2156 or go to the web-site: www.engr.ucf.edu/drinkingwater



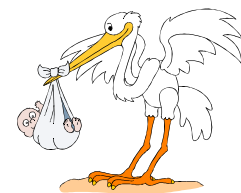
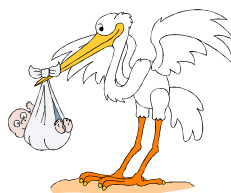
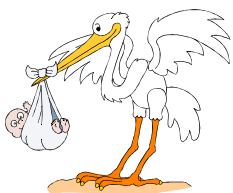
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FROM DEEP BLUE TO THE WILD BLUE

One of our students has been a member since John Wehle signed him up at the age of six months. He has been attending meetings since he was six months old. How many high school seniors can claim to have been a member of a professional organization for seventeen years. David Clementi first began his appreciation of our precious water resources when he learned to scuba dive at the age of 12. He has taken his love of adventure to new heights and received his pilot's license at 17. David has a passion for flying and on 23 February 2002 he received an appointment to the Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colorado. David we are so proud of you and look forward to following your career. Maybe you can attend some of the National symposia in Keystone while you are in Colorado.

Virginia Mirabal did it in triplicate

The Boatman Family, Tom and Virginia (Mirabal), along with big brother Andre welcomed the birth of triplets, two boys and one girl on March 7th. Joseph Ashby (3 lbs. 7oz.), Rafael Samuel (4 lbs. 2oz.), and Katherine Elise (3 lbs. 11.5oz.) are doing great!





AWRA NATIONAL NEWS

The AWRA sponsored Spring Conference is in its final stage of planning. The conference theme is Coastal Water Resources, and it will be held May 13 - 15, 2002 in New Orleans. The program provides a great scientific exchange concerning the little understood interface between coastal waters and inland water resources. We suggest that you make plans to attend this conference and save some time for the nightlife. If you need any information on the conference it is listed on the AWRA Web Page.

You may notice all articles from National now use a new logo. We believe it updates our organization and we hope all of you like it.

-Bob Moresi

AWRA FLORIDA NEWS

Resolution for Water Conservation Month in Florida- On April 9th, the 2002 Water Conservation Month Resolution was presented at the Florida State Capital Cabinet Room in Tallahassee. The resolution cites the combined efforts of the Florida Water Wise Council and the Florida Section of American Water Works Association for working together to better facilitate and promote advocacy for legislative, educational, operational, and financial "best management practices" for water conversation.

The month of April has been proclaimed as Water Conservation Month in Florida to increase awareness of and promote efficient use of our state's diverse water resources. Roger Rumenik represented the Florida Section of AWRA.

-Roger Rumenik

Summary of Board of Directors Meeting, March 15, 2002

The March board meeting was held at the "Fiddler's Restaurant" in Steinhatchee, Florida.

- Bill Stimmel presided over the meeting.

- We discussed changing the By-Laws to reflect tax responsibilities as part of the Treasurer duties.

- We recruited volunteers to help with updating the meeting guidelines.
- Dave Watt advised us that due to purging members who have not paid their dues since 2000, our membership total had dropped.
- **REMINDER:** Rosanne Clementi is the point person for students needing assistance to attend any of our meetings.
- We discussed the possibility of members who attend our meetings getting continuing education credits (CEU's). Several members at the meeting volunteered to investigate this possibility.

Meetings for 2002 are as follows: **May 17, 2002 – Satellite Beach** Bill Graf; **July 25-27, 2002 – Key West**, John Wehle; **September 20, 2002 – Boca Raton**, Steve Nix; **November 15, 2002 – Southwest area**, Ron Edenfield. ***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.***

-Gail Murray

AWRA Florida Section Website

In partnership with Roy Price, the Website Committee is rolling out a series of enhancements to the AWRA website. These enhancements include:

- Updating existing information on the website
- Placing the newsletter on line
- Placing the Board meeting minutes online
- Adding links and additional pages concerning membership services and information
- The overall aesthetics of the website

In the long-term, we will be working on a list serve for AWRA members. We will continue to keep you posted on website development over the coming months.

-John Fumero



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 [dwatt@sjrwmd.com](mailto:d watt@sjrwmd.com)

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: _____



KEY WEST 2002

July 25 – 27, 2002

The Key West meeting is just around the corner. Please make your room reservations as early as possible.

Wyndham Casa Marina Reservations:
1-800-626-0777 or 305-296-3535



Room rates:
Non Ocean View - \$109
Ocean View - \$138
Non Ocean View Suite - \$149
Ocean View Suite - \$202

A service charge of \$4.00 per room, per day, will be added to cover standard service.

Rooms are limited and they go fast!

SOMETHING NEW TO THE KEY WEST MEETING - A silent auction for not so silent water users

We are trying something new this year to entertain you and raise additional funds for our education initiatives. If the auction is successful, you will see more next year. We are in the process of securing six to ten items for a silent auction during the dinner. We will display the items to be sold at the President's reception. So far we hope to have some Clyde Butcher posters and an autographed book of his photographs. Of course we will have some special wines to auction and who knows what else! We know Key West merchants want you to walk through town and spend money in their stores. But before you do, please consider bidding on some of our items. Remember it is for education!! If you would like to help, please contact Rosanne Clementi 813-752-1289.



The 2002 Directories are Here!

Thanks to an overwhelming response from our members and sponsors, the 2002 membership directory is the best ever! In addition to listing the members with last name first, improvements over last year include an agency contact page and updated bylaws. A big **THANK YOU** goes to Patrick Victor for soliciting our sponsors. Most members should have received their copies in the mail by now. If you have not received a directory or have comments about your listing, please contact me.

David Watt - Membership Services 386-329-4355

The following corrections were submitted just after the directories went to press. Gee & Jensen is now part of CH2M Hill, so our G&J members have new email addresses:

Russell C. Devick, P.E.	rdevick@ch2m.com
Joseph B. Frost	jfrost1@ch2m.com
Robert L. Machowicz	rmachowi@ch2m.com



Why should you belong to the Florida Section of AWRA?

AWRA is a scientific and educational non-profit organization. Our Mission is to promote an understanding of water resources and related issues by providing a multidisciplinary forum for information exchange, professional development and education. Recognition as the preeminent organization for information exchange about water resources issues is our vision.

We accomplish our mission and vision through the following key strategies:

- Intensifying multidisciplinary activities
- Developing multiple opportunities for outreach to other organizations and to the public
- Creating multiple opportunities for committees to be the primary vehicle for education, member networking and organizational outreach
- Enhancing relationships with student chapters and the national organization

In 1991, the Florida Section established an education committee to take a more active role in the promotion of water resource education through university student awards, science teacher grants, promoting student chapters, involvement on the national education committee and section contributions to the Richard A. Herbert Memorial Education fund. Through the end of the year 2001, the Florida section contributed in excess of \$50,000 to these programs. Additionally, a \$500 scholarship was awarded to one of the student registrants at the September Ft. Myers meeting.

Each year we have six interesting and exciting bimonthly meetings held in various locations throughout the State (see the footer of this letterhead). This year we are encouraging the leaders of the state's water management districts, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of Community Affairs, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission to participate in our meetings to discuss water resource related topics of importance to their agency.

Our association's strength is in its members. With over 380 active members, we are one of the most active state chapters in the country. As we celebrate our 31st year, we hope that you will accept the challenge to become a member of one of the best professional organizations in the State. We know you will enjoy the benefits of interacting with other top water resource professionals and helping to chart the course for the future of water resources education and policy in Florida.

**Keep up with AWRA activities on the internet at
www.awra.org**

*2002 Meetings: January 25 St. Augustine; March 15 Steinhatchee; May 17 Satellite Beach;
July 25-27 Key West; September 20 Boca Raton; November 15 Ft. Myers*



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Steve Nix
561-297-0466

Ft. Myers
November 15, 2002
Ron Edenfield
941-277-0003

NEW MEMBERS -

Lynn A. Biddlecomb, Jones, Edmunds & Associates, Inc.
Jeannine M. Bretz
Daniel E. Crawford, University of Florida
Alvin B. Jackson, Jr., South Florida WMD
Joseph A. Schweigart, P.E., P.L.S., South Florida WMD

