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AWRA January at "The Ponce" January 25, 2002 St. Augustine, Florida

Come listen to Kirby Green, Ernie Frye, and many other well-known and well-informed dignitaries discuss the latest issues affecting the environmental communities, and then interface with them in the panel/Q&A session. A star-studded list of presenters will discuss the latest environmental and planning issues affecting northeast Florida and the entire State. The mega-developments of Nocatee and Palencia (known as Marshall Creek during the arduous planning process) will form the basis of several presentations. A Saturday field trip to Palencia/Marshall Creek will underscore "up close and personal" the results of their significant planning and permitting process.

Meeting and Dinner \$45,
"The Ponce" AWRA group rate \$79,
Golf (available) \$50

After December 25, room rates subject to increase or non-availability!

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NOW!
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Celebrate Successes

- As a result of an outstanding effort by Ms. Gail Murray, the Program Chair of the September 2001 meeting held in Jupiter, a contribution to the Richard Rogers Memorial Scholarship Fund of \$1,500 was made by the Florida Section of AWRA.
- Carol A. Senne, Deputy Executive Director, St. Johns River Water Management District, has accepted a position with South Florida Water Management District. On February 1, 2002, she will become the Ft. Myers Regional Service Center Director. During December and January her time will be divided between the two Districts. **Congratulations Carol and Good Luck!**
- AWRA has reached the \$50,000 level of education support. This is a wonderful achievement, and all members should be proud and we should blow our horns about it.

January 2002 AWRA Meeting Announcement & Preliminary Details

The Northeast Florida AWRA 2002 meeting will be Friday, January 25, 2002 at the Radisson Ponce de Leon in St Augustine. For those not familiar with "The Ponce", it is on the east side of US-1 just north of the "City Gates". This is a wonderful resort facility with an 18-hole golf course, tennis and fitness center, coffee makers, microwave, refrigerator and data ports in each room, full concierge, and many other amenities for you and your family. "The Ponce" is only 5 minutes from historic downtown St Augustine, 10 minutes from the St. Augustine Outlet Mall, 15 minutes from World Golf Village, and sightseeing packages are available.

AWRA Florida Section Board of Directors Meeting at Ponce Resort (Room TBA) 12 PM - 2 PM

The first presentation will start at 2:30 PM, with presentations moving briskly to a 5 PM panel discussion. As may be seen from the list of speakers and topics below, the panel discussion will be invigorating and enlightening! Input and questions from the audience will be encouraged. Our illustrious speakers/presenters are:

Ernie Frey, Director, FDEP Northeast District, speaking on erosion and sediment control issues in the planning process. His talk is titled "Prevention, Not Intervention", in which he will highlight processes developed for the Nocatee Water Quality Monitoring Plan.

Dick Prosser, President, Prosser Hallock, planners for Nocatee and Palencia (Marshall Creek), will speak on planning issues of both developments. Mr. Prosser titles his presentation "Planning by the Numbers in Paradise, The Process of Growth Mismanagement". He laments current regulations dealing more with component parts than the whole, often forcing developers to pervert the system in order to achieve success.

Walt O'Shea, Project Manager for Hines, developer of Palencia/Marshall Creek, will speak about "Three Stages of Environmental Development". He will point out that Palencia includes the first-ever Audubon Society approved golf course. Despite this and numerous other environmental highlights, the project went through overwhelming issues during the permit approval process.

Nancy Zyski, President, Environmental Resource Solutions, will speak in conjunction with Mr. O'Shea. Ms. Zyski will focus on the environmental and archaeological issues of Palencia/Marshall Creek.

Dr. Harvey Harper, PhD, PE, President, Environmental Research & Design, is one of many consultants to study and defend the Palencia/Marshall Creek development during the permitting process. Dr. Harper will speak on stormwater treatment issues for that development as well as statewide.

Derek Busby, Senior Project Manager, SJRWMD Palatka, will speak on Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) issues, which are the future of stormwater regulation nationwide. Mr. Busby's presentation is titled "Wiley Coyote and the TMDL Process", in which he will discuss some of the legal impetus for TMDL's in Florida and provide a brief description of the process in the lower SJR basin.

Kirby Green, Executive Director of SJRWMD, will be our guest dinner speaker. **Kirby will be available during the presentations and will participate in the panel discussions and Q&A session!**

A social, with cash bar, will follow the presentations/panel discussion/Q&A and precede dinner. Dinner will be 7:30 PM, served buffet style with two entrees and all amenities. Registration, including dinner, is \$45.

On Saturday we will have a field tour of the Palencia/Marshall Creek development, guided by Walt O'Shea and Nancy Zyski. The development's golf course and associated primary stormwater management systems have been essentially completed and will provide an excellent opportunity to see "up close and personal" the results of their significant planning and permitting process.

Golf at the on-site course is \$50 for hotel guests, please mention desire to play when making reservations.

REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____ Organization: _____

Mailing Address: _____ Phone: _____

Guest(s) Name: _____

Registration \$45 per person x _____ = \$ _____

Student Registration: must register by January 18th \$20 per person x _____ = \$ _____

TOTAL: \$ _____

Make checks payable to: AWRA Florida Section

And mail to: Aikenhead & Odom, Inc.
5730 Bowden Road
Suite 200
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REGISTRATION DEADLINE: January 18th, 2002

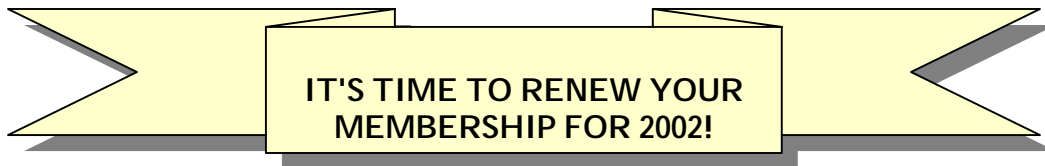
HOTEL REGISTRATION DEADLINE: January 10th, 2001

Rooms at "The Ponce" are available for \$79/night + tax, valid January 23-27, 2002

RESERVATIONS MADE AFTER DECEMBER 25 ARE SUBJECT TO INCREASED RATE OR NON-AVAILABILITY!

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NOW! 904/824-2821 (Fax 904/824-8254)

Ask about pet reservation availability and also room upgrade availability!!



All section memberships are up for renewal in January. You can use the application form in this newsletter to renew your membership and 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
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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

January 2002

Dear Fellow Section Members,

I am excited about serving this year as your President. Our organization has been blessed with so many dedicated and hard working members that it makes leadership positions even more rewarding. My commitment to you is to work hard and deliver a meaningful and satisfying experience as a member of the Florida Section of the AWRA.

Each successive incoming president has had a personal agenda to contribute to the enhancement of the organization, and I am no different. I want to strengthen our relationship with 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 do this I want to encourage them to use the bimonthly meetings to discuss water resources and related environmental topics of importance to their agency. Also, they will be offered the opportunity to be dinner speakers at our meetings. I have requested the six meeting program chairs to coordinate with each of the agency's leadership where appropriate to take advantage of this invitation.

While the section does not advocate a particular technical or political position, as was recently observed with the Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) position statement, we do advocate the discussion and exchange of ideas of all persons concerned with water and environmental resources. Therefore, I am committed to bringing into the bimonthly meetings more information and discussion regarding the water resources issues of concern to our public agencies.

My second priority is to strengthen our outreach and member services by updating and enhancing the Florida Sections' website. We need to take advantage of this valuable communication tool to enhance membership and information services. When finished, our website should be a valuable resource to us organizationally and individually.

Lastly, I hope you will note in your calendars the time, date, and locations of our 2002 meetings. Hope to see you there!

Sincerely,

William C. Stimmel
2002 President

January 25, 2002 St. Augustine	March 15, 2002 Suwannee River Area	May 17, 2002 Central Florida	July 25-27, 2002 Key West	September 20, 2002 Boca Raton	November 15, 2002 Southwest Area
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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.sjrwmd.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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January 25, 2002
Neil Aikenhead
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Suwannee River Area

March 15, 2002
Dave Fisk
386-362-1001

Central Florida Area

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

Key West

July 25th - 27th
John Wehle
386-329-4214
Make reservations early!

Welcome New Members!

Mark E. Flomerfelt, Seminole County Road Ops & Stormwater
W. R. Howard, South Florida WMD
Elizabeth A. Syfrett, P.E., Baskerville-Donovan, Inc.
Theresa E. Woody, SFERTF / Florida International University
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Frederick (Rick) T. Barber, III, Agnoli, Barber, & Brundage, Inc.

