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Chen Employee Birthdays



September 7
Derrick Smith, CFM, LEED® AP



September 12
Greg Mendez, P.E.



September 21
Daniel Davila, P.E.



October 7
Joseph Hall



October 8
Natalie Mecklenburg



October 23
Stefan Bortak, CID



October 29
Melvia Rogers



November 28
Kathryn Moffatt



November 25
Reginald Adams



November 25
Nicholas Karpathy

Chenniversaries



September 1 - 18 years
Peter Moore, P.E., F. ASCE, ENV SP, LEED® AP



September 16 - 4 years
Teresa Chapman



October 1 - 5 years
Todd Nochomson



October 3 - 6 years
Patrick Kaimrajh, P.E.



November 1 - 7 years
Jose L. Acosta, P.E., F.ASCE



November 1 - 1 year
Carlos Tijerino



November 7 - 31 years
Dr. Ben Chen, P.E., BCEE



October 6 - 3 years
Greg Mendez, P.E.

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CMA President Peter Moore, P.E., F.ASCE, ENV SP, LEED AP Becomes President of FICE

CMA was a gold sponsor of the FICE/FES (Florida Institute of Professional Engineers/ Florida Engineering Society) 101st Annual Conference. The event was held August 2-5 at the Breakers Hotel in Palm Beach County. Dr. Ben Chen, P.E., BCEE; Peter Moore, P.E., F. ASCE, ENV SP, LEED® AP; Jose L. Acosta, P.E., F.ASCE; and Dan Davila, P.E. attended and Peter was sworn in as FICE president. Congratulations Peter!



A Message from the President

Upon reflection on Hurricane Irma, I've arrived at the conclusion that times of crisis bring out the best in people. Sure, there were reports on the news of price gouging and looters, along with the tragedy at a nursing home – but these were far outnumbered by stories about heroics and our outstanding first responders. Then there are the countless instances of amazing things, big and small, that don't make the news.

I have an infant daughter and as a result of our pediatrician's warning about her potential to overheat should we lose power, my car carried four of the 6 million or so Floridians that evacuated their homes on our journey northward. The traffic was incredible, but orderly. I saw people stopping on the side of the road to help a fellow evacuee change a tire or gather items that fell off their hastily packed vehicle. When we tried to stop in Georgia, what first looked like state troopers blocking the exit was, in fact, an information point to let us know, in a very helpful and friendly way, that while gas was available, the water was out in the area, so if we needed restroom facilities, we'd have to continue another ten miles or so.

As I kept an eye on Broward County, my home for nearly my entire life, I saw Mayor Seiler of Fort Lauderdale, Mayor Levy of Hollywood and Vice Mayor Daley of Coral Springs take leadership roles on their own social media pages, drilling down to specific resident concerns and ignoring the aspersions so easily thrown electronically these days. The Florida Keys have such a warm place in my heart, with countless birthday, wedding and "just because" celebrations in my memory banks. The outpouring of concern and assistance for the Keys by local leaders – Luke Freeman, Jonathan Keith and Justin Stuckart, along with dozens of others that I've witnessed – show the best side of people after adversity.

What about you? Did you get to know neighbors better? Help someone without power cool off or do their laundry? Lend your chainsaw and elbow grease to the clean-up effort? Pass along hurricane supplies to those still in need? Give a thumbs-up to a recovery worker? All of this and



more happened in our community. For those reading this that weren't impacted by Hurricanes Irma or Harvey, how do you face adversity, personal and catastrophic?

Throughout my experience, I was pleasantly surprised that when things seemed to be at their worst, an incredible majority of people showed their best side and attitude. I'm a proud Floridian, American and, well, human, for seeing that display.

Another realization was that despite the obvious stress of a 2,144 mile 46 hour road trip, I was able to appreciate many subtle changes in my daughter, enjoy her first real outing down a city street in her stroller (wearing boots!), and see how much she loved riding in the open-air trolley as we learned about the history of Nashville. Was I simply making lemonade out of lemons, or is this a behavior I can repeat?

I can't help but wonder why it so often takes adversity to heighten our senses and make us want to be our best selves? We can blame "life" – work and family obligations – or a myriad of other things, or we can be intentional about it. That's my challenge to the Chen Moore family. Let's take things to the next level! Success, both personal and professional, will come from starting out small in everyday life and building momentum. In my first message as President of FICE/ACEC of Florida (page 1), I challenged my fellow firm principals to use their voices to let people know the good that our profession does. Imagine the multiplier effect if everyone at Chen Moore regularly did the same. To each of our new hires (page 2) and for those celebrating birthdays and work anniversaries (page 4), we can use these milestones to begin new behaviors. For each of the social and community activities we undertake (pages 2 and 3), it is a chance to reflect on our interactions with others as well as our personal growth.

Good people do great things. Let's be great together.

Thank you,

Peter Moore, P.E., F.ASCE, ENV SP, LEED® AP, President

Meet our New Employees!

Employee: Leticia Zavatsky
Office: Miami
Title: Marketing Coordinator/Graphic Designer



Employee: Melissa Dannelly
Office: Fort Lauderdale
Title: Staff Accountant



Employee: Johanna Zona
Office: Fort Lauderdale
Title: Executive Assistant



Employee: Muhammad Asif
Office: Fort Lauderdale
Title: Construction Inspector



Employee: Jeffrey Hammack
Office: Fort Lauderdale
Title: CAD Technician



Employee: David Castro
Office: Fort Lauderdale
Title: CAD Technician



Employee: Jason Sutton, RLA
Office: Orlando
Title: Project Landscape Architect



School Supply Drive

Chen Moore and Associates proudly sponsored a school supply drive benefiting the Education Foundation of Palm Beach County to help our highest-needs classrooms get the tools they need to succeed. Red Apple Supplies was launched in 2016 and provides public school teachers with free shopping for the items their kids need most. Special thanks to the CMA Community Service Committee for coordinating the fundraising drive. For more information about the Education Foundation of Palm Beach County, please visit www.EducationFoundationPBC.org



Habitat for Humanity

CMA volunteered for Habitat for Humanity on July 15. The home was located in Pompano Beach and the group completed landscaping. Carlos Tijerino; Daniel Ruiz; Jessica Diaz, E.I., Teresa Lewis, E.I., Natalie Mecklenburg; Jennifer Smith, P.E.; Derrick Smith, CFM, LEED® AP; Safiya Brea, P.E., LEED® AP; and Brent Whitfield, P.E. attended.



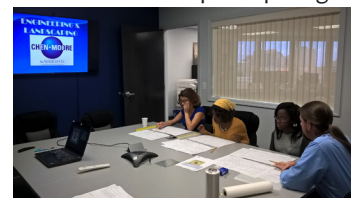
Sushi & Stroll Summer Walks

The Social Activities Committee organized the Sushi & Stroll Summer Walks at the Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens! CMA guests explored the Japanese gardens while sipping craft sake selections. Strolling took place between 5:30pm-8:30pm and there was also a roaring taiko drum performances by Fushu Daiko throughout the night starting at 6:30pm.



School to Work

The WPB office is participating in the School to Work summer program for the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Palm Beach & Martin Counties, Inc. The program started on June 29th and ended July 27th. The program gives high school students the opportunity to visit CMA's office and experience one day as an engineer or landscape architect. Since June 29th, a total of nine students have visited CMA's WPB office. We have shared our personal experiences with the students and showed them what we do on a daily basis. The students were also given some tasks so they can understand what we do and inspire a future engineers or landscape architects.



ASCE Broward Bowl-a-Thon

CMA served as platinum and silver sponsors for the 29th Annual American Society of Civil Engineers Broward Branch Bowl-A-Thon on Saturday, August 5 in Tamarac at Sawgrass Lanes. Our team members included Molly Behan, Joel Brownsey, Daniel Davila, Jessica Diaz, Alejandra Duarte, Teresa Lewis (team leader), Jason McClair, Derrick Smith, Jennifer Smith and Ruben Soto. Congratulations to Jennifer and Derrick who won highest female and male scores! The event is held on an annual basis to raise money for a scholarship provided to a Broward County resident who are either a senior in high school or an undergraduate in college pursuing a degree in Civil Engineering. ASCE successfully raised \$2,000 for the scholarship fund.



CMA Annual Picnic

The CMA Annual Family Picnic was held on Saturday August 12 at Hugh Taylor Birch Park in Fort Lauderdale. Festivities included a BBQ lunch with a Ben and Jerry's ice cream station, corn hole and jinga tournaments and a hula hoop contest. Prizes for gift cards were awarded to our winners. Congratulations to Stefan Bortak, CID for winning the t-shirt design contest! Everyone received a t-shirt. Approximately 100 people enjoyed the day including employees, friends and families.



ASCE Miami-Dade Adopt-a-Road Program

On Saturday, July 29 ASCE Miami-Dade YMG along with the FIU and UM Student Chapters collaborated to clean up SW 104th Street (Killian Drive) between SW 107 Avenue and SW 117th Avenue. The Miami-Dade County Adopt-A-Road Program is a partnership to enhance the appearance of our roadways. Representing CMA were Patrick Kaimrajh, P.E., Nick Karpathy and Carlos Tijerino.



FELI Graduation

CMA Fort Lauderdale Branch Manager Daniel Davila, P.E. graduated from the Florida Engineering Leadership Institute (FELI) on August 4 and was recognized with his classmates during the FES/FICE 101st Annual at The Breakers Hotel in Palm Beach County. FELI's mission is to transition engineering professionals into community professionals and leaders within our societies, communities and workplaces. FELI enhances the leadership skills of its participants and sets out a clear pathway to put these skills into practice serving our profession and our communities over a 10-month class. FELI also provides networking across the current and past classes, serving as an outreach group to business and community leaders. By fostering interaction that puts training into practice, FELI achieves its



mission to "Transform Leadership Opportunities into Reality." Other CMA alumni of FELI include Peter Moore, P.E., F.ASCE, ENV SP, LEED® AP; Safiya Brea, P.E., LEED® AP; Jose L. Acosta, P.E., F.ASCE; Greg Mendez, P.E.; Jason McClair, P.E., CFM, LEED® AP and Suzanne Dombrowski, P.E. For more information, please visit <http://www.fleng.org/leadership.cfm>