

MEET OUR NEW EMPLOYEE!

Name: Cristobal Betancourt, RLA

Office: West Palm Beach

Title: Director of Landscape Architecture



Mr. Betancourt recently joined Chen Moore and Associates as Director of Landscape Architecture. He has experience providing planning and landscape architecture design solutions for public and private sector clients. Mr. Betancourt provides a full range of services starting with due diligence and master planning culminating in detailed site design. Most of Mr. Betancourt's current projects involve the design of facilities that are pursuing LEED® accreditation through the United States Green Building Council. He is well versed in the use of low-impact development techniques applied to site planning.

Mr. Betancourt has provided design services for various projects including commercial, corporate, education (K-12, special needs, and university levels), healthcare, research, residential (single and multi-family), retail and entertainment, planned unit developments, and transit oriented developments across the U.S. and abroad.

Previously, he served as Regional Manager for Landscape Architecture and Planning in the Palm Beach/Treasure Coast region for a multi-disciplined engineering firm; a Managing Associate at a landscape architecture firm in West Palm Beach; and as a Project Manager with multi-disciplined consulting firms in New York and New Jersey.

CHEN EMPLOYEE BIRTHDAYS

April 10th

Meghan Wells, E.I., LEED® AP



April 12th

Jason McClair, P.E., LEED® AP



"CHENNIVERSARIES"

April 15th - 10 years

Jason McClair, P.E., LEED® AP



May 30th - 5 years

Peter Dueño, E.I.



May 30th - 5 years

Jennifer Smith, P.E.



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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

As we start the beginning of our 2011, Chen Moore and Associates is also embracing the celebration of its 25th Anniversary. One of the ways we are celebrating is through our "25th Anniversary Challenge" which over half of our employees are participating in (page 3). We have also added a new employee who brings a new discipline to our firm, landscape architecture (page 4). One of our employees was also honored to be named Young Engineer of the Year by the Cuban American Association of Civil Engineers (right). We have also held a food drive to benefit the Cooperative Feeding Program (page 2); participated in FES MATHCOUNTS competition (page 3); and two of our employees served as judges for a SECME event at Miami Dade College (page 2). In addition, we are helping to organize the ASCE's Infrastructure Workshop to be held May 13, 2011 (page 3). This is our third year planning this annual event. Please also see page 2 for a recap of our holiday dinner and our backpage for our employee's birthdays and "Chenniversaries."



"The beginning of 2011 has brought several changes to Chen Moore and Associates."

Peter Moore, P.E., LEED® AP

I hope 2011 is off to a great start for you as well!

Sincerely,

Peter Moore, P.E., LEED® AP

CUBAN AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF CIVIL ENGINEERS'S

Jose Acosta, P.E. received the Cuban American Association of Civil Engineers's (CAACE) Young Engineer of the Year Award at the Annual Engineers Gala Banquet on Saturday February 5th, 2011. The award is presented to engineers who contributed substantially to the status of the engineering profession by having an established reputation for services to CAACE and other engineering organizations; personal character, integrity, and public image above reproach; an established reputation for civic, community, and public activities and responsibilities; significant contribution towards improving the professional aspects of civil engineering education; professional development of young engineers; and achievements and distinction in a technical field of choice and area of practice.



Jose and Sofia Acosta



Top L to R: Oscar Bello, P.E. and Jose Acosta, P.E.; Bottom: Peter Moore, P.E., LEED® AP and Cariann Moore.



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HOLIDAY PARTY

Chen Moore and Associates' Annual Holiday Party was held at Lola's in Hollywood on December 17, 2010. Chen Moore and Associates' Social Activities Committee presented a photo montage to employees and their guests recapping all of the events the company held and attended in 2010. Among the highlights were the local planning meeting and sunset cruise; ASCE Southeastern Student Conference; Wilton Manors Canoe Race; FES Induction Banquet; ASCE Broward Bowl-a-thon; Miami-Dade ASCE Installation and Awards Banquet; Bring Your Dog to Work Day; Festival of the Flutes; Palm Beach ASCE Bowl-a-thon; ASCE Palm Beach Marathon; and the Thanksgiving potluck!



The evening was a great opportunity for our Fort Lauderdale, Miami Beach, and West Palm Beach employees to get to socialize and celebrate a successful 2010.



L to R: Jennifer Smith, P.E., Meghan Wells, E.I., LEED® AP and Suzanne Dombrowski, P.E.; Joel Brownsey and Peter Moore, P.E., LEED® AP; James Barton, P.E., LEED® AP and Jason McClair, P.E., LEED® AP; and Derrick Smith, LEED® AP, Jennifer Smith, P.E. and Meghan Wells, E.I., LEED® AP.

FES'S ANNUAL MATHCOUNTS COMPETITION

On February 12, 2011, the Broward and Palm Beach Branches of the Florida Engineering Society held MATHCOUNTS, a yearly math competition for middle school students. This year, the events were held at Blanche Ely High School in Pompano Beach and Lake Worth High School in Lake Worth. The competition had a high turnout of both participants and volunteers, including several from Chen Moore and Associates. The competition continues to provide a fun learning experience for attendees. The

MATHCOUNTS®

winners of this competition will continue on to the State Competition to be held in Orlando later this year. From there, the winners will proceed to the national competition which is televised on ESPN. MATHCOUNTS continues to promote mathematics, a fundamental skill for the engineers of tomorrow, which Chen Moore and Associates along with the Florida Engineering Society is pleased to promote.

25TH YEAR CHALLENGE

Chen Moore and Associates is embracing the celebration of its 25th Anniversary. The average life of a small business is only 7 years and the average life of a consulting business is only 11 years, so getting to the ripe old age of 25 is quite a feat. To celebrate this, over half of our employees are participating in our "25th Anniversary Challenge."



In this challenge, employees are "giving a little more" by volunteering to spend an extra 25 hours of their time in a few different ways in 2011. Each employee is asked to spend 25 hours on community service, 25 hours on professional development and 25 hours working on a project of their own creation to make CMA a better place to work. Based on the current participation, we'll be investing over 1,000 hours into our community, our firm and ourselves. I hope that you too are motivated by this challenge and take on a personal "25" goal.

4TH ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE

Chen Moore and Associates' Community Service Committee organized the fourth annual Thanksgiving Food Drive in November, benefiting the Cooperative Feeding Program. For



over 24 years, the Program has assisted the hungry and homeless of Broward County by providing more than 1.2 million meals a year. Chen Moore and Associates collected several boxes of food in association with the Broward Branch of the American Society of Civil Engineers.



For more information on this important charity and how you can help, please visit www.feedingbroward.org.

SECME COMPETITION

On January 22, 2011, **Oscar Bello, P.E.** and **Jose Acosta, P.E.** served as judges at the "STEMulating Minds" competition at the SECME Olympiad and Festival, a Miami-Dade County Public School event held at the new Science Building at the North Campus of Miami Dade College. Students from grades 3 through 12 competed in the areas of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. In the SECME (Southeastern Consortium for Minorities in Engineering) program, students are required to design, build, and test a variety of engineering and research projects throughout the year. Students are also exposed to practicing engineers who help them understand the importance of mathematics and science in the global economy with the ultimate goal of encouraging students to pursue postsecondary degrees in engineering, mathematics, science, and technology.



ASCE INFRASTRUCTURE WORKSHOP

Based on previous year's successful reuse symposium and stormwater workshop, the Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach ASCE Branches of the Florida Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers are organizing a full-day workshop to discuss the state of South Florida infrastructure.

The program, to held on May 13, 2011, will consist of three sessions:

Funding and Regulations - This session will cover capital improvements via alternative financing; discuss the use of public-private partnerships to fund infrastructure projects; and address the impact that new regulations will have to South Florida infrastructure.

Construction and Transportation - This session will include presentations on current and future infrastructure projects in the area, like the Herbert Hoover Dike repairs and the Palmetto/Dolphin expressways interchange.

Water Resources - This session will provide an update on the current Everglades Restoration project; the impact of climate change and sea level rises to South Florida infrastructure; the challenges of implementing wastewater reuse in Miami-Dade County; and the cost-benefits of implementing water resource projects in South Florida.

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