



# MONTHLY FLYER

FLORIDA ENGINEERING SOCIETY

NOVEMBER 2001

## IMPORTANT DATES

- Grab a coworker and come to our next meeting, Thursday, November 15th at noon at Shooters!

### MONTHLY MEETING INFO

WHERE: Shooters

WHEN: 11/15/01 @ noon

COST: \$20/person

PROGRAM: Fort Lauderdale's \$500 Million Bond Issue

## NEW PLAYGROUND!

This year the Broward Chapter of the Florida Engineering Society is taking the initiative to give back to the community by sponsoring and installing a playground apparatus in a needy community. The proposed location of the project is in a Fort Lauderdale Community called Lauderdale Manors, which is a low to median income community. The playground would be built at Lauderdale Manors Park to augment the existing facilities. This park was part of the City of Fort Lauderdale's Parks Bond Program where a new aquatic facility was created and where the existing recreation center is to be rehabilitated but due to budgetary constraints, the playground facility cannot be expanded which would complete the recreational complex. Presently over 100 children with ages ranging from elementary through middle school ages utilize this park through the City's after school program.

The concept of this project would be facilitated through a three-way partnership with the City of Fort Lauderdale, Parks Structures, and Broward Chapter of FES. FES would raise money through donations from engineering firms and would establish a work force of members to assemble the playground on a workday. This workday would be anticipated to be sometime in January and would be incorporated as part of our E-Week activities.



If this seems like an exciting project that you would like to be apart of or for just more information, please call Pete Sheridan at 828-5086.

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## MEET THIS MONTH'S PRESENTER

### FORT LAUDERDALE'S FRANK COULTER

Mr. Coulter received his bachelor's degree from Stevens Institute of Technology on Hoboken, New Jersey. He has been involved in the water and sewer profession since 1970, and with the Fort Lauderdale Public Services Department since 1979. Mr. Coulter is a past Chair of AWWA, a registered Professional Engineer in the State of Florida, and is spearheading the City's \$555 million Water and Sewer Master Plan Program! Come meet Mr. Coulter and find out more about this exciting project!!!



## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

**Sandra Smith, P.E**

**Broward Chapter President, 2001/2002**

In spite of the tragedy that struck our country in September and the continued uncertainty that lingers since that day, we must continue to do the things we would have done prior to that date, or the terrorists will have won. The Broward Chapter of the Florida Engineering Society has continued our planned activities for the year in an effort to meet our goals for the year. We are proud to announce some of our recent successes.

Our annual golf tournament had a great turnout of nearly 100 golfers! Please accept our thanks for helping us exceed our goal on this important scholarship fund-raising event. Not only was enough money raised to fund this year's \$2500 scholarship, but enough was also raised to meet our goal of depositing \$1000 into our Florida Engineering Foundation endowment fund. This is a fund that is intended to eventually be able to sustain our yearly scholarship commitment based upon the interest it earns, in case future years do not experience the same level of successful fund-raising that you have assisted us with for the golf tournament this year. It was a fun day, with beautiful weather, good friends and good food. Also, each golfer received an FES Broward golf shirt. Jim Thompson did a great job organizing the event; Jim, THANK YOU!!! We hope that everyone that participated enjoyed the day as much as the board members did.

We are also very excited to mention the progress being made on organizing a "build a playground" project. Peter Sheridan is heading up the committee and has received commitments from five firms, each willing to donate \$2500, to purchase the playground equipment (through a joint funding agreement with the City of Fort Lauderdale) for an underprivileged neighborhood. Volunteers will be needed to assist in the actual construction of the playground, which is anticipated to take place in January 2002. Please contact Peter, or any board member if you'd like to participate.

One of our other goals for the year is to increase attendance at our monthly meetings to an average of 30 people, about a 20% increase over the typical attendance of last year. So far we've been successful at achieving that goal for each meeting this year and we look forward to exceeding that goal with Richard Tornese for Broward County Engineering Division making a presentation at the next meeting. Please plan to attend.

Finally, in honor of the thousands of casualties of the September 11<sup>th</sup> attacks on our country, I will repeat mention of two of the requests made in the president's message last month:

Please become an organ donor (Go to [www.organdonor.gov](http://www.organdonor.gov)) and please donate blood frequently (Go to [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org) or contact 1-800-GIVE-LIFE.) You can make a difference!

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## Committees and Contacts

### 2001-2002 CHAPTER OFFICERS

President Sandra Smith 436-7000  
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### COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

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**Fore!!!**



**Addressing the Ball?**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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### DISCOVERING ENGINEERING

The Broward Chapter of the Florida Engineering Society is taking our "ACE" award winning presentation back to the High Schools again this year as part of our E-Week activities. The presentation gives a general overview of the different opportunities and disciplines in the engineering profession to High School students in an effort to allow them to "Discover Engineering".

Last year the Chapter concentrated on High Schools primarily in the Fort Lauderdale area, this year we would like to expand the presentations to all of Broward County. In order to accomplish this we need more volunteers, so if you like working with young adults and like giving presentations on engineering, please consider being apart of this award winning program. For more information or to volunteer, please call Pete Sheridan at 828-5086.

### Volunteers Needed For:

- Waterways clean-up
- Playground construction
- E-Week Activities
- MathCounts

Contact Sandra Smith for information on the above activities.



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## CLASSIFIED ADS

Ads may be placed for \$40 / month, please contact Jim Thompson 730-0707 x 103

*We're on the web! [www.fleng.org/broward](http://www.fleng.org/broward)*

### GOLF TOURNAMENT BIGGEST EVER !!!

Thank you to all of this year's sponsors and participants for making this the best FES golf tournament ever! We raised over \$4,000 for the scholarship fund and had over 100 participants. The weather cooperated, and everything went off without a hitch. We'll see you again next year!!!



### FAU SUMMER INTERN WORK PROGRAM LIST

As part of our Discovering Engineering Program and our partnership with the new Civil Engineering program at Florida Atlantic University, the Chapter is attempting to establish an active list of engineering firms that would offer summer work programs for High School or College Students that are interested in engineering. If you would like to be part of this growing list, please contact Pete Sheridan at 828-5086 or e-mail at [PeterS@ci.ftlaud.fl.us](mailto:PeterS@ci.ftlaud.fl.us)

### MONTHLY PUZZLE (last month's answer—There weren't any dots!)

