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Upcoming Activities

January 2023

1/28 – NUCA Clay Shoot

February 2023

2/2 – Legislative Breakfast

2/5 - Mathcounts

2/16 – Dinner Meeting

FES Mission Statement  
 FES supports engineering education, advocates licensure, promotes the ethical and competent practice of engineering, and enhances the image and well-being of all engineers in the state of Florida; and furthers the public's knowledge and understanding of the importance of the profession.

**President's Message**

Greetings FES Palm Beach Chapter and Happy New Year!

We've had an eventful 2022 so far with the passing of the gavel, dinner and breakfast meetings, and a handful of great events like the Shrimp Boil and Holiday Joint Society Mixer.

We are kicking right off with an eventful next two months. In January, the Chapter is proud to have put together the Clay Shoot Tournament held on Friday, January 13<sup>th</sup>. The event was created to help the Sleep in Heavenly Peace organization to build beds to children in need. Thank you so much to our sponsors (we had a whopping 17 sponsors for the event)! Thank you also to our wonderful committee comprised of David Cowan, Linda Hess, Lauren Casaus, Chris LaForte, Mike Albert, and Rick Joseph.

Our January dinner meeting has been postponed and will be held on Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup>. Stay tuned for an email with the registration information.

Also in February, please join us at the Joint Professional Societies Annual Legislative Breakfast on Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>. This is a free event for our members to hear from your local legislators, network with your friends and colleagues, and enjoy a delicious breakfast. The registration link can be found in the newsletter flyer.

Parents, please take a moment to peruse our newsletter where you will find information about our Chapter Scholarship and the Florida Engineering Foundation Scholarship. Each year, the Chapter maximizes our efforts to raise funds for this scholarship and we are excited to announce that this year we will be awarding \$15,000 total in scholarship funds with individual scholarships awarded up to \$2,500. Eligibility varies from high school to university students, and the deadline to submit is February 15<sup>th</sup>! The Chapter's top students will be submitted to the state scholarship committee for consideration in the Florida Engineering Foundation Scholarship selection.

Lastly, we are looking for volunteers for our MATHCOUNTS Chapter competition! The competition will be held on Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup> with middle schoolers from all over Palm Beach County coming together at the Gulf Stream School for the first time since we had to go virtual the last 2 years. For more information please email myself at the email address below or Lexi Smith at [lexi@smithengineeringconsultants.com](mailto:lexi@smithengineeringconsultants.com).

Have a wonderful start to the new year,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M. Missena'.

Maria Missena, P.E.

FES Palm Beach Chapter President

[mmissena@scalarinc.net](mailto:mmissena@scalarinc.net)

## Engineer's Creed

*As a professional engineer, I dedicate my professional knowledge and skill to the advancement and betterment of human welfare. I pledge: To give the utmost of performance; To participate in none but honest enterprise; To live and work according to the laws of man and the highest standards of professional conduct; To place service before profit, the honor and standing of the profession before personal advantage, and the public welfare above all other considerations. In humility and with need for Divine Guidance, I make this pledge.*

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***Florida Engineering Society – Membership Committee – Seeking you!***

***FES is YOUR professional association. Your support and dedication are what helps us continue to build a stronger association. By renewing your membership, you will be a part of the team working to protect and celebrate the profession.***

***Renewing your membership is only the first step, we need your help to add membership as well. Do you encourage your young or new employees to be members? Help us explain how FES membership helps as the recognized and authoritative expert in licensure, ethics, and professional practice.***

## February Chapter meeting

### **What?**

Speaker Pending

### **Where?**

Embassy Suites Hotel  
1601 Belvedere Road, WPB

### **When?**

5:30 pm Networking  
6:30 - 8:30 pm Dinner and Program

### **RSVP**

The cost to attend is \$45.  
Cash, check, and credit cards will be accepted at the door.

[REGISTER HERE!](#)

Deadline to register is Thursday, February 9!

# Are you pursuing an engineering degree in college?

The Palm Beach Chapter of the Florida Engineering Society wants to support you through our chapter's scholarship program. This year we are excited to award another **\$15,000**; individual scholarships are awarded up to \$2,500.

**\*\* The Chapter's top students will then be submitted to the state scholarship committee for consideration in the Florida Engineering Foundation Scholarship selection.**



Download the application at [www.fleng.org/support-future-engineers/scholarships](http://www.fleng.org/support-future-engineers/scholarships)

**Submission Deadline: February 15, 2023**



#### Mail or Deliver to:

c/o Olive Bailey, PE  
Palm Beach County Engineering & Public Works  
2300 N Jog Rd, 3W  
West Palm Beach, FL 33411

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2022 RECIPIENTS

### HIGH SCHOOL

Nicholas Kottas—*Olympic Heights*

Tejaskvi Kari—*Palm Beach Central*

Joseph Rudnick—*William T. Dwyer*

Calissa Cowan—*Park Vista*

### COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY

Sascia Scott—*Palm Beach State College*

Oswaldo Pelaez —*University of Central Florida (Wellington)*

Sean Ng—*University of Florida (Jupiter)*

Ethan Bair—*Florida Institute of Technology (Glades Day)*

Marc Malin—*Florida Atlantic University*

Kalia Martin—*University of Florida (Palm Beach Central)*

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# SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

*for the 2022 - 2023  
school year*

*Up to  
\$36,000  
in Engineering  
Scholarships!*

## High School - University - Named

The Florida Engineering Society (FES) scholarships are generously funded by the Florida Engineering Foundation, Inc. (FEF), a not-for-profit entity whose mission is to encourage and assist students in pursuing engineering careers.

These scholarships are made possible by the generous tax deductible contributions of FES members, private companies, and the general public.

Scholarship contributions can be made at [info.fleng.org/fef\\_donation](http://info.fleng.org/fef_donation) or by check made payable to the Florida Engineering Foundation, Inc.

*For more information:*

 PO Box 750, Tallahassee, FL 32302

 [fleng.org](http://fleng.org)

 850-224-7121

**Apply at**

[fleng.org/support-  
future-engineers  
/scholarships](http://fleng.org/support-future-engineers/scholarships)

# Volunteers Needed

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## NUCA Clay Shoot – July 28th

Two Volunteers needed. Please email [fespalmbeach@gmail.com](mailto:fespalmbeach@gmail.com) if interested.



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## Florida MATHCOUNTS® – February 5th

Volunteers needed. Please email [fespalmbeach@gmail.com](mailto:fespalmbeach@gmail.com) if interested.

As the competition continues to grow, we need your help to sustain the success of this exciting and impactful event. At last year's state competition, 76 schools throughout Florida were represented by 244 Mathletes and 65 coaches. Only with the support of our members and member firms is Florida MATHCOUNTS® possible. These talented middle school students would miss this opportunity to shine without your help! **Make a Difference** [2022-2023 Donations](#)



## FES Membership Renewal



Thank you to all our members who have renewed! If you have not had the opportunity to do so, please take a moment and renew your membership *as soon as possible*.

[Renew online](#)

## Joint Professional Societies Annual Legislative Breakfast 2/2/2023

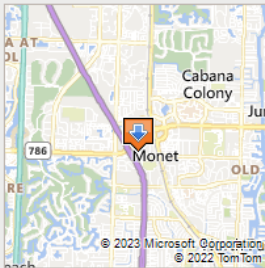
### WHEN

Thursday, February 2, 2023 from 7:00 AM to 9:30 AM  
EST

 [Add to Calendar](#)

### WHERE

Palm Beach Gardens Marriott Hotel  
4000 Rca Blvd  
Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410



[Driving Directions](#)

### CONTACT

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Join your colleagues at the 2023 Joint Professional Societies Annual Legislative Breakfast on Thursday, February 2, 2023, at the Marriott Hotel in Palm Beach Gardens (400 RCA Boulevard). *Meet your local legislators, ask questions, and learn what's in store for the 2023 Legislative Session.*

7:15 am - Registration Check-in Opens

7:30 am - Hot Breakfast Buffet Begins

8:00 am - Program Begins Promptly

**Thanks to our Sponsors, this is a FREE EVENT for all Host Organization Members and their guests.**

RSVPs are required by Thursday, January 26, 2023. Seating is limited, so please register early to guarantee your spot.

### SPONSOR THIS EVENT!

Sponsorships make this free event possible! When you click on the registration link below, you can select to purchase an Event Sponsorship for \$300 or a Table Sponsorship for \$600. Event Sponsors will be recognized at the breakfast and will have their company logo in the event materials. Table Sponsors will receive the same recognition, plus a designated table with up to 10 seats.

[Register Here](#)

## ***Become a Leader in Your Chapter***

Strong committees are critical to the success of our organization and they offer you an opportunity for meaningful involvement in the betterment of your profession. If you have the desire to contribute to the Society by assuming a volunteer position, please read below for a list of the vacant committee positions. If you have any questions or are interested in volunteering then please contact Maria Missena, P.E. at [mmissena@scalarinc.net](mailto:mmissena@scalarinc.net).

At a minimum, committee members are required to be members of the Palm Beach Chapter, attend chapter meetings, provide updates to the membership (through the newsletter, chapter meetings, board meeting and website) and manage the budget (if the committee requires funds).

### **Chapter Committees**

K-12 – **Vacant**

Legislative Affairs – **Vacant**

Chapter Webmaster – **Kate Saxon**

Community Service – **Marlon Ramirez**

Engineer It – **Rick Joseph, Jimmy Richie**

Membership Committee – **Giovanni Ortiz**

Scholarships – **Olive Bailey**

MATHCOUNTS -**Lexi Smith**

Student Professional Development – **Vacant**

Shrimp Boil – **David Cowan**

Golf Tournament – **Raj Krishnasamy**

Leadership Advisory - **Rob Rennebaum**

PE Prep Course – **Kelly Ward, Tara Swann**

Planning & Preparedness – **David Cowan**

Chapter, Other -**Denise Palmatier/ Shannon LaRocque**

### **State Committees**

Communications Advisory – **Vacant**

Professional Development – **Vacant**

Charter and Bylaws – **Vacant**

Florida Engineering Foundation – **Lisa Stone**

Membership Development – **Vacant**

Annual Conference Steering – **Karen Brandon**

Legislative and Government Relations – **Vacant**

Ethical Practices – **Angelina Fairchild**

### **Practice Section Liaison**

Chapter members represent the Palm Beach Chapter of the Florida Engineering Society as a liaison to the following practice sections:

Education (FPPE) – **Vacant**

Consulting (FICE) – **Vacant**

Industry (FPEI) – **Vacant**

Government (FPEG) – **Vacant**

### **Community Liaison**

Chapter members represent the Palm Beach Chapter of the Florida Engineering Society on the following Palm Beach County Boards:

FAU Advisory Council – **Vacant**

Environmental Control Hearing – **Toral Hertzberg**

Partnering – **Vacant**

Construction Industry Licensing Board – **Vacant**

Infrastructure Surtax Independent Citizen Oversight Committee – **Denise Palmatier**

Land Development Regulation Advisory – **Terrence Bailey**

School Board Engineering Academy Steering – **Vacant**

School Board Construction Oversight – **Vacant**

Groundwater and Natural Resources Protection – **Vacant**

Call for information: If you are serving on committee and do not see your committee or information here please let us know [bertrand.king@kimley-horn.com](mailto:bertrand.king@kimley-horn.com)



## Chapter Leadership

- President: Maria Missena, P.E.  
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Kimley-Horn  
[bertrand.king@kimley-horn.com](mailto:bertrand.king@kimley-horn.com)
- State Director: David Cowan Jr., P.E.  
Chen Moore  
[dcowan@chenmoore.com](mailto:dcowan@chenmoore.com)
- Past President: Nick Clavelo, P.E.  
Kimley-Horn  
[Nick.clavelo@kimley-horn.com](mailto:Nick.clavelo@kimley-horn.com)

**BECOME A MEMBER TODAY**

A membership with the Florida Engineering Society (FES) offers exceptional benefits ranging from the tangible (increased employee retention) to the intangible (development of Leadership and personal skills).

- NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES
- CONTINUING EDUCATION
- LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
- INVOLVEMENT WITH LEGISLATION
- INCREASED JOB SATISFACTION

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## FES Calendar

### Thursday, February 2, 2023

#### Ensuring Successful Stakeholder (Community) Involvement

2/2/2023

**Time:** 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

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### Wednesday, February 15, 2023

#### ACEC-FL FDOTConnect Training Lab: Drainage Design & 3D Modeling with Plans Development & Pond Design

2/15/2023 » 2/16/2023

**Time:** 8:00 am - 5:00 pm each day

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### Friday, February 17, 2023

#### 2023 ACEC-FL Engineering Excellence Banquet

2/17/2023

**Location:** Orlando **Time:** 6:00 pm - 9:30 pm

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### Friday, March 10, 2023

#### 2023 State MATHCOUNTS® Competition

3/10/2023

**Location:** Orlando, Florida **Time:** 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

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## *Advertising opportunities*

Looking to reach over 400 Engineers each month? Then place your ad in the FES Palm Beach Chapter newsletter. We are accepting new ads and renewals for the 2021-2022 Clipboard editions. Just \$150 for one year of advertising in the Clipboard. Please email your business card advertisements to [tara.swann@kimley-horn.com](mailto:tara.swann@kimley-horn.com). Checks should be made payable to Florida Engineering Society Palm Beach Chapter and should be mailed to Nick Clavelo, P.E., Chapter President at

1920 Wekiva Way, Suite 200, West Palm Beach, FL 33411

The Palm Beach Chapter will publish wanted notices for Palm Beach Chapter members at no costs. We will also publish Help Wanted notices for local industry at a normal cost of \$25 per 75-word advertisement (This offer does not apply to employment agencies working for a fee).

All entries will be subjected to editing and identities of individuals will be protected if requested. Please email your advertisements to Bert King, E.I. at [bertrand.king@kimley-horn.com](mailto:bertrand.king@kimley-horn.com) by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. The posting will appear in the newsletter for the following month.

Checks should be made payable to Florida Engineering Society Palm Beach Chapter and should be mailed to Maria Missena, P.E. Chapter President at 5713 Corporate Way, Suite 200, West Palm Beach, FL 33407



## 2022-2023 SPONSORS



FES PB Chapter is now looking for sponsors for the 2022-23 calendar year. Please contact (rick.joseph@wginc.com) if interested

### **JR Benton Founders Level (\$1000 to \$500)**

**Scalar Consulting Group**  
**Chen Moore and Associates**

### **Gold Level (\$500 to \$250)**

### **Silver Level (Up to \$250)**

**Engenuity Group**

**Kimley-Horn**

**Tierra South Florida**