

Florida Tech ASCE Chapter News

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"General Chapter"

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This year is coming to a close. The chapter has had a very enjoyable time at the Regional Competition in Nashville, TN. It was a long drive but the whole chapter enjoyed a good time at the competition. As we look forward to next year, I see many exciting and new adventures to come. We are looking forward to a good summer and a great year next year.

Last year several different students received an accumulated amount of \$3000.00 worth of scholarship funds. These contributions are made possible by organizations such as the ASCE Florida Section, ASCE Cape Canaveral Branch, and the Eric Primavera Endowment Fund. This year's ASCE scholarship application was due on Tuesday, April 14, 2009. We hope everyone turned theirs in on time!

For more information about sponsoring our chapter or speaking at one of our meetings contact Christel Noyes at 321-674-8048 or cnoyes@fit.edu.

For more information about the general chapter, email Carlos Frade, ASCE President, at cfradega@fit.edu or Peter Nunes, ASCE Vice-President, at pnunes@fit.edu

2009 Southeast Student Conference Hosted by
Vanderbilt University March 27-29 2009

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This year, we were able to compete and place in every event but one! We made it to the top ten in four of the competitions, including the Professional Paper and Visual Display. The conference was a great learning experience for everyone involved. We would like to thank our sponsors for their continuing support; it was greatly needed and appreciated. We all look forward to another great competition next year.

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Congratulations to the new 2009-2010 ASCE Officers!

President - Peter Nunes, pnunes@fit.edu
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Steel Bridge Captains - Corey Womack and Charles Russell, cwomack2008@fit.edu and crusse032006@fit.edu
Concrete Canoe Captain - Priyanka Prakash, pprakash2008@fit.edu

"Concrete Canoe"

Troy Dudich
FIT ASCE Concrete Canoe Chair

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The competition went great this year. The team was very successful: placing 3rd overall, and earning 6 awards for the races and design paper. The team will begin working on new designs and ideas for the competition next year. The team plans to focus on decreasing the canoe's weight as well as improving on the aesthetic features for the finished product. Paddling practice will continue throughout this summer and the team plans on being at the top of their game next year.

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"Steel Bridge"

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The Steel Bridge team successfully completed the 2009 Bridge for the Regional competition. The bridge passed all tests, coming in 8th overall. The team would like to thank, again, the sponsors who made this year possible.

The new captains for next year are Corey Womack and Charles Russell. For those interested in viewing this year's final product, it is on display in the Olin Engineering Building.

For more information, email Dana Buccelli at dbuccell@fit.edu



For contributions to the chapter's projects please send checks to:

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In the memo line put Florida Tech ASCE...thank you!

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 17, 2009 Senior Farewell Picnic
Intramural Field
11:30am – 1pm

If you would like any additional information please feel free to contact Carlos Frade, ASCE President, at cfradega@fit.edu.