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Please be our guest at:

Tampa Bay's Premiere Tabletop Event!

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2014 SUCA Showcase

Thursday, August 7th 2014
Showtime 4-7 pm

DoubleTree Hotel
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General Admission is FREE!

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letter from the
chairman



The recent inaction on long term funding for the Highway Trust Fund is only more reason for our industry to play a larger role in politics on the national, state, and local levels. Current proposals revolve around less than a year of stopgap funding paid for over ten years and are no way to address the systemic financial problems that exist. The only way this issue is solved is by making your voices heard! SUCA provides an excellent opportunity to do just that through NUCA's annual DC Summit.

In late May this year's SUCA Summit Delegation consisted of Scott Huber, Tim Smith, Theresa Mannix, and myself. We met with representatives of Senators Rubio and Nelson and Congressmen, Jolly, Bilirakus, Ross, Buchanan, Castor, and Nugent. We lobbied for increased infrastructure investment and for reduction in job killing bureaucracy. In these times of big money politics, it is vital that your representatives hear directly from you! The DC Summit also provides an excellent opportunity to go behind the scenes and see how our Democracy works.

NUCA is also a member of The Clean Water Council. The Clean Water Council is a coalition of 39 national organizations committed to ensuring a high quality of life through sound environmental infrastructure. Working in concert, CWC members advocate federal legislation and policies that will promote clean water and improve the nation's failing infrastructure. I urge you to log onto the website, cleanwatercouncil.org, in order to stay abreast of issues that affect our industry.

At the Local, State, and National level, SUCA is working for you, but we can't do it alone.

We need your active involvement in order to reach our full potential. Whether it is serving on a committee, attending a meeting, or just sharing an issue that affects your business, we need your involvement! Thank you for your continued support and I hope to see you all at this week's NUCA of Florida Conference.

- Dave Wirth, P.E.





BEACH DAY @ WHISKEY JOE'S

A day of fun in the sun was had by all!



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Committee:

**Clay Goodison,
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man**

**Kevin Chandler, Ef-
ficiency Shoring**

Tim Carmichael,

**Associated Con-
struction Products**

Great job team!!!!



Congratulations to all our winners!!!!

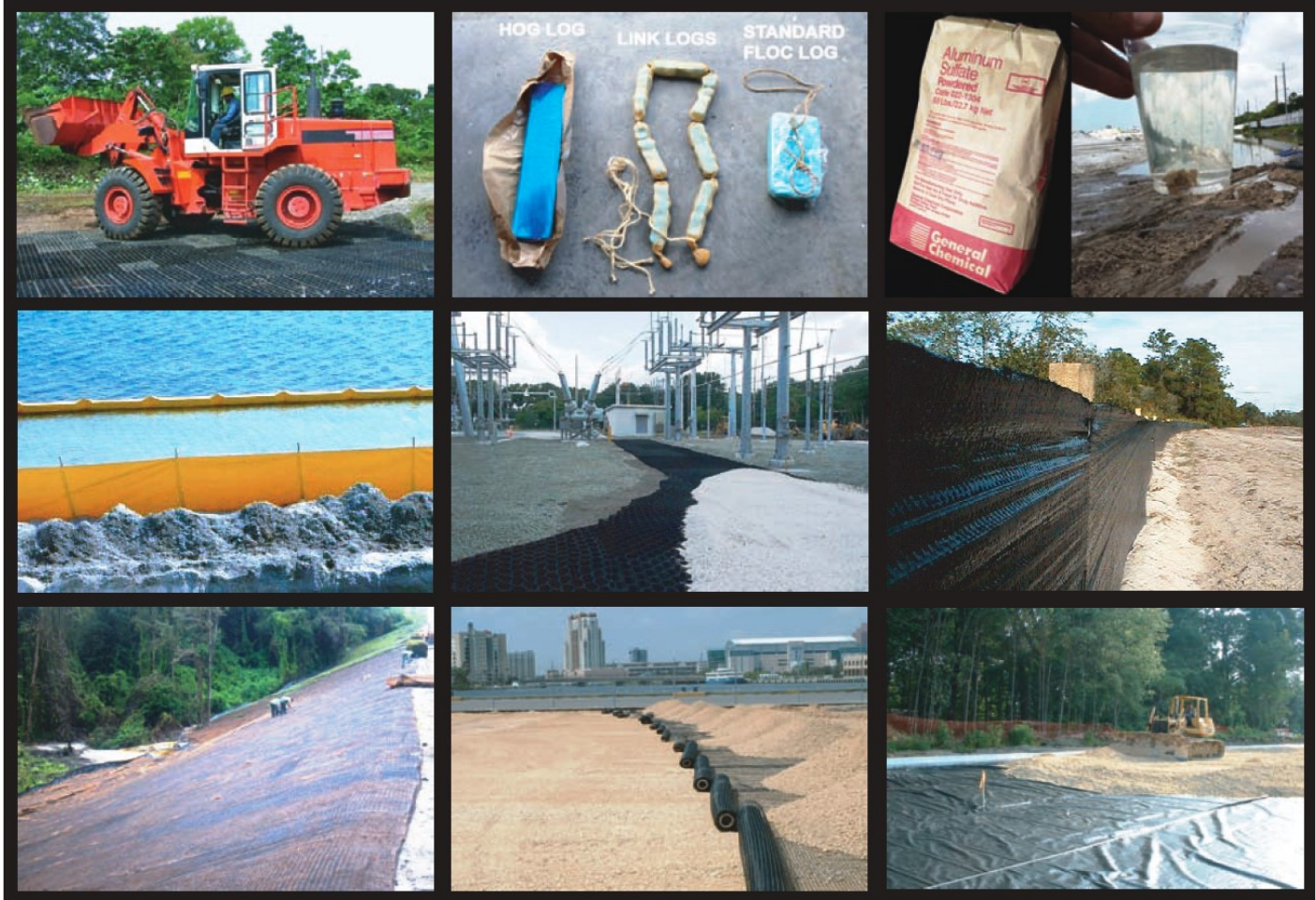
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- Custom Corntoss Corn Hole Sets for winners of Corn Hole Competition
- 1 Hour Jet Ski Rentals, Door Prize
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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2014 SCHOLARSHIP WINNER!

KYLIE HUBER, E.T. MACKENZIE



It is with great pride we present our 2014 \$6,000 Scholarship Award to Kylie Huber, daughter of Scott and Randi Lynn Huber of E.T. Mackenzie. Kylie recently graduated from Venice High School. During her years in high school, Kylie was chosen as 1 of 10 students out of over 100 applicants to lead in her Student Leadership Team for 2 years. She was chosen to participate in the Student Government Day and Superintendents forum twice. Kylie was also a member for 3 years of the Medical Academy and chosen to be a peer mentor. She has earned many honors and awards to include 1st place in Regional Health Science Competition, top 10 in State Competition and 1st place in STEM health quiz bowl, County Competition. Kylie has been accepted to the University of South Florida where she plans on majoring in nursing to obtain her Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree. We wish her the best of luck!



ANNUAL SPRING SCHOLARSHIP GOLF TOURNAMENT



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Jamie Miller, Cemex



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July 2014

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2 Task Force Meeting	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10 Membership Meeting— Jackson's Bistro	11	12
13	14	15	16	17 NUCA of Florida Conference	18 NUJC of Florida Conference	19 NUCA of Florida Conference
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

August 2014

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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3	4	5	6	7 SUCA Showcase	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23 Chartered Fishing Trip
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Dates to Remember

July 2nd: Task Force Meeting

July 10th: Membership Meeting @ Jackson's Bistro

July 17th-19th: NUCA of Florida Conference

July 18th: Pride Meeting

August 7th: Showcase

August 23rd: Chartered Fishing Trip



What safety classes are important to you?

- **Advanced MOT Certifications**
 - **Confined Space**
 - **Trenching & Shoring**
 - **Rigging**
 - **Crane Safety**
 - **Haz Mat**
 - **Tight Sheeting**
 - **OSHA Series**
 - ⇒ **10 hours**

FDOT is changing the state's MOT Procedures and training with most changes starting on July 15th. Once such change reduces MOT Certification coverage to two years.

SUCA scheduled an FDOT MOT Class on July 11th & 12th to provide members with a chance to renew their wallet cards for a full 4 YEARS prior to the changes in procedures. Training provided by Tampa Area Safety Council, Inc.

Just another way SUCA is looking out for our Members!!!

We would like to thank MOT Plans for their sponsorship of this training.



New Opportunity for Contractors!

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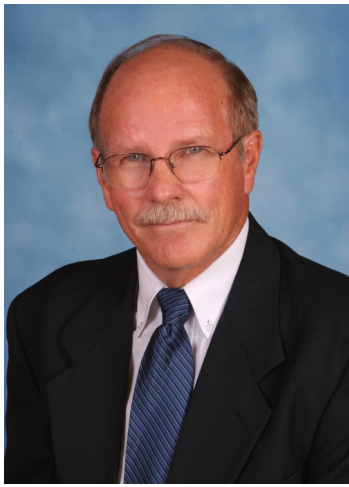
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MEET Mr. Wayne Jensen



How long have you lived in Florida

I was born in Winterhaven, Florida and grew up in St. Petersburg. College at the University of Florida took me away from Tampa Bay for a while as did the Marine Corps at the tail end of the Vietnam war. I was one of the lucky ones that never had to serve in Vietnam. I worked on radio systems for jet fighters for the Marine Corps mostly in Florida, Jacksonville.

What interest you about the Underground Utility Industry

I started my own small business right out of college doing heavy equipment operations but wanted big company experience so I decided that highway/heavy utility construction was the next step for that experience. I started out with CE Pierce then to Azzarelli Construction, Dallas 1, S&E Contractors and Overstreet Paving. I started serving SUCA when I was with Dallas 1 and S&E Contractors. I was also fortunate to have the opportunity to serve on the NUCA Board and made it to Treasurer in the progression to serving as President. A turn of events to become a "safety consultant" with FMI Corporation took me out of the industry but gave me the opportunity to serve many contractors across the country with their safety issues.

The safety consulting led me to a

powerline construction company named Red Simpson headquartered in Alexandria, LA. We did a major amount of underground construction so I remained in the industry. The powerline industry was amazing but the needs and challenges to preserve life were great. I was very fortunate to lead a team of people to take a company of some 2,000 employees from one of the worst safety records in the industry to one of the best in about 3 years. The owner and senior management team asked for vision as to how to protect the lives of their people and were willing to risk losing the business if that was what it took to stop the dying. I can't begin to tell you how it felt to work with a management team that would give away all they had accomplished in terms of monetary gains if it would save even one life. Like so many very successful businesses they thought that a dedication to working 100% safe instead of working as "safe as you can" would literally put them out of business. Of course, the dedication to working 100% safe—no matter the consequence was the ingredient to success in both safety AND profitability. We made the company so attractive that we got acquired by Pike Electric. I was fortunate in the acquisition to be kept on as the Director of Safety for the entire company over about 8,000 employees.

I learned in the underground utility industry first hand that it is possible to go millions of man-hours without loss time injuries in very treacherous businesses and remain profitable. I learned that there is nothing more magical than leading organizations to huge financial success

with nobody getting hurt.

What is your favorite book

Good to Great by Jim Collins. I bought copies of this book for everyone on the management and safety team at Red Simpson. Jim Collins shares great vision of how to take a Good business and make it Great. Vision is indeed the key to building on existing business success. I encourage everybody to build on the tenets found in this book

What are your hobbies

I love photography. I was particularly happy to see Theresa use my photography of the last fishing trip in her advertising for this year's fishing trip. I was more interested in the camera than the fish. I grew up as a fisherman with my Dad out of John's Pass in Madeira Beach. Every summer from the time I was 11 until I was 18 I was the "1st Mate" and only mate with my Dad. We spent 5 days at a time about a 100 miles offshore fishing. We carried out about 4000 lbs. of ice and usually brought back 5,000 pounds of snapper and grouper. We got 10 cents per pound for grouper and 25 cents per pound for snapper. I got paid a penny a pound for my services. \$50 was big money for me in that day. I have caught more fish than most people in 10 lifetimes.

I also like antique farm tractors and show them each year at "Pioneer Park Days" in Zolfo Springs in March. I have a 1905 5 hp Jumbo hit and miss engine that weighs about 400 pounds and a 1936 Model B John Deere tractor

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as a for instance.

Tell us about the services your company provides

Stahl & Associates provides a full cross-section of commercial insurance products for every aspect of business and personal needs including Property & Casualty, Workers Compensation and Employee Benefits. I support our teams in safety and risk management issues. We have developed some great tools to minimize general liability claims from damage to buried facilities.

What is your business philosophy

I have been blessed to serve a company that is dedicated to serving the needs of industry in every way that it can simply on the basis that it is the “right thing to do.” We utilize the resources and skillsets we have to make a difference in industry to best of our ability. Our business philosophy includes service on the board of SUCA which has been a great honor for me. The Tampa Bay Excavation Task Force has been a huge opportunity for service to industry both locally and nationally and the work continues to grow. We understand the “Field of Dreams” business approach: “If you build it they will come”.

What is your favorite sports team

I am the typical person who hopes their college team does well. So I went to the University of Florida and sometimes that works out and sometimes not.

What was the first car you drove

My first car was a 59 VW Beetle

with the “roller gas-petal” and battery under the back seat. The battery had a tendency to short out to the metal frame and catch the back seat on fire under some circumstances. I’ll stop that story there.

What is one interesting thing we should know about you

I am a conservationist. I will transplant a very dangerous snake to a safe spot for the snake to make my yard a spot safe for my family. I demonstrated my “conservationist attitude for my youngest son Jamie when he was about six. I caught a coral snake on my property in south St. Petersburg by grabbing it by the tail as it was trying to go underground and holding it up in the air so it couldn’t bite me. I told Jamie who was watching every thing; did I say he was 6 years old, to go get me a box. He did. We put the coral snake; did I say how poisonous a coral snake is, in the box and taped it up and we took it to Boyd Hill nature park near my house and with permission released it there. Now doesn’t that seem like a nice way to illustrate the importance of conservation to a 6 year old? I was so proud of myself. The next day when I came home my 6 year old Jamie ran up to me and announced “I caught another coral snake, Dad, let’s take it to Boyd Hill park. Yup, he caught one too and had it in a box ready for delivery to Boyd Hill. Note to self: Kids will do

everything parents do—

Workers also do everything they see supervisors do. Son Jamie is now 33. This last week both sons, Jason and Jamie were with my wife and I on vacation in Ireland. We were reminiscing about the coral snake story. Jamie remembered in great detail how he got the snake in the box. I never heard before his side of the story. He said that he got the snake in the box using sticks and not his bare hands. He said it was far too dangerous to do it as I had done. Did I say this was before I became a safety guy?

What is your favorite Charity

I love the work of the St. Petersburg Free Clinic and do as much as I can for them.

What is one thing you would like to see SUCA accomplish

Keep providing leadership for industry. Demonstrate leadership by “doing” making a difference for all.



2014 FAMILY FUN PRIVATE CHARTERED FISHING TRIP



Pack up the family and join fellow SUCA members for
6 hours of deep sea fishing & FUN IN THE SUN!

Saturday, August 23rd, 2014

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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- Minimal cost of \$25.00 per person includes your rod and reel, bait, tackle, fishing license and long sleeved tee-shirt!
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- Food & drinks are available for purchase on the boat or you may bring a small cooler with your own food & drinks! (Cans only...no bottles!)

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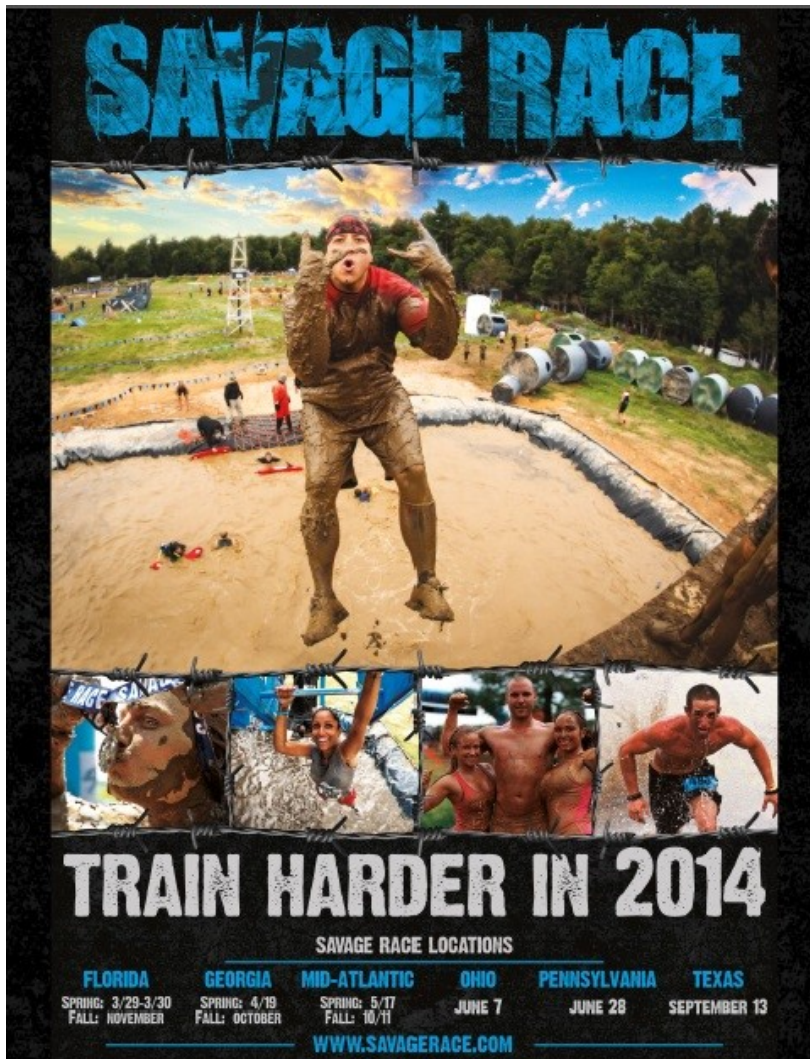
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- * Membership
- * Events
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Contact Theresa Mannix @ tmannix@suca.org to sign up for a Committee.



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