

10th Annual FALLIDAY Member Appreciation Event!

TBAEP's membership appreciation event is next Thursday, November 17th from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. at TPepin's Hospitality Centre located at 4121 North 50th Street, Tampa, Florida, 33610. Great food and two complimentary drinks will be provided due to the generosity of our sponsors.

Join fellow TBAEP members and sponsors for a relaxing night of socializing, celebration, and fun. This year grab a cocktail and participate in an exciting ice breaker bingo game—with an Environmental Professional twist!

TBAEP Thanks its Members and Generous Falliday Sponsors for their Support!

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Upcoming TBAEP Events

- Falliday 2016—Nov 17, 2016
- Metropolitan Ministries Holiday Drive—Date TBD
- Networking Social—Jan 26, 2017

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The 2nd Annual Student Scholarship Fund Challenge

Please support the development of our young environmental professionals by donating to the Scholarship Endowment Fund. Last year TBAEP's member's raised \$1,600 and this year we hope to get 100% member participation during this Student Scholarship Fund Annual Challenge— simply donate when you RSVP to the event online. Donors attending Falliday will get an additional raffle ticket and the chance to win Tampa Bay Lightning Chase Club tickets!

Enjoy a FALLIDAY Photo Finish

Once again, we will have the popular and fun **Photo Booth**, sponsored by Enviro-Trac. Don't forget to stop by and take those silly photos to display at the office or use as the holiday photo card.

The winners of our **Annual Photo Contest** will be announced and each member will receive a complimentary 2017 TBAEP calendar. The winning photographs from last year will be mounted on canvas and available in the silent auction.



Photo by Bryce Moseley

TBAEP Luncheon Meetings

In August, members got to see how the Southwest Florida Water Management District uses GIS and other geo-spatial tools to help citizens conserve water and protect our natural systems.



In September, Dr. Rebecca Zarger from the USF Anthropology Department presented her study of visual climate change scenarios to illustrate the possible climate change impacts on linked social and ecological systems in Tampa Bay.



In October, members got an inside look at the environmental health and safety protocols at Busch Gardens, Tampa Bay.



Member Reminder!

Pre-registration for luncheon meetings is important so coordinators can guarantee you a seat and to provide the restaurant with an accurate head count and provide menus for dietary needs.



Community Service—Metropolitan Ministries

As part of TBAEP’s outreach, we will be collecting food and holiday toys at Falliday this year. All collections will benefit the Metropolitan Ministries. All donations would be greatly appreciated, but if you are looking for donation ideas, the following is specifically requested: gifts for teens, gift cards, diapers, canned meat, rice and peanut butter.

Additionally, we will have a volunteer sign up very soon for working in the holiday tent for Christmas. Last year we had a great group handing out turkeys and pulling wagons. This was a great experience and included three parent/teen families. What a great way to teach the kids about giving back! Date of the event to follow so be sure to check your emails.

TBAEP Mission

Mission

TBAEP provides a forum for environmental professionals and students to network, learn and make a difference in the Tampa Bay community



Vision

To be the largest, most connected and engaged group of environmental professionals in the nation

Values

Highest Ethical Standards
 Collaboration and Teamwork
 Environmental Stewardship
 Professional Integrity
 Innovation

Welcome New TBAEP Members—August and September 2016

August 2016

Taylor Cook, Aquatic Systems, Inc.

Julie Cornwell, Student Member

Beth DeVoll, Student Member

Elizabeth Gallagher, Greenman-Pedersen, Inc.

David Heinold, Student Member

Camille Knight, Flatwoods Consulting Group

Jordan Kowenski, SurvTech Solutions

Sierra Lauck, HNTB

John Snider, Student Member

September 2016

Mark Alessandrone, Clark Environmental, Inc.

Christina Bryant, EPC of Hillsborough County

Benjamin Compton, Flatwoods Consulting Group

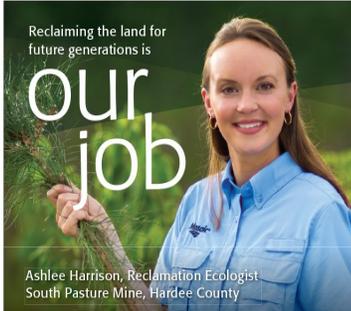
Mary James, Quest Ecology

Michelle Jenkins, EPC of Hillsborough County

Kimberly Tapley, EPC of Hillsborough County

Tonya Wiley, Haven Worth Consulting

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Ashlee Harrison, Reclamation Ecologist
South Pasture Mine, Hardee County

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Women in STEM Workshop

On August 23rd, TBAEP members took part in our annual Women in STEM Workshop. During the event, members got the opportunity to learn from successful women leaders from both the public and private sectors. There was also an opportunity to have up close and personal conversations with the panel of leaders, followed by networking and mentoring opportunities. A special thanks to our panel of leaders: **Beverly F. Birkitt, M.S.**, President and Principal Ecologist for Birkitt Environmental Services, Inc.; **Janet Dougherty**, Director of the Environmental Protection Commission (EPC) of Hillsborough County; **Holly Greening**, Executive Director of the Tampa Bay Estuary Program; **Liza Grudin, PE, ENV SP**, of NovelESolutions, Inc.; **Jason Liu**, managing partner of BBG; **Angela Ryan** of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and **Mary E. Yeargan**, Director of the Southwest District, Department of Environmental Protection.



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Climate: Change the Conversation Workshop

On October 25th, the UF/IFAS Pinellas County Extension Office and the USF Department of Anthropology invited TBAEP members to take part in a Pilot Program for Phase II of their climate community conversation. Our participation and feedback has helped inform a larger regional and state-wide effort!



Keep Pinellas Beautiful/Pinellas County Joe's Creek Cleanup

On October 15th, TBAEP members participated in the clean up of Cross Bayou/Joe's Creek in Pinellas County. Each year, community members and organizations like Keep Pinellas Beautiful work with local governments to identify areas that are inundated with marine debris. The international Coastal Cleanup is a campaign through which Keep Pinellas Beautiful hosted numerous sites throughout Pinellas County. Dedicated site captains, volunteers and team members removed large amounts of potentially hazardous materials from creeks, watersheds and oceans.

TBAEP volunteers did a tremendous job in helping to clean up this area. They even made a work out of the clean up by utilizing kayaks and canoes in the clean up. We hope to see more volunteers next year for this worthy cause!



Making a Difference

Stewardship

TBAEP sponsored the Gopher Weedon Trail Run to "support Weedon Island Preserve through education, preservation, and protection of its habitat, ecology, and cultural history." The race course winds through mangroves, salt marsh and Florida scrub habitat to allow participants to enjoy these unique aspects of the Tampa Bay environment.



Collaboration

TBAEP sponsored the Sustany Foundation's Sustainable Buzz event to highlight sustainable practices in the Tampa Bay area. Annually, they promote and recognize best practices by hosting the Sustainable Business Awards and TBAEP members serve on the mini-grant award committee to support sustainable innovations.

