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The FHEA 28th Spring Meeting was held at the Mission Inn in Howie-in-the-Hills on May 3rd and 4th. The meeting was a great success. There were 35 tabletop exhibits and over 200 attendees and exhibitors making the meeting our largest spring meeting. The participants in the 5th Annual Spring golf

tournament shared camaraderie and a great time.

the 50th Annual Meeting and Trade show.

The Annual meeting will be on Wednesday, October 10, 2012 at the Rosen Shingle Creek Conference Center, while the AHCA Seminar and our Trade show will be held on the two days preceding, October 8th and 9th, 2012. I have been talking to several new supporting members and they are saying that our Trade Show has a reputation that is second to none. I was reading through the ASHE Conference literature and they have approximately 265 booths in their trade show. We will have 278 booths this year.

The President's Corner

GREGORY C. HODGSON, CHE, CHFM, PRESIDENT

Attendance at the Certified Healthcare Facility Manager (CHFM) certification prep course exceeded all expectations. There were 51 participants. I would like to personally thank Alethea Vitray for her tireless work for assembling this amazing event.

During the last Board meeting on May 3rd, FHEA received notification that the Association was awarded the Platinum award again from ASHE for 2011. The Platinum Chapter Award is the highest level of affiliation a state chapter can receive.

ASHE's Annual Meeting will be held in San Antonio, TX on July 15 – 18, 2012. I am looking forward to attending the conference and representing FHEA as your President. I hope to see many familiar Florida faces there.

Our next Board meeting will be held on August 17th in Daytona Beach to put the finishing touches on

On Tuesday night, October 9th, there will be a Gala to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of FHEA. Please make plans to attend this

fantastic celebration and to reminisce with new and old friends. Additional information on the Gala will be sent out and also posted on www.fhea.org when all details are finalized.

Remember, this organization is here for you. Your participation is vital to the stability and growth of the association. I would like to encourage you to attend your District meetings and get involved. There are personnel working in facilities that are not even aware of the educational opportunities that FHEA provides.

This is going to be a great year ahead of us, with the growth of both membership and supporting membership and culminating with the 50th Anniversary celebration.

In closing, I would like to thank all the Board members for their support as well as the members who support FHEA and us throughout the year.

Jackson North Medical Center Earns EPA's Energy Star® Certification For Superior Energy Efficiency

MIAMI – Jackson North Medical Center, a satellite of the Jackson Health System, has earned the 2012 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) ENERGY STAR® certification, for energy efficiency. The Energy Star is awarded to buildings that perform in the top 25 percent of similar facilities nationwide for meeting strict energy efficiency performance levels. Jackson North is one of only three hospitals in Florida to achieve this designation and one of only 43 hospitals nationwide to earn the title of America's Energy All Star.

“Jackson North Medical Center is pleased to accept EPA's ENERGY STAR® certification in recognition of our energy efficiency efforts,” said Michael Drenta, CHFM, director of Engi-

energy performance through managing energy strategically across the entire campus and by making cost-effective improvements. As a result, Jackson North prevented greenhouse gas emissions equal to 27.6 metric tons of carbon

Commercial & Industrial Branch. “From the boiler room to the board room, organizations are leading the way by making their buildings more efficient and earning EPA's ENERGY STAR certification.”



Jackson North Medical Center



Michael Drenta, CHFM, Director, Engineering Services, Jackson North MC

neering Services at Jackson North Medical Center, “Through this achievement, this organization has demonstrated our commitment to environmental stewardship while also lowering our energy costs.”

Achieving EPA's ENERGY STAR® certification at Jackson North Medical Center was a team effort. They met a strict EOS standard by using an average of 35 percent less energy than typical buildings and also releasing 35 percent less carbon dioxide into the atmosphere. This was accomplished by boosting its

dioxide equivalent into the environment.

Jackson North Medical Center's administration along with key entities took the following actions to optimize performance:

- Original windows were replaced with impact resistant windows resulting in less solar load and eliminating air infiltration.
- Exterior lighting was automated to adjust to variations in light levels.
- The ventilation of the facility was optimized following an audit that determined it was over ventilated.
- Installed a new building automation system (BacNet) to control major heating, ventilation and air conditioning equipment.
- Installed new chillers and cooling towers.

“Improving the energy efficiency of our nation's buildings is critical to protecting our environment,” said Jean Lupinacci, Chief of the ENERGY STAR®

EPA's ENERGY STAR® energy performance scale helps organizations assess how efficiently their buildings use energy relative to similar buildings nationwide. A building that scores a 75 or higher on EPA's 1-100 scale may be eligible for ENERGY STAR® certification.

Jackson North Medical Center is a 382-bed, acute-care, community hospital serving the residents of North Miami-Dade County. It is also an academic affiliate of the Florida International University Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine. Jackson North's services include 24-hour adult and pediatric emergency care, cardiac care, maternity care, orthopedics, surgery, inpatient and outpatient rehabilitation, and wound care including hyperbaric chamber treatment/therapy. Jackson North is a joint commission certified advanced primary stroke center and a member of the Dade County STEMI Network for interventional cardiology.

Rich Armstrong Earns SASHE Designation

The FHEA was notified that one of its own, Richard C. Armstrong, Jr., CHE, CHFM, was awarded the distinct honor of Senior in ASHE (SASHE) designation by ASHE in June.



Richard C. Armstrong, Jr.

Recipients of this award must demonstrate outstanding leadership geared towards the goal of sharing their knowledge and expertise in a way that advances the healthcare engineering profession. In addition to requirements of job experience and academic credentials, they must hold leadership positions, and demonstrate proficiency in lecturing and writing within the field.

Rich, who serves this year as District III's president, is the Director of Facilities and Construction at St. Joseph's Hospitals - Baycare Health Systems.

When asked to comment on this achievement, he responded that he hoped that others would be encouraged to pursue ever higher goals in the healthcare engineering profession, in his words, to "Engage the Profession." His reward is "seeing others I have had some influence on succeed."

Our congratulations to Rich for setting an example for the rest of us to follow.

FHEA's Current CHE's

The following individuals, including several new recipients this year, currently hold the CHE designation:

- Rodney J. Allen, CHFM
- Steven Archer
- Richard C. Armstrong, Jr., CHFM, SASHE
- Michael E. Barrow, CHFM
- Julio Chang
- Ray N. Christianson
- Michael E. Cronan, CHFM
- Daniel Dahl

- David B. Denham, P.E.
- Dino M. Gavazza
- Thomas Gibson, CHFM, CHC
- Eddy Hernandez
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- Pete Mareska
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FHEA 1962–2012

In 2012, the Florida Healthcare Engineering Association marks its 50th year with a very special celebration. Returning again to the beautiful Rosen Shingle Creek, its spacious environs have allowed us to have our largest trade show ever last year which will be repeated again this year.

Many of our members, both active and supporting do not have memories of the association before our meetings became as large as they are today, but there is a group of “old-timers” who remember those early days, when the “trade show” was a handful of vendors with small tabletops set up outside their hotel rooms. When the state’s total active member numbers were far less than the numbers of just one district today. When even the simplest communication involved a typewriter, paper, envelopes and stamps.

We want to bring back some of those memories to provide a perspective that begins with the very modest roots of this great association and takes us through decades of growth to where we are today, one of ASHE’s largest and most active chapters with multiple years of platinum awards.

Join us for an evening with old and new friends as we take a lighthearted, humorous look back on the last 50 years. Greg Hodgson, our state president and a dedicated committee have been working tirelessly for months behind the scenes planning this evening for you. There will be photo and video perspectives, and Shelburn Wilkes, FHEA’s former executive director will be in good form to take us down memory lane. This will be a semi-formal affair—bring your dancing shoes! All this, plus surprises and moments that will last another fifty years.

Meeting packets with registration information for the Annual Meeting and Trade Show as well as RSVP information for the Tuesday evening Gala will be mailed out in a few weeks. Information is also posted and online registration is available on the FHEA website, www.fhea.org.

Celebrating 50 Years!

MONDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2012

P.M.

- 1:00 Registration/Check-in (*Gatlin Registration Desk*)
- 1:00 Board of Directors Meeting - Lunch served (*St. Johns 23*)
- 4:30 **OPENING of 50th TRADE SHOW** - (*Gatlin ABC*)
- Dutch-Treat Reception
- 7:30 Trade Show closes - On Your Own - Visit Hospitality Suites

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2012

A.M.

- 7:00-9:00 **TRADE SHOW** - Continental Breakfast (*Gatlin ABC*)

P.M.

- 12:15 **TRADE SHOW DOOR PRIZES - “TOWN HALL”**
- 2:30 Closing of Trade Show
- 4:00 District 3 Meeting (*St. Johns 23*)
- 4:00 District 4 Meeting (*St. Johns 24*)
- 6:00-7:00 **“Celebrating 50 Years” Gala** - Reception (semi-formal)
- 7:00-11:00 Dinner, Presentations, Music, Dancing

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2012 ANNUAL MEETING

A.M.

- 7:00 Registration (*Panzacola F3 East Foyer*)
- 7:15 CHE Breakfast (*Hosted by Barton Malow, St. Johns 24*)
- 7:30 Continental Breakfast (*Panzacola F3 East Foyer*)
- 8:30 **ANNUAL MEETING** (*Panzacola F3*)
- Welcome, Introductions, Announcements
- Gregory C. Hodgson, CHE, CHFM, FHEA President
- 8:45 **“Certified Healthcare Facility Manager Designation – Past, Present and Future”**
- Leo M. Gehring, CHFM, CHC, FASHE
- Gehring Health Facility Resources*
- 9:30 **“Interpreting the Joint Commission’s EC.02.05.07 Eight Elements of Performance - How You Can Ensure Compliance”**
- Dan Chisholm, Sr., Principal, MGI-EPSS, Inc.
- 10:15 Coffee Break
- 10:45 **“ASHRAE 188P - Prevention of Legionellosis Associated with Building Water Systems”**
- Suzanne S. Blevins, SM (ASCP), Laboratory Director, Aerobiology Laboratory Associates Inc.
- 11:30 **“Performance Monitoring – Going Beyond 100%”**
- Wayne Kingelsmith, CHFM, FASHE, Principal, MSL Healthcare Consulting, Inc.
- 12:15 Luncheon - (*Panzacola F4*)
- (*Hosted by Ring Power Corp. and Pantropic Power, Inc.*)
- Luncheon Address
- ASHE Update**
- Ralph C. Graham, Jr., ASHE Region 4 Director

P.M.

- 1:30 **FHEA Annual Business Meeting**
- Committee & District Reports – Elections – Awards
- Final Door Prizes (*Sponsored by Smith Seckman Reid, Inc.*)
- 3:00 Adjournment



FHEA “Celebrating 50 Years” Gala Sponsorship Opportunities

Tuesday, October 9, 2012 • Rosen Shingle Creek

Presenting Sponsor: \$10,000 (SOLD OUT)

- Two tables of 10 (Premier Seating) at gala
- One double booth at FHEA trade show
- Company shown as top sponsor in all media
- Company link to FHEA web site
- Company logo listed on “Welcome Banner”
- Recognition signage at FHEA trade show booth
- 4 slides in looping slide show during event
- One full-page ad in premium location in gala program
- Exposure to 500+ state healthcare professionals

Platinum Sponsor: \$5,000 (Only 1 Remaining)

- One table of 10 (Preferred Seating) at gala
- One booth at FHEA trade show
- Recognition in all event publicity
- Company logo listed on “Welcome Banner”
- Recognition signage at FHEA trade show booth
- 4 slides in looping slide show during event
- One half-page ad in gala program
- Exposure to 500+ state healthcare professionals

Gold Sponsor: \$3,500

- One table of 10 at gala
- Recognition in all event publicity
- Company logo listed on “Welcome Banner”
- Recognition signage at FHEA trade show booth
- 2 slides in looping slide show during event
- One quarter-page ad in gala program
- Exposure to 500+ state healthcare professionals

Table Sponsor: \$2,000

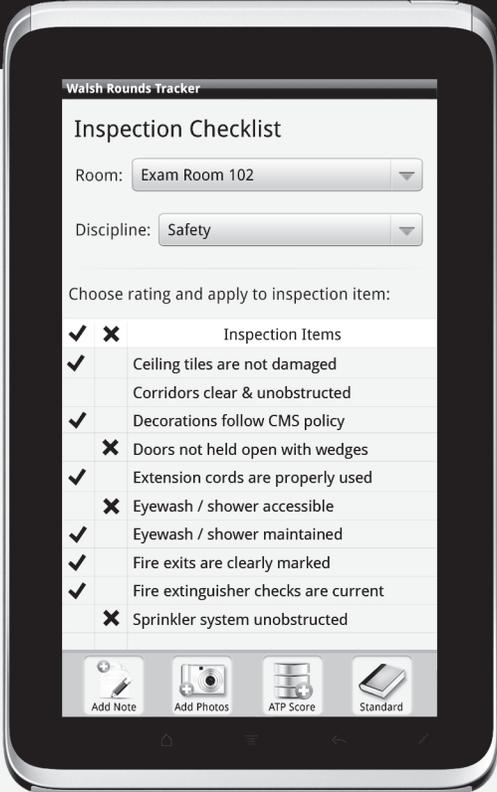
- One table of 10 at gala

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Wednesday, Oct. 10

FHEA Annual Meeting
Educational Session

As the AHCA and FHEA components of this shared conference became more jointly coordinated, we began to combine the registration into one process. This year *all* registrations - whether to register for both the AHCA/FHEA sessions or for the FHEA session only - will be through LAT Conference Services. Register using mail-in form (coming your way and also available online) and check, or with a credit card online.