



News from the Florida Association of County Engineers & Road Superintendents

## FACERS Fall Meeting Hillsborough County

The 2018 FACERS Fall Meeting registration has recently opened! The meeting will be held in conjunction with the 2018 Florida Association of Counties Legislative Conference. To register, [click here](#).

November 28-30, 2018  
Marriott Tampa Waterside

Registration Fees:  
FACERS Members - \$100  
Non-Member - \$175

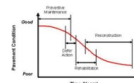
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An agenda for the meeting will be posted on the web shortly. For more information on the Fall Meeting, please [click here](#).

For assistance in registering, please contact [Milan Clayton](#) at 850-922-4300.

## FHWA EDC-4 Pavement Preservation Peer Exchange

FHWA and LTAP will be hosting a Peer Exchange the day before the FACERS meeting. FACERS supports this FHWA initiative and encourages members to participate or to send appropriate members of their staff to this peer exchange. Registration is **FREE**.



### Pavement Preservation Peer Exchange



U.S. Department of Transportation  
Federal Highway Administration



This Peer Exchange is a chance for Local Agencies to provide valuable lessons learned to other Local Agencies on the topic of Pavement Preservation, When/Where/How. The participants will also be given the opportunity to provide guidance and input to the project team conducting When/Where/How support to the FHWA.

To learn more about this event and view the draft agenda, please click [here](#).

### DATE AND TIME

Tuesday, November 27, 2018

8:30 AM – 4:00 PM EST

### LOCATION

Tampa Marriott Waterside Hotel

Room 4

700 South Florida Avenue

Tampa, FL 33602

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*\*\*Please note that this is a separate registration from the FACERS Fall Meeting. If you wish to attend both the Peer Exchange and the FACERS Fall Meeting, you will need to register for both separately.*

## Other Upcoming Events

### National Summit on Rural Road Safety



December 4-6, 2018 | Savannah, GA  
Savannah Marriott Riverfront

The second National Summit on Rural Road Safety will help identify key transportation issues and safety solutions in rural areas, contextualized by the call to action of “On the Road to Zero, We Cannot Ignore Rural.” GHSA Director of Policy and Government Relations Russ Martin will participate in a panel on "Doubling Down on What Works" to provide an update on SHSO activities in rural areas.

For more information, click [here](#).

## President's Message

### Shane Parker

Hello! I hope everyone had a great summer with their families and enjoyed some much needed rest.

I know everyone is extremely busy, but the FACERS' fall conference is around the corner and I encourage all members to attend. The fall conference will be held at the Marriott

Tampa Waterside in Hillsborough County, FL on November 28-30, 2018. The meeting which be held simultaneously with the 2018 FAC Legislative Conference and is a great networking opportunity.



Vice-President Brian Singleton is doing an excellent job in scheduling some conference speakers that I believe everyone will enjoy. I know for sure that Brian has arranged for the FDOT District 7 Secretary to speak.

Remember licenses for Professional Engineers who are licensed by the State of Florida expire February 28, 2019. So why not attend the FACERS fall conference and obtain some needed Professional Development Hours (PDHs)?

Engineers who are licensed by the State of Florida will receive PDHs for attending the FACERS' technical sessions. The cost of attending the FACERS' fall conference is \$100.00 and is free if you register to attend the FAC Legislative Conference.

And don't forget the FACERS' social! This is a great opportunity for individuals, who are registered for the conference, to network with peers and corporate conference sponsors.

So please register to attend. I look forward to seeing you in Tampa!

Thanks,

Shane

## Member Spotlight

### Ben Bartlett

#### Professional Bio

Ben Bartlett is currently the Deputy Director of the Road & Bridge Division of Volusia County Public Works. Ben has a Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Central Florida. Currently Ben manages the operations responsible for ensuring the 1,083 miles of roadway, associated drainage systems and 48 vehicular bridges are maintained properly and efficiently.



Before working for Volusia County, Ben spent 4 years as the Public Works/Utilities Operations Manager for Orange City in Volusia County. Ben has



over 20 years of experience in Building, Site, Roadway, Parks and Utility Construction. Prior to working in local government, he spent 15 years as a Project Manager and Project Engineer managing construction projects for a local engineering consultant and a local general contractor.

## Personal Info

**What's playing on your iPod?** Being a child of the 90's I always enjoy some good Grunge music. Nirvana and Pearl Jam are my favorites.

**What's the last book you read?** Someone Could Get Hurt: A Memoir of Twenty-First-Century Parenthood by Drew Magary. This is a book by a Deadspin & GQ columnist I read frequently. This is a really funny (sometimes gross) look at the trials and tribulations of being a parent of young kids in today's world.

**What's your favorite thing to do on the weekends?** I have two favorites. I coach my 8 year old son's Little League baseball team and I attend every home football game for the defending National Champion, UCF Knights! Charge On!

**What's your favorite part of FACERS?** My favorite part of FACERS is meeting and interacting with my counterparts in other Florida counties. I am always interested to learn about how other counties perform maintenance operations. I feel this learning and sharing of how we each accomplish our respective missions is the most beneficial aspect of participating in FACERS.

**Anything else you'd like to include about yourself.** I moved to Central Florida from San Antonio, Texas in 2002 to complete my Engineering Degree at UCF. Having been here for over 16 years and dealing with multiple Hurricanes, I now consider myself a true Floridian!

## FACERS Scholarships

FACERS is a co-sponsor of engineering scholarships with four of Florida's major universities. These scholarships were established in partnership with various private sector companies. FACERS is proud of our relationship with these universities and grateful for the support of our private sector partners. It's an honor to provide this assistance to so many deserving future engineers!



Florida International University: FACERS / Chastain Skillman Civil Engineering Scholarship  
FACERS Representative - Ramon Gavarrete



UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

University of Central Florida: HDR/FACERS Endowed Scholarship  
FACERS Representative – Ben Bartlett



University of Florida: Kahlert/FACERS Endowed Scholarship  
FACERS Representative - Fred Schneider

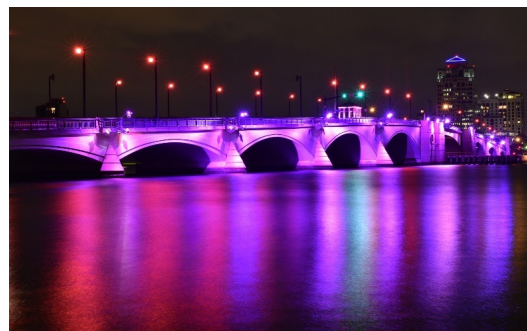


University of South Florida: FACERS Endowed Scholarship  
Co-Sponsors - Ayers & Associates / HDR / AECOM  
FACERS Representative - Steve Ferrell

## Sponsor Spotlight Target Engineering Group



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- Project and Construction Management
- Project Constructability Reviews



- Contract Administration and Compliance
- Construction Quality Controls
- Construction Scheduling
- Construction Claims Analysis
- Construction Cost Estimates
- Landscaping CEI
- Pavement Preservation Inspection

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