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A Message from Our President

"Smooth seas do not make skillful sailors."

~African Proverb

The chapter is entering into its summer hiatus and planning period where the board and committee chairs will review our strategies and goals of the past 2009-2010 season. Despite the challenges we have faced in this 'new economy', we continue to press on towards achieving our vision of a sustainable community within a generation.

Next, we want to remember that each member of the North Florida chapter is a LEADER and an EDUCATOR. You are an important component of the 'open, collaborative education and leadership' that drives our mission. Our chapter is a resource to our eleven surrounding counties and that resource is you. So, we encourage you to get more involved and share your knowledge. With every unique perspective that is brought to the table, we have the ability to reach out to someone new and inspire change. Even if you are new to green building, your experience and passion brought you here for a reason. Your story can inspire our next new member.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Six Week LEED Study Group
Every Thursday for 6 Weeks,
Starting Sept. 16, Ending
Oct. 21, 2010
5:00 - 7:00 PM

It's not always easy keeping up the motivation, though. With businesses closing their doors, people transitioning, projects seemingly stuck in the mud, and purse straps continually tightening, it's difficult to find the inspiration and hope that we're able to make a difference. Isn't it?

Never mind making a difference, what about finding the time? Or the freedom? Or the capacity? How can I help create a sustainable community within a generation if I can't even find the time to take a lunch break?

How can we make the best use of our time and make the greatest impact?

First, we have to recognize that the US Green Building Council North Florida Chapter is a mission-driven non-profit that strives every day to promote sustainable development and green building through open, collaborative education and leadership. So, every event, program, and workshop we offer should accomplish this. Your participation in these activities will allow you to move one step closer to the vision. This season, we are taking a disciplined approach to prioritization of activity which will ensure that your limited time is spent moving a little closer towards the goal.

Lastly, we understand that even a few, quality moments of volunteering can be the catalyst for great change. So, if you're only able to give an hour a month to participate at a community event, or spent 30 minutes mentoring at a school, remember that the right story told to the right person at the right time may be just what they need to hear. Perhaps someday you'll spend an hour at a high school sharing your experiences working on a green building project. And, perhaps, your story inspires a student to focus on renewable energy research in college, and just perhaps... Well, you see where this is going.

So, how can we make the greatest impact with our limited time? The chapter will provide the events, you provide the leadership, and our community provides the opportunities.

And with all worthy pursuits, the most challenging ones tend to be the most rewarding. Let's face the rough seas together with a sense of purpose, hope, and motivation and we will come out of the storm successful and strong.

For more events & details, check out our website!

www.usgbcnf.org

[Call for Articles and Submissions:](#)

As we continue to expand the content of the chapter newsletter, we encourage chapter members to contribute original, unpublished material for publication. Please submit all material to Emily Crews Carrier at emily.carrier@tlc-eng.com.

USGBC NF Green Run

The First Annual USGBC NF Green Run 5k was held on June 19, 2010 at the University of North Florida – a campus committed to building green. A total of 220 runners, walkers and group teams participated. The route allowed runners to view and learn about some of the LEED-certified and LEED-registered buildings on the campus. A free green building tour was offered after race.

This was an environmentally friendly, low-waste event from the start to the finish line. Any marketing materials were printed on a minimum of 30% recycled paper, and in most cases 100% post consumer recycled chlorine free paper. Race packets were given to participants in reusable canvas tote bags provided by the presenting sponsor Community First Credit Union. Participants also received an organic race t-shirt printed using soy ink by Burro Bags.

An electronics recycling truck was on-site and accepted donations of small used electronic devices. Participants brought used running shoes which were donated to the homeless. Individually bottled water was not used for the race. Even the awards were unique and reusable. Engraved wood hammers were given to 1st and 2nd place finishers in each age category.

This event was made possible by the hard work and dedication of Sarah Boren, USGBCNF Executive Director, the Green Run Committee and a number of volunteers. Committee members included Kim Jowers, Julie Hargrove, Mark Gelfo and Rob Riva. Special thanks to all of our sponsors and volunteers. We hope to see you at next year's Green Run! For more details on the event including fun pictures, testimonials, and sponsors, please visit www.usgbcnf.org/greenrun.



Ellen Leroy-Reed, Mark Gelfo, Rob Riva, Kim Newhouse and Jackie Stephens prepare snacks for the runners



Kim Jowers and Kim Newhouse prepare for registration along with First Place Sports staff



...and we're off



Julie Hargrove crosses the finish line with baby Ty

USGBC NF Green Run



Rob Riva, Kim Jowers, Sonja Curcic and Jackie Stephens take a break after running the race



John Hirabayashi, CEO of Community First Credit Union and Presenting Sponsor of the Green Run Event, and Ellen Leroy-Reed, President of USGBC NF get ready to pass out the awards



Recycling stations were set up for the event to help divert waste to the landfills. Collections were also taken for small electronics, and sneakers for recycling



John Hirabayashi passes out awards

USGBC NF Hosts First LEED Green Associate Webinar

The Education Committee of the USGBC NF Chapter hosted its first webinar in June. The webinar was divided in two parts, geared specifically to help the individual pass the LEED Green Associate Exam. The Committee looks forward to hosting additional webinars in the coming year and would like your feedback on topics of interest. Please send your comments to Ellen Leroy-Reed at ellen.reed@solar-eos.com.

USGBC NF Featured Committee Membership Committee



Sumner Pedigo, Laura Witherington, Beth Dunn and Rondra Bolden

Most of this committee's work happens behind the scenes. We maintain and update the membership list on Lyris, which is used to send emails to members about general USGBC info and Chapter events. As well, we send emails that remind members about their annual Chapter dues and welcome new members to the Chapter. The organizers of events will often provide the Membership Committee with the attendance lists, so we can send information about the Chapter and future events, hoping to attract new members. We are the liaison between USGBC National and members for any problems they may be experiencing; for example, renewing Chapter membership. We also provide info about the renewal process. As well, we obtain Promo Codes from National for the Chapter's Annual Sponsors so they are able to receive their free memberships, which is one of the benefits of being a annual sponsor. Annually, we conduct a survey with the intent of gleaning new ideas and gathering data on how to improve existing programs.

Over the past year, we have called Chapter Members directly, in the hopes of hearing first hand, how we can improve the value of their North Florida Membership. We are always looking for new ways to increase membership and provide more value to the Chapter's members. If anyone is interest in sharing an idea, we would love to hear from them.

Members include: Beth Dunn, Chair, Sumner Pedigo, Rondra Bolden, Laura Witherington, and Eileen LaCivita

USGBC NF 2010-2011 Committee Chairs

Calling all volunteers! Please contact these chairs if you are interested in becoming more involved in serving your chapter.

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Residential Green Building Committee

Wally Conway, wally@gohomepro.com

Sponsorship Committee

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Recent Chapter Events

March Technical Event Green Landscaping and Irrigation Design

Presented by: Allan J. Iosue, Vice President
Connelly & Wicker, Jacksonville
Larry Garrett, President
Garrett Design

Sponsor: Hunter Irrigation

The USGBCNF March Technical Forum event was held at the Stellar Training Room. It was attended by 24 people. Discussion included green landscaping and irrigation design and what are the points associated with landscaping and irrigation, as well as the common landscape plant material that thrive in Northeast Florida. Also methods for design and implementation of a successful LEED project.



June Technical Event Technical event was Light Control & LEED: How Light Control Helps Achieve LEED in New Construction

Presented by: Juan Figueroa, Territory Manager, Lutron

The USGBCNF June Technical Forum event was held at the Stellar Training Room. It was attended by 17 people. Discussion included light controls and LEED. How lighting controls could potentially save up to 60% of that electrical consumption, primarily through Daylighting with electrical and natural light controls.



Navy LEED Plaque Presentation on July 22, 2010



Ellen Leroy-Reed presents LEED Silver plaque to the U.S. Navy for its Naval Air Station Jacksonville 511 Hangar.



Several USGBC NF members attend the ceremony.

Faces of the USGBC North Florida Photo Features



Sumner Pedigo, John Hall, Jim Stege and Will Schaet at the May Master Speakers Luncheon.



David Laffitte, Rondra Bolden and Julie Hargrove at the May Master Speakers Luncheon.



Dennis Guyott, Steve Valdes, Andy Leopard and Scott Royer at the May Master Speakers Luncheon.



Sheryl Vaughn, Wally Conway, and Al and Peggy Tilley at the June Master Speakers Luncheon.



Gerald Versluys presents to the USGBC NF Nassau Committee in June.

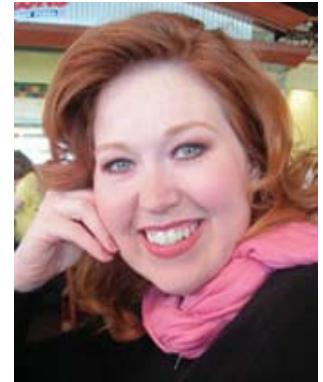


Megan Grier and Shelly Rawls at the USGBC NF June Nassau Committee Presentation.

USGBC NF Announces New Officers for 2010-2011

Ellen Leroy-Reed, President

Ellen Leroy-Reed is President, Dean of Schools of Solar EOS. With over 15 years of experience in business development, training, and public relations, Ms. Leroy-Reed has forged her commitment to sustainability with her business strategy. Through her work with the US Green Building Council as current President of the North Florida Chapter, she has carried the message of green building throughout the country and continues to spread the word about the importance of sustainable communities and green building. Her professional experience includes Project Team Administration on several LEED projects for clients ranging from small business to large businesses, schools, and non-profit organizations.



Mark Gelfo, Vice President

Mark Gelfo is Principal and Division Director for TLC Engineering for Architecture. He has become a local champion of the U.S. Green Building Council's (USGBC) LEED process. He was one of the founding members of the USGBC North Florida Chapter and served two terms as president of the chapter. He currently serves as Education Chair for the chapter and provides leadership in frequent LEED study workshops for professionals seeking accreditation. Mr. Gelfo has been the LEED Administrator on 12 projects that have achieved LEED Certification with the US Green Building Council, and has many more in process.



Kim Newhouse, Secretary

Kim Newhouse is a Senior Facility Manager with Grubb & Ellis Management Services, Inc. She is a LEED Accredited Professional with twenty-five years of facilities experience to include office buildings, universities and airports, with an extensive background in tenant relations, training, sustainability initiatives and policy development, LEED EBOM, APPA guidelines and contract administration.



Tom Goldsbury, Treasurer

Tom Goldsbury is presently the Chief of the Building Inspection Division of the City of Jacksonville (Building Official). He has held this appointed position for over twelve years. He is responsible to ensure that all structures built, modified, repaired in the City of Jacksonville conform to the Florida Building Code (FBC). Prior to, and during this period he managed various design/construction projects for the City.



Additional 2010-2011 Board of Directors

Wayne Dunn, PE, LEED AP BD&C
EW Dunn Developments

Adair Owen, LEED AP BD+C
Elkins Constructors

Robert Riva Esq., LEED AP BD+C
Holland + Knight

Wally Conway, LEED AP
HomePro Inspections

Ben Moore, LEED Green Associate
RS&H

North Florida LEED® Certified Building Highlights

Currently 28 LEED Certified Buildings

22 Commercial

6 Residential

There are more than 40 projects registered!

Navy P-302V Hangar NAS Jacksonville Jacksonville, FL



This new LEED Silver certified project consists of the largest hangar in the Navy's inventory. The project sits on 80 acres, 40 of which were cleared to accommodate this project. Also included in the project is 1.1 million square feet of apron, parking for 20 aircraft, and two 450-foot-long clear span door openings.

LEED Silver certification was difficult to achieve. Some solutions to achieve the goal included:

- Daylight lantern that provides excellent daylight to the hangar interior
- Translucent panels on the both sides of the hangar space, providing excellent illumination of hangar areas without additional lights
- Reflective Roof
- Storm Water Detention
- Increased efficiency in MEP systems
- Sun shades to the south admin space.

City of Jacksonville, Jake M. Godbold City Hall Annex



Renovation of an existing six-story, 60,000 sf retail building built in the early 1900's. Prior to the renovation, the building sat mostly vacant for 30 years. The office space will be utilized by the City of Jacksonville for the Environmental and Compliance Department Director's Office, Environmental Quality Division, Municipal Code and Compliance Division, and the General Employee Pension Office. A large auditorium is on the first floor, and each floor has one or more conference rooms.

- Reduced potable water use by 43%
- 9% more energy efficient than ASHRAE 90.1-2004
- Enhanced commissioning
- Total refrigerant impact is 82 per ton
- 96% of the existing wall, floor and roof elements were reused
- 83% (1,349 tons) of on-site generated construction waste from landfill
- 28% recycled content in building materials
- 26% of all materials used in the building were manufactured and extracted locally, within 500 miles of the project site
- MERV 13 filtration installed in HVAC systems prior to occupancy
- 91% of workstations have individual task lighting
- Installed low VOC carpet

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Employment Directory

An employment directory is available on the usgbcnf.org website. If you would like to post an available position in the sustainable building industry, please email your ad to either Emily Carrier at emily.carrier@tlc-eng.com or Tom Gentry at tomg@ttvarch.com.



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