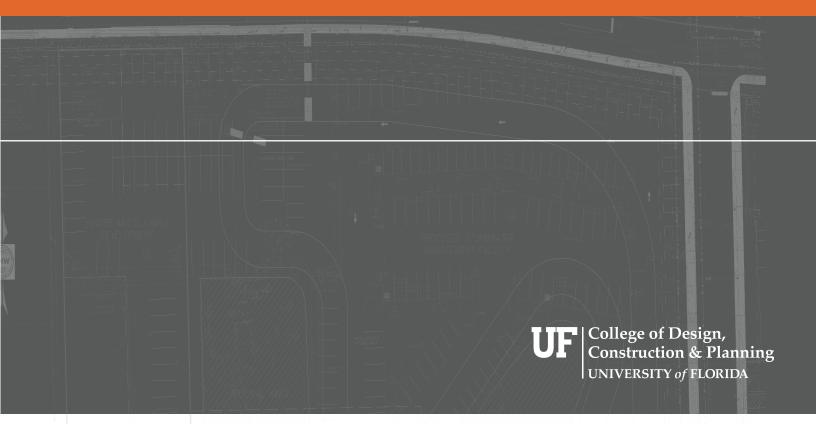
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Upcoming Events - Fall 2017

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August 24	North Central Florida Alumni Club Social
August 29	Fall Welcome Reception
September 7	Northeast Florida Alumni Club Social
September 22	Rinker Career Fair
September 27	West Palm Best Alumni Club Social
October 7	Homecoming / DCP Alumni Tailgate
October 17	Atlanta Alumni Club Golf Tournament
October 20	Tampa Bay Alumni Club Fishing Tournament
October 27	Northeast Florida Alumni Club Golf Tournament
November 17	North Central Florida Alumni Club Clay Shoot
December 15	Graduation Dinner

A Message From ...

Dr. Chimay Anumba, Dean



As we look forward to the start of the 2017/18 academic year, I am pleased to report that we have made very good progress over the last year. We have put in place a new College administration, established several initiatives that are geared towards revitalizing research and creative scholarship, initiated action on improving our facilities while exploring the need for new ones, and enhanced collaboration and coordination be-

tween the schools and departments within the College. These form a firm foundation for continued progress in the coming year and I am looking forward to the new academic year with a great deal of optimism.

As many of you know, the University of Florida is on the verge of launching a new and ambitious fundraising campaign that will help to propel the university to greater levels of preeminence. In preparation for this, we have revitalized the College's advancement team to ensure that the College is well-placed to meet its goals. They will be reaching out to you over the coming weeks and months. I also have undertaken a number of tour stops across Florida and neighboring states, and it was a real pleasure to see some of you at these events. We will continue these tours and I look forward to meeting you at a future event.

The end of June marked the end of Dr. Ries' six-year tenure as Director of the Rinker School and I would like to thank him for his service. I have appointed Dr. Raymond Issa as Interim Director and Dr. Edward Minchin as Interim Associate Director. They will serve for one year during which a search will be conducted for a new Director. They are both committed to advancing the school and I would ask that you give them your maximum support.

I am most grateful for the various ways in which you support the Rinker School, and would ask that you continue to support us, as we seek to strengthen the Rinker School's premier place amongst construction management schools in the country and beyond.

Dr. Robert Ries



Spring 2017 has been another successful semester for the Rinker School. The Rinker School spring graduating class consisted of a total of 72 students: 39 undergraduate students, 30 graduate students and 3 Ph.D. students. The school is proud to announce that for the third consecutive year, 100% of the undergraduate class were employed upon graduation.

Student competition teams continue to

be successful in the Associated Schools of Construction (ASC) competitions. The Virtual Design and Construction (VDC) Team coached by Dr. Raymond Issa placed first at the ASC Region 6 & 7 open competition in Reno, Nevada. Thank you to the VDC Team sponsor DPR Construction. The Roofing competition team coached by Dr. James Sullivan, placed first in the National Roofing Contractors Association's Roofing Industry Alliance for Progress competition held as part of the 2017 International Roofing Expo in Las Vegas. Please join me in congratulating all the students that spend enormous time outside of class to compete and represent the Rinker School.

The Rinker School has always worked closely with alumni and industry to make the Career Fair a success. The Spring 2017 Career Fair brought 95 companies with 213 recruiters to the University of Florida's O'Connell Center. Over 270 students attended and 31 students volunteered and assisted with the Career Fair. Thank you to the companies who attended this spring, and the staff and faculty that help make this event possible.

The Rinker School is undergoing a number of improvements over the summer. The facility updates are made possible by the generous support of its alumni, Alumni Clubs, and friends. The following projects are underway:

- Classroom upgrades: new combination white board/ projection surfaces and second projectors will be installed to improve visibility from all seats in the classrooms

- SLX: New SLX plaque bases will be mounted in the next two weeks and will accommodate plaques up to the year 2039. Thanks to Dr. Walters and SLX students who developed the plan.

- Safety trainer: Two shipping containers are being be repurposed as a hands-on safety trainer. Thanks to Dr. Walters and Dr. Wehle for developing the plans for the trainer, and Nick Salce of Kiewit for technical support.

It has been a privilege to work with dedicated and consummate faculty and staff as well as EXCOM and the Fire and Emergency Sciences external advisory boards as the director of the school. The school has greatly benefited from the hard work and support of alumni and friends. Over the past as director, faculty, staff, and alumni have collaborated to provide a strong foundation and position the school for the future.

BCN Advisory Council Executive Committee



The Executive Committee (EXCOM) exists to support Rinker's pursuit of our vision to be the preeminent institution for construction education and research. The EXCOM met during April in Orlando. The committee had sub-committee meetings, met with the faculty and students in addition to the main EXCOM meeting.

A Message from the EXCOM Chair



Dale R. Hedrick graduated from the University of Florida with a Bachelor of Science in Building Construction from the Rinker School of Building Construction which is now Construction Management. He is a fourth generation general contractor. Born and raised in West Palm Beach, Dale returned to his hometown in 1979 to launch Hedrick Brothers Construction, a privately owned company of which he is Founder & President. Hedrick Brothers Construction provides pre-construction, construction management, general contracting, design-build and virtual design

& construction services. Dale and his wife Cathleen Burk have been married for 28 years and reside in West Palm Beach. They have three sons, Burk (BCN 2013), Parker and Cheney.

Dale's support of the University of Florida includes serving as a member of the Palm Beach County Regional Council for the University of Florida Tomorrow Campaign and of course attending football games. Dale's engagement with the Rinker School is extensive. He is a major donor to the school, has provided fundraising support for new construction equipment, attends the fall and spring career fairs, hosts clay shoots for West Palm Beach Gator BCN Alumni Club, and participates in the South Florida alumni chapter fishing tournament. In 2015, Dale received the University of Florida Rinker Sschool Distinguished Alumnus Award.

As Chairman of EXCOM, Dale's goals for the year include keeping software and hardware current with latest industry standards so that students are experienced with cutting edge technology. This will include working with faculty to provide the greatest amount of exposure to programs and technology. Also, Dale would like to encourage faculty to engage with the construction industry through summer programs and faculty internship programs. Dale is reinforcing the importance of practical "real world" applications for students, as well as faculty, as they transition and work with industry. Lastly, he hopes to promote alumni to engage with the Rinker School in preparing students for the workforce through internships, speaker opportunities and support.

Dale is motivated by an idea that comes from Woodrow Wilson, our 28th president, and hopes it motivates as Alumni of the Rinker School of Construction Management, "Every person has a moral responsibility to support in the Industry they derive their living from."

BCN ADVISORY COUNCIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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2017 Distinguished Alumnus

This award is given annually to a graduate of the School who has graduated a minimum of ten (10) years prior to award. Nominee must have distinguished himself/herself since graduation in a construction field and have demonstrated consistent support of the School since graduation. Nominee's recognition may be on a local, regional, national, or international basis. The award is presented during the Spring College of Design, Construction and Planning Awards Ceremony.



Rob Maphis is Vice President of Operations and COO for The Collage Companies, a commercial general contracting, design-build, construction management and development firm based in Florida. Rob oversees the company's operations and supports the company's business development, pre-construction, construction, and postconstruction services for a variety of projects types including commercial, aviation,

sports, institutional, governmental, and private markets. Since graduating from the University of Florida in 1993, Rob has held an array of positions in the construction industry, including Office Engineer and Estimator, Project Engineer, Project Manager, Operations Manager, Vice President and Branch Manager. He maintains accreditations with a number of organizations, including as a LEED AP BD+C and a Green Globes Professional (GGP). Rob is a Certified General Contractor and has served as the licensed qualifier for numerous projects throughout Central and North Florida. Rob's career includes direct involvement with construction of a variety of public facilities, including numerous school, college/university, transportation, aviation, healthcare, federal and municipal projects.

Rob has been an active volunteer in many community, business and charitable groups. He has been a mentor to numerous students and serves in leadership positions for a variety of volunteer organizations. Rob served an appointment on the Orange County Board of Adjustments and Appeals, which is part of the County's Division of Building Safety. He has been part of the West Orange Chamber of Commerce for over a decade, and currently is the immediate Past Chairman of the organization's Board of Directors. Rob is lifelong Floridian. He and his wife, Suzanne, currently reside in Windermere with their three daughters: Brianna, Alexa and Ava.

The Collage Companies' mission is to build projects that strengthen the foundation and fabric of their community. Since its founding in 1982, the company has accomplished this mission by serving owners in markets that include civic, community, church, country and care. Collage is made up of a team of construction professionals who are recognized leaders in a variety of project delivery methods, including construction management, competitive bid and "turn-key" design-build. www.collage-usa.com

Alumni working together



Left to Right: Bryan Capps (BCN '89), Jason Boffey (BCN '97), Sean Dillon (BCN '92), Marshall McDonald (BCN '12)

The fifteen-lawyer construction law firm Moye, O'Brien, Pickert & Dillon, LLP (MOPD) is based in Central Florida and is home to four alumni of the M.E. Rinker, Sr. School of Construction Management – Sean Dillon, Jason Boffey, Bryan Capps and Marshall McDonald. MOPD was recently shortlisted (along with only four other law firms in the U.S.) for Chambers USA's 2017

Award for Excellence in Construction Law. MOPD has achieved the highest rating for its Construction Practice in "The Client's Guide" published by Chambers & Partners for every year of its publication (2004 – 2017). Additionally, MOPD is one of only fifteen firms (and the only single-office firm) in the entire U.S. that has received a National Ranking for Construction Practice by Chambers & Partners, also for every year of its publication (2009 – 2017). MOPD's single-office model guarantees the consistent, high-quality and creative services expected by our clients.

Joyner Construction, Inc - Millard Joyner (BCN '72), CEO of Joyner Construction, founded the company in 1975. Richard Wagner (BCN '72) then joined the team in 1979 and became a full partner and president in 2000. Most recently, John Sixbey (BCN '97) became the newest officer in 2016 as vice president of commercial construction. Joyner Construction is located in Gainesville, FL.



Left to Right: Rob Maphis (BCN '93) and Mark Newman (MBC '77)

Fellow Gator alumni **Rob Maphis** and **Mark Newman** with the Collage Companies recently completed a project together in Kissimmee, Florida. The two are seen together (left) at the ribbon cutting for Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Multi-Modal Transportation Facility project for SunRail.



Left to Right: Matt Rowe (BCN '95), Doug Valenti (BCN '06), Pat Duffy (BCN '12), Ford Manuel (BCN '12), and Kyle Knoph (BCN '06).

Mike Neal, President and CEO of Kast Construction, is a Rinker graduate (BCN '79) and continues to hire Rinker graduates. Kast Construction has been contracted on a condominium, One St. Petersburg. The project is being run by multiple Rinker School graduates: **Pat Duffy** as Project Manager, **Kyle Knoph** as Superintendent, **Ford Manuel** as Project Manager with

Ceco Concrete Construction, **Matt Rowe** as Project Manager, **Doug Valenti** as Project Manager, and **Peter Van Warner** (BCN '12) Assistant Project Manager.

Alumni in the News



Chris Taylor (BCN '02) founded Moducomm Construction in 2012 and serves as the company's president. The company has acquired major clients in Northeast Florida such as Anheuser-Busch, Zaxby's, the Jacksonville Port Authority, American Bridge and Montova & Associates. Recently, the team at Moducomm Construction completed a 20,000-square-foot office building project and has been praised for finalizing a

fully functional, free-standing restaurant in only 86 days. Within the first three months of 2017, the company was projected to generate more than \$12 million in revenue.



Jacob Thurlow (BCN '02) was named one of Jacksonville's 40 Under 40 by the Jacksonville Business Journal. Jacob joined Haskell in 2003 as an Assistant Project Manager. Since that time Jacob has grown into a leadership role and now serves as a Senior Project Manager in the Federal Division, where he is responsible for the development of major projects. He serves on the board of the SAME Jacksonville Post and ACE Mentor Program where he also volun-

teers. In 2015, Jacob was honored to serve as Haskell's United Way co-chairman, helping the company set a campaign record in contributions.



Andrea Valdes (BCN '14), one of only five women in construction management program at the time, joins West Villages. Andrea joins the company to begin two projects in West Villages and her duties vary while working closely with Director Brad Soule.



Rob Maphis (BCN '93) was appointed to the licensing board and will be representing industry for the State of Florida. Gov. Scott appoints five members to the DBPR Construction Industry Licensing Board.

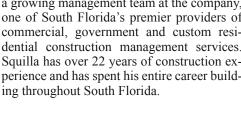


Dr. Bradford L. Sims (MBC '96) was seleceted as Capitol Technology University's eighth president. Formerly chief academic officer and professor at Embry-Riddle University - Worldwide. Dr. Sims has also served as Professor, Dean, Department Chair, Chief Operating Officer, and Chancellor. Dr. Sims will become Capitol's president on 1 June 2017.

Alumni Updates



Eric Squilla (BCN '95) joined Gulf Building LLC as Vice President. His addition is part of a growing management team at the company, one of South Florida's premier providers of commercial, government and custom residential construction management services. Squilla has over 22 years of construction experience and has spent his entire career build-





Michael Foley (BCN '92) has served for 10 years as President and Principal, and Michael has agreed to a five year contract to continue as the President of Royalaire Mechanical Services LLC. RoyalAire will continue to operate out of the Oldsmar office and combined with the strength of Comfort Systems USA. RoyalAire Mechanical Services, Inc. in Olds-

mar Florida was sold as part of the BCH Family of Companies to Comfort Systems USA (Stock Symbol FIX).

Anne Marie Sowder (BCN '99, MBC '07) worked for ten years as project manager in New York City on projects ranging from \$1M-\$400M in value, ranging from museums to office space. She then earned her second degree at the University of Oxford, and then took a position as an Assistant Professor in Construction Management at CUNY City Tech and resides in New York City.



Pat Duffy (BCN '12) started with Baker Construction after graduating from the Rinker School. Later, he worked on projects for Norwegian Cruise Lines and Great Stirrup Cay with Coastal Systems Development. Today, Pat is a Project Manager with Kast Construction. He is currently the youngest Project Manager on Kast Constructions's largest project to

date, One St. Petersburg condominiums, a \$140 million project.



Alumni Updates

Cleland Nelson Weller (BCN '61) recently published "The Overseas Assignment" with Penn Well Publishing, and is the number one in energy publications.

Gary S. Houp (BCN '72) retired from teaching this May with 23 years as a middle/high school math & science teacher in the Florida panhandle. Prior to that, Gary retired from the U.S. Air Force as a Lt. Col. with 22 years. Gary wants to congratulate his former AP Physics student John McTighe who is now a junior at The Rinker School of Construction Management.

Patrick Walsh (BCN '74) is proud to announce his son, Collin Walsh, has been accepted into the collaborative UF Construction Management program with Santa Fe College and will start in the fall.

Earle S. Cooper (BCN '77) Executive Vice President Emeritus of Hawkins Construction, has been elected Chairman of the Morton Plant Mease Healthcare Foundation. He was also elected to the Morton Plant Mease Hospital Board. The Board oversees the management of the 4 community-based hospitals that provides services in more than fifty specialty areas.

Tom Gormley (BCN '80) recently completed his Doctorate in Environmental Engineering at Vanderbilt University. His research is about air quality in operating rooms at different ventilation rates which was published by the American Journal of Infection Control. He is currently an Associate Professor at MTSU and has a consulting company- MC3 for program management, research and expert witness testimony. He is on the Steering Committee for the Guidelines for the Design and Construction of Healthcare Facilities.

Dr. Darrall Henderson (BCN '81) was recently named as the State Director of the Kentucky Procurement Technical Assistance Center. The KYPTAC is a key element in Kentucky's strategy for economic development and exists as part of a broader "funnel" of business development resources for Kentucky businesses.

David Fellows (BCN '84) has been named executive vice president at Moss Construction. Previously, he was the vice president at John Moriarty & Associates.

George A. Biggs (BCN '85) is the President of Biggs Construction Company, Inc.

Mike Kennedy (BCN '86) recently retired from the Office of Inspector General, Palm Beach County, to take up residence in Central Florida. His work there entailed oversight of 38 municipalities as well as the county government for any contracting work let by these public entities.

William Crowley (BCN '92) with Crowley Services, Inc. completed a 2,500 s.f. home designed by Halflants + Pichette Studio for Modern Architecture in Longboat Key, Florida.

Bill Pearson (BCN '94) has recently been promoted to VP of Operations for Parrish McCall Constructors, Inc. With 23 years of experience, his experience ranges from project management, preconstruction, field operations and regional management. His new role will be key to the company's growth and continued high-level service to its valued customers.

Ty Thompson (BCN '96) was named to the 2017 Super Lawvers list by Florida Super Lawyers Magazine and a 2017 Legal Elite by Florida Trend Magazine. Ty is a Florida Board Certified Construction attorney and shareholder in Mills Paskert Divers' Tampa office, where he specializes in construction litigation and transactional matters.

Heather Vallier (BCN '96) is currently employeed with AV Homes and has also recently become a realtor part-time.

Aaron Buttress (BCN '00) has been promoted to Vice President of Construction (VPC) with Current Builders.

Steven Gulas (MBC '00) has been an Estimator for SouthTree, Inc. in Peachtree City, GA since 2013 and has served for the City of Fayetteville's Planning and Zoning from 2015-2017. SouthTree design/build projects include industrial, medical, and commercial.

Ryan Kelley, (BCN '02) has been promoted to Vice President of Construction (VPC) with Current Builders.

Ryan Vostrejs (BCN '02) is president of RYDOM Structures, Inc, and the president of Commercial Finishes, LLC. RY-DOM Structures, Inc. will celebrate ten years in business in January of 2018. Over the course of its tenure, the team has completed award-winning projects such as Oxford Exchange, Jesuit Baseball Stadium, Raymond James Stadium Renovations, USF Marshall Student Center Plaza.

Ryan Tremblay (BCN '04) After 13+ years in the commercial construction industry, Ryan has shifted gears and launched his own full time woodworking company, Tremblay Wood Art, where he specializes in custom furniture and art in Sarasota, Florida. Check out his work at www.tremblaywoodart.com.

Nick Krarup (BCN '06) is a Project Manager with Balfour Beatty, living and working in the Miami Area. Nick has been dedicated to the Rinker School through his local BCN Regional Club and serving as the chair of the South Florida Fishing Tournament for two years.

Ryan Anderson (BCN '06) has recently accepted a Senior Estimator/Project Manager position with BCBE Construction, LLC in Naples, FL. BCBE is well known in Southwest Florida for providing over 40 years of experience with custom homes, high rise condominium and remodeling projects from Naples to St. Pete. Ryan, his wife Stephany and daughter Scarlett are excited to be back home in Florida.

Angie (Zych) VandenBerg (BCN '09) After graduating, Angie worked as a project engineer for a Tampa-based general contractor before deciding to head back to school to obtain her law degree from Stetson University College of Law. Angie is currently an attorney with the construction focused law firm of Moyer Law Group in St. Petersburg. She primarily practices in the area of construction law representing developers, contractors, subcontractors, and sureties throughout the state of Florida.

P.J. Riemer (BCN '13) with Bowers and Kubota Consulting recently began the second group of stations for the Honolulu Rail Transit Project on Oahu. This will be the first passenger rail in Hawaii and the first driverless trains in the USA. 7

Gator100

Congratulations to the 20 DCP Alumni Companies that made the second annual Gator100, the list of the top 100 fastest-growing, Gator-owned or Gator-led businesses in the world. The Gator100, which recognizes and celebrates the achievements of leading UF alumni entrepreneurs, is produced by UF and the Entrepreneurship & Innovation Center at the Warrington College of Business.

Before the Gator100 events, the Rinker alumni participated in a panel session with Rinker students about entrepreneurship. The students thoroughly enjoyed asking questions and learning about the journey of each alum. The Rinker School was well represented. Our Rinker Alumni Companies were:

Advantage Inspection Robert Park (BCN '86)

BEA Architects, Inc. Bruno Ramos

Boyer Building Corporation Gary Boyer (BCN '88)

Cabinets.com Chris Larson

Carlton Construction, Inc. Matthew Carlton (BCN '02)

DeAngelis Diamond John DeAngelis (BCN '91) David Diamond (BCN '85)

e-Builder Jon Antevy (MBC '94) **Emerald C's Development, Inc.** Brittany Culbreth (BCN '06)

Hall Architects Gregory Hall

High Mark Construction, LLC Tom Harl (BCN '98) Brian Giddens (BCN '04)

Impactwindows.com Jack Miller

InTec Louie Wise, III (BCN '94)

J. Raymond Construction Corp. John Sofarelli, Sr. (BCN '81)

KAST Construction Company Michael Neal (BCN '79)



Kaufman Lynn Michael Kaufman (BCN '81)

Miller Construction Company Harley Miller (BCN '69) Thomas J. Miller (BCN '65) Brian Sudduth (BCN '00)

Moss & Associates, LLC Scott Moss (BCN '96) Brett Atkinson (BCN '93)

NuJak Companies, Inc. Frank Kendrick (BCN '89)

Primus Builders, Inc. Erik Gunderson (BCN '94)

RB Marks Construction, Inc. Russell Cammack (BCN '96) Mark Zaremskas (BCN '96)





Gator 100 Recipients join Rinker Students for panel discussion and reception.





BCN PhD graduates at the ASC Dinner.



2016 - 2017 Capstone Judges Left to Right: Matt Brown (The Nassal Company), Miles Albertson (UF Planning, Design & Construction), Chris Trowell (BBI Construction), and Lem Sharp (Sharp Properties)



Kim Stanley with alumnus Dr. Kevin Grosskopf.

BCN Alumni Regional Club Updates

Atlanta Club

The Atlanta Alumni Club hosted an Alumni Social and Networking Event at the Buckhead Club on Wednesday, March 15th. The event brought alumni and individuals from industry in Atlanta together to discuss the future endeavors of the Rinker School. Dr. Ries gave a presentation on the Rinker School and updated alumni on student competition teams, changes to facilities and gave an update on the Atlanta Golf Tournament.







Dr. Ries giving presentation to the Atlanta Alumni Club.

Save the Date

Atlanta Alumni Club Golf Tournament 17 October 2017 The River Club, Suwanee, Georgia Tee Off at 11:30

Central Florida Club

The Central Florida Gator BCN Club recently hosted its 9th Annual Golf Tournament on April 7th at the Orange County National Golf Center and Lodge in Winter Garden, FL. This event, which always sets the bar in terms of sponsorships, player turnout, and overall experience, continued the trend again this year with 56 company sponsorships, 200 players, and over \$52,000 raised for the Rinker School. Congratulations to the wining team from J. Raymond Construction which included John Sofarelli, Jay Brown, Paul Graham, and Professor Michael Cook.

The club board members would like to extend a special thanks

to the Rinker faculty and staff for their support, all of the sponsor companies who continue to donate year after year, and each of the board member companies for supporting our members in their commitment to giving back to the school that has given us so much in the past. The construction industry in the Central Florida community is stronger than ever, and we look forward to bringing more bright young Rinker graduates into this growing community. Facebook https://www.facebook.com/GatorBCNClubCFL/.

Central Florida Gator BCN Alumni Club hosted its 3rd Annual Fishing Tournament on 9 June 2017 (see Fall 2017 Issue).









South Florida Club

The South Florida Gator BCN Alumni Club held a Networking Social on March 23rd at the Islamorada Fish Company at Bass Pro Shops & Outdoor World. The goal of these socials is to continue to raise funds for the club and the Rinker School. These events include raffles that raised money to continue to support. Thank you to the sponsors of the spring social and your continued support of



Left to Right: Harley Miller (BCN '69), Steve Palmer (BCN '79) and Brian Sudduth (BCN '00).



Left to Right: Marcus Niceley, Nick Krarup (BCN '06), Mike Carlin (BCN '89), and Brett Atkinson (BCN '93).

the Rinker School: Balfour Beatty, Coastal, Current Builders, Gulf Building, The Marker Group, Miller Construction Company, and Stiles.

South Florida Gator BCN Alumni Club hosted its 8th Annual Fishing Tournament on 16 June 2017. (see Fall 2017 Issue).



West Palm Beach Club

The West Palm Beach Gator BCN Alumni Club hosted its 7th Annual Clay Shoot on 11 March 2017. The tournament was organized by Hedrick Brothers Construction and held at the South Florida Shooting Club in Palm City. The clay shoot raises funds through sponsorships and is proud to announce that the club was able to donate over \$53,000 to the Rinker School. Thank you to all who donated and helped make the 7th Annual Clay Shoot a success.









Save the Date

West Palm Beach Alumni Club Social 27 September 2017 Bradley's Downtown

West Palm Beach Alumni Club Golf Tournament 3 November 2017 PGA National

West Palm Beach Alumni Club Clay Shoot 3 March 2018 South Florida Shooting Club

Tampa Bay Club

The 12th Annual Golf Fundraiser from The Tampa Bay BCN Gators was hosted again by the Lake Jovita Golf and Country Club in Dade City on Thursday, 30 March 2017. The Directors of the Tampa Alumni Group are proud to announce a net return \$35,300 to the Rinker School. Director Robert Ries, Professor Mike Cook and Kim Stanley were part of the Gainesville contingent at this outing and a special thank you goes to Rinker's Sara Ann Green for her active managing effort.

Each year, Tampa Bay Area businesses, BCN Alumni, Friends of the Rinker School and the University of Florida and the Directors of the Tampa Bay BCN Gators donate their time and money to continue this traditional Spring golf outing and they are recognized here for that commitment.

The teams from Power Design #1, Devonshire Custom Homes and Batson-Cook took the trophies and prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place respectively. Jake Nellis and Leigh Lilla won the Long Drive Contests; Greg Thornton was the Closest to the Pin winner and Brady Harris won the Putting Contest. Jay Azzarelli took home half of the 50/50 Raffle (\$420.) and Matt Singleton was the lone winner of \$430 from the Bucket of Cash.

The success of this event happens with steady annual support. This year was no different and Major Sponsors (many are repeats) included Awards Reception Sponsor, Pat Walsh's Glory Days Grille; The Hole In One Contest by United Rentals; The Putting Contest by Power Design; The Beverage Cart Sponsors Zurich Surety, The Raynor Group, RIPA & Associates and Mill-Rite Woodworking Co.; and The Closest to the Pin Contest by the Gilbane Building Company. New Age Reprographics provided all of our Banners and Signage.

The raffle items provided each year are a great resource to the successful outcome each year and the Tampa Group gives special thanks and acknowledgement to the businesses and golf venues that participated including Green Links Golf Resort in Naples Florida, Lake Jovita Golf and Country Club, St. Petersburg Country Club, Isla Del Sol Country Club, Innisbrook Golf Resort, The Mark Bostic Golf Course, Ram Tool and Supply, Home Depot and two flat screen TV's from Clark Dietrich.



1st Place Team, Power Design





The Tampa Bay BCN Gators held the 9th Annual Inshore Fishing Tournament on Friday October 21st at Hula Bay in Tampa. The participation in the tournament again exceeded all expectations with a total of 72 boats fishing! Captain Mike Anderson of the Reel Animals Fishing Show saturated the bay with talent as he provided 60 professional guides for the tournament. He also confirmed that this event is now the largest of its kind in the bay area! The event was a tremendous success in raising \$30k for the Rinker School, plus another \$14k to The Make-a-Wish Foundation.

The fishing was hit or miss most of the day, but over 60% of the teams qualified for prizes. Here's the list of tournament winners: 1st Place – BCN Student Boat – Team Capt. Dr. Walters

- 38.75" Snook
- 30.5" Redfish
- 22" Mackerel

2nd Place – JE Charlotte Construction – Team Capt. Jeff Charlotte

- 36" Snook
- 31" Redfish
- 23.5" Mackerel

3rd Place - Kast Construction - Team Capt. Peter Van Warner

- 27.5" Snook
- 29" Redfish
- 31" Cobia

Thank you to all of this year's sponsors for helping make this tournament the best in the area.

Sponsors this year included Kast Construction, Waste Management, Erwin Electric, JE Dunn Construction, Gilbane Company, Yellowstone Landscaping, Batson-Cook Company, The PHM Group, RoyalAire Mechanical, The Raynor Group, Cemex, Hennessey Construction, Trekker CE, GS Equipment, Ferguson Enterprises, Preferred Materials, Tampa Bay Trane, Reno Construction, Resource Flooring, Borrell Electric, Angle & Schmid, McIntyre Elwell & Strammer, Clark Construction, Pinacle Floor Covering, and Springer Peterson.



Tampa Bay Alumni Club Fishing Tournament 20 October 2017 Hula Bay Club

BCN Alumni Regional Club Updates

Northeast Florida Club

Save the Date

Northeast Florida Alumni Club Social 7 September 2017 BlackFinn American Grille

Northeast Florida Alumni Club Golf Tournament 27 October 2017 Deercreek Country Club

Southwest Florida Club

The Southwest Florida Alumni Club will be hosting their 8th Annual Fishing Tournament on 22 July 2017 at Tavern on the Bay at Bay Front in Naples, Florida. There will also be a Captain's Dinner the evening before at Tavern on the Bay. The tournament currently has 17 boats registered to fish and proves to be, yet another, successful event. Thank you to all of our sponsors and those that have volunteered their time.

The 8th Annual Fishing Tournament will be reported in the Fall 2017 Issue.

North Central Florida Club

The North Central Florida Gator BCN Alumni Club hosted a spring social on 15 February 2017 at the Swamp Restaurant in Gainesville, FL. Dr. Robert Ries, with the Rinker School, along with Seth Watts, Development Director for the College of Design, Construction and Planning (DCP), gave a presentation on the up-



Miles Albertson gives a presentation on UF procurement prospects.



Left to Right: Seth Watts, Domenic Scorpio, Miles Albertson, and Dr. Robert Ries.

Industry Focus Group



The Rinker School hosted the Spring 2017 Industry Focus Group on 31 January 2017. The goal of the focus group is to have Industry Course Reviews with the hope to improve student learning and their transition into industry. The focus group was led

by Dr. James Sullivan, Director of Undergraduate Programs. Dr. Sullivan presented the Student Learning Outcomes (SLO) from various surveys and reports, and later, the focus group resumed to brainstorm, suggest improvements and purpose a process and implementation for improvements.

coming campaign for the University of Florida and the new campaign for DCP. Miles Albertson, UF Planning, Design and Construction gave a presentation on the goals for the club including fundraising and events.

Save the Date



Spring 2017 Career Fair

The Spring 2017 Career Fair was another major success for the Rinker School. This Career Fair brought 90 different companies and roughly 500 students to the Stephen C. O'Connell Center.

Thank you to all who were able to attend this past spring and we hope to see you in the Fall.







Spring 2017 Welcome Reception

The Spring 2017 Welcome Reception took place on January 18th in the Charles Perry Yard. We welcomed 45 new students to the UF Rinker School.







Thank you to our Spring 2017 Welcome Reception sponsor, Holder.

Fall 2017 Homecoming

7 October 2017

10:00 a.m. Construction Hall of Fame Induction 11:00 a.m. DCP Homecoming Tailgate

Univeristy of Florida vs. LSU



DCP Lecture Series

On 31 March 2017, the College of Design, Construction & Planning hosted a series of lectures that consisted of two parts: Women in Leadership and Gators Planning for Tomorrow. Associate Deans, Drs. Abdol Chini and Meg Portillo, were the moderators for these lectures.

Part I - Women in Leadership speakers

Stacey Barton, Vice President, Haskell (BCN '91)

Kristin Gray, Business Development, Turner Construction Company (BCN '09, MBC '10)

Michelle Forte-Young, President & Owner, Forte-Young Inc. (BDES '95, MBC '97)

Rebecca Smith, President & Owner, AD Morgan (BDES '82, MBC ;87)

Nancy Juneau, Owner, Juneau Construction, Major Donor Lauren Permuy, VP of Business Development, Power Design (BCN '07)



Spring 2017 Graduation Dinner

The Spring 2017 Graduation Dinner took place on April 21st at The Florida Museum of Natural History. This year UF Rinker School was proud to celebrate with our 61 graduates.











Thank you to our Spring 2017 Graduation Dinner sponsor, Balfour Beatty.

Brittany Culbreth, President, Emerald C's Development (BCN '06)

Part II – Gators Planning for Tomorrow Giving Back

- Mentoring the next generation of students
- · Giving back to next generation

Travis Kolbjornsen, Disney FAM (BCN '07) Rob Maphis, The Collage Companies (BCN '93) Dale Hedrick, Hedrick Brothers (BCN '80) Kevin White, CHW (BLAE '02)

Strategically planning your Career Tim Johnson, retired (Disney, Holder, & more) (BCN '71)



CROP Program

The College Reach-Out Program (CROP) was "created in 1983 (FS 1007.34) to increase the number of underrepresented students in grade 6-12, who upon high school graduation, are admitted and successfully complete a postsecondary program." The CROP program brought students ranging from grades 6-12 to the Rinker School to learn about new technologies, construction management and LEED certification. The Rinker School had the opportunity on four separate occasions to work with CROP students. Dr. Ravi Srinivasan presented his research and projects on LEED certification, Dr. Masoud Gheisari presented his research on the use of drones in construction and the potential benefits to using drones. Finally, Nathan Blinn, PhD Candidate and Graduate Research Assistant, presented on his research in the Center for Advanced Construction Information Modeling (CACIM) on Virtual Design and Construction (VDC) and Building Information Modeling (BIM). He shared with the CROP students the research and future technology available to them in the construction industry as well as the technology that Rinker students are exposed to and research every day. Furthermore, Nathan spoke to them about the opportunities available to them in the construction industry, and the wide range of construction study and research areas they could be a part of at the Rinker School.





Dr. Gheisari presenting to of drones.

Rinker Symposium

The 19th Rinker Symposium on the State of the Art of Modular Construction was held on 4-5 May 2017 at the University of Florida and featured speakers and panels that addressed the ongoing shift from site-built construction to the manufacturing of building elements in factories with on-site field assembly. Over 120 attendees heard presentations from 16 speakers. Sunny Wang, CEO of Broad Industries, spoke about the enormous factories that his company has created in China that manufacture entire floors of building that can be rapidly assembled at an unprecedented rate. Progress in the US was described by Charlie Kaplan from GLUCK+ via case studies of a multi-story residential project in New York and a charter school in New Jersey. The use of MEP distribution racks and their assembly off-site by multi-trade prefabrication subcontractors was covered by Kevin Labrecque of Harper Building Systems. Mohammad Al-Hussein from the University of Alberta spoke about the technological innovations in construction prefabrication and Megan Kreiger from the US Army Corps of Engineers Construction Engineering Laboratory (CERL) provided an overview of the role of 3D printing in modular construction. The Symposium was organized by Charles Kibert, Director of the Powell Center for Construction and Environment with assistance from the Powell Center graduate students, led by Shabnam Monadizadeh.

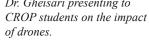


Dr. Charles Kibert with students and visiting lecturers at the Rinker Symposum.



Dr. Abdol Chini giving a presentation at the Rinker Symposium.







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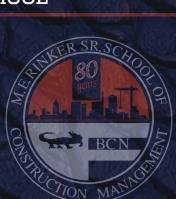
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Guest Lectures

BCN 1001

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John Marshall and Alden Jones, JE Dunn, give guest lecture.

BCN3255 Spring 2017

Matthew S. Vanture, Whiting-Turner Kris Lengieza, Stiles Construction

BCN4252 Spring 2017

Kris Lengieza, Stiles Construction David Epps, Winter Construction Gannon Wilder, PARACOSM Damon Allen, Adjunct Professor at Rinker School **BCN 4510** Nick Nodae, Viega Jordy Cassedy, Victaulic Jim Tharp, Tharp Plumbing Tony Chaves, Tharp Plumbing Joe Masseo, UF Physical Plant

Field Trips

The Spring 2017 Miami Field Trip invited 20 students to visit current projects sponsored by Balfour Beaty, Moss Construction, Stiles and Miller Construction. The students arrived Thursday, April 6th, for a Balfour Beatty site tour led by Nick Krarup, Project Manager. That same day, the students then visited Moss Construction project *(not pictured)*. Balfour Beatty, Miller Construction, Moss and Stiles hosted a social for students that night. The students had the opportunity to meet alumni and to discuss current projects and industry trends. On Friday April 7th, students arrived at Miller Construction site in Ft. Lauderdale. The students last vist before returning to campus was the Stiles Paramount project. Thank you to industry for your support.



Left: Balfour Beatty Site



Above: Miller Construction Site



Above: Stiles Site

Student Activites









Left and Bottom: The Equipment Rodeo for Dr. Oppenheim's BCN 1001 class was supported by Kiewit and Ring Power. David Anderson (Kiewit Corporation) and Russell Dingman and Tyler Hood (Ring Power) attended the event and helped with machine operations.



The National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) sponsored the International Builders Show (IBS) in Orlando, Florida from 10 - 12January 2017. Due to a generous donation from WCI Construction, 28 students from several

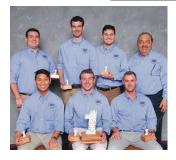
BCN classes were able to attend a day of the conference. The attendees had the opportunity to partake in educational courses, tour one of the largest home construction showrooms, and watch as colleges competed in the Residential Construction Management Competition (RCMC). Since the International Sustainable Development class was invited to attend, in addition to BCN students there were participants from Architecture, Urban Planning, Interior Design, and Sustainability in the Built Environment. Following the event, many of the students commented on the impressive exhibits by vendors and their new enthusiasm for the residential construction industry.



Left: Dr. Sullivan's BCN 3224 Construction Techniques Class gives back to the community by participating in the Rebuild Project.



Student Activites



Left to Right, Back: Nicholas Gonzalez, Nathan Andrea, Emilio Quintana. Front: Triston Lee, Kyle Knauer, Jordan Jones, and Dr. Raymond Issa. (Not Pictured: Nathan Blinn, Associate Coach, and Ethan Turner and Clemens Zobel, Alternates.)

The Rinker School VDC Competition team traveled to Reno, NV in February of 2017 to participate in a day long, national competition

in Virtual Design and Construction. This national competition challenges students, from Universities across the country, to leverage a wide range of VDC technologies in the development of solutions to real-world construction scenarios. Training began early September of 2016, meeting weekly to learn new VDC skills and expand their knowledge of construction processes in general. During training the team had the several opportunities to interact with DPR construction who sponsored the team and provided mentorship and training throughout the year through several on campus visits to help prepare the team in the months leading up to the competition. The team was able to visit a DPR jobsite and worked with industry professionals to hone their skill set ranging from 3D coordination to estimating. The partnership between DPR, specifically Michael Boykin (2014, 2015 VDC Teams) who took the lead on coordinating DPRs involvement, and the VDC Team was crucial to the team's success.

Florida Days

Florida Days is a program designed for newly admitted students who have not yet made their decision. The Rinker School attended these series of events hosted by the University of Florida for newly admitted students. Florida Days is a program that invites the newly admitted Gators and one family member to come and experience UF. These students are still in the process of making their decision on their next steps, and the University of Florida hopes to reveal all that the University has to offer. Our undergraduate advisor, Sallie Schattner, represented the Rinker School at Florida Days.



Sallie Schattner with Alberta at Florida Days.



Left to Right: Rob Springer (EX-COM Member), Forrest Wilson, Will Foster, Schaffer Weeks, and Caleb Stauss.

Spring 2017 Roof Competition Team, once again, placed first at our annual National Roofing Convention in Vegas.

ABC Student Golf Tournament

Thank you to this year's tournament sponsor Brasfield & Gorrie. This year we had 21 Teams four-man teams compete in the tournament. The ABC Student Committee was run by Melissa Morgan, Jordan Jones, Jeff Short, Maria Maldonado, Scarlet Perez and Aaron Cobb. Congratulations on another successful year!



World Sustainable Built Environment Conference



Concerned with the built environment, graduate students of the Rinker School have recently received a "Honourable Mention" in the WSBE17 Hong Kong - International Youth Competition that aimed to invite imaginative ideas, projects and action plans under the

Conference theme "Transforming Our Built Environment through Innovation and Integration: Putting Ideas into Action". The group of students designed a system to cultivate microalgae in modular components at the Depot Park in Gainesville, Florida. The project: Biobridge - Rethinking Urban Space by Using Microalgae was formed by students: Ade Fadli, Andriel Evandro Fenner, Hamed Hakim, Hashem Izadi Moud, Mohamad Ahmadzade Razkenari, Ruan Santos de Oliveira, and overseen by Dr. Charles Kibert. The project goal was to purify the water, produce clean energy from biomass, reduce CO2 emissions from the nearby power plant, create local jobs, and educate the community about the realities of climate change. http://wsbe17hongkong.hk/iyc



Group picture of CMAA scholarship winners presented by Scott Foss-Kilburn, CMAA Florida Board Member.

Left to Right: John Farese (\$1000), Kyle Larsen(\$1500), Frank Portlock (\$1000), Mr. Foss-Kilburn, and Schaffer Weeks (\$1000).

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The Rinker School has a limited budget, and there are many activities and items for which we could certainly use your financial assistance. In return for your underwriting of these activities/items, we will provide appropriate publicity regarding your support.

For example, in the case of events, we would be pleased to have a company representative attend the event and say a few words on behalf of your firm. For the Newsletter, we would include prominent credit on the back page of the Newsletter.

The following is a list of events and the cost for sponsorship:

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Orange & Blueprints Newsletter	\$8,000	Balfour Beatty + PCL Construction	Diligent Services LLC		
SPRING					
Welcome Reception	\$6,500	Juneau Construction	Holder Construction	Brasfield & Gorrie	DeAngelis Diamond
Graduation Dinner	\$8,500		Balfour Beatty	Baker Concrete	
Orange & Blueprints Newsletter	\$8,000	Balfour Beatty + PCL Construction	Balfour Beatty + PCL Construction		
COMPETITION TEAMS					
FALL					
ASC Regional Concrete	\$7,500	Baker Concrete	Baker Concrete	Baker Concrete	Baker Concrete
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ASC Regional Design-Build	\$7,500	Haskell Company	Haskell Company	Haskell Company	Haskell Company
ASC Regional Heavy Construction	\$7,500	Nelson Construction	Nelson Construction	Nelson Construction	Nelson Construction
DBIA National Design-Build	\$7,500	Stellar	Stellar	Stellar	Stellar
SPRING					
ASC Open Concrete	\$7,500	Baker Concrete	Baker Concrete	Baker Concrete	Baker Concrete
ASC Open LEED	\$7,500	Hedrick Brothers Construction	Current Builders	Hedrick Brothers	
ASC Open Virtual Design and Con- struction (VDC)	\$10,000	DPR	DPR	DPR	DPR
ABC National Construction Manage- ment	\$7,500	Balfour Beatty	Balfour Beatty	Balfour Beatty	Balfour Beatty
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Faculty & Staff News



Dr. Edward Minchin returned in August from a year serving as Visiting Scholar at Northeastern University in Boston. Since leaving for that assignment, Dr. Minchin had his second book, "Optimizing Program Delivery Methods" published by the Transportation Research Board of the National Academies, Washington, DC. He also au-

thored chapters for two different books, "Design Management of Infrastructure Projects: A Comparative Case Study Analysis of Design-Build and Construction Manager / General Contractor Projects in the US", Chapter 6 in the book New Forms of Procurement: Public Private Partnerships and Relational Contracting in the 21st Century, published by Routledge/Taylor and Francis; and "Project delivery systems and innovation: The case of US road building", Chapter 12 in the book Con-struction Innovation, published by Blackwell Publishing, Ltd WILEY. Dr. Minchin also wrote an article entitled "Design Management Practices for Transportation Construction Projects Using Design-Build and Construction Manager / General Contractor Project Delivery", published in Transportation Research News by the Transportation Research Board, Washington, DC. Dr. Minchin was named an Outstanding Reviewer, an Award for Excellence presented annually by the Emerald Literati Network, Emerald Group Publishing Limited, Bingley, United Kingdom. He has also served on international technical and organizing committees for three international construction conferences: The First Europe - Mediterranean Structural Engineering and Construction Conference, Istanbul, Turkey; the First International Conference for Sustainable Development and Management, Hong Kong; and the Ninth International Structural Engineering and Construction Conference, Valencia, Spain.



Andrew Wehle received a certificate for his highly cited paper in the *Journal of Safety Science*, "Leading indicators of construction safety performance," published in 2013 is one of the most highly cited papers during 2014, 2015 and up until June 2016.



Dr. Masoud Gheisari's article on Unmanned Aerial Systems for Safety Inspection of Construction Jobsites was featured in Engineering News-Record for a special section on safety.



Dr. Ravi Srinivasan was awarded the Mentor/Teacher of the Year Award for the College of Design, Construction and Planning on 6 April 2017. In addition, Dr. Srinivasan received the University of Florida Term Professorship, and received research awards from Walt Disney World for roofing thermal analysis, the National Research Council (NRC) of Canada on the

impact of thermal bridging on climate resilient roofs, and the UF - City of Gainesville Research Award to develop an urban energy model for smart city informatics. He was also a finalist for the Energy Project of the Year Award where he presented the results of his project, entitled "Energy Modeling Project for the Development of Energy Performance Levels in Buildings in the Republic of South Africa." Dr. Srinivasan worked on this project with Howard Harris (SP Energy) and Bipin Shah (WinBuild).



Benita Harrison is a Tampa, FL native. In 2011, Benita moved to Gainesville to attend the University of Florida where she received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology. Ms. Harrison started working at the university during undergrad as a student grant assistant in the Dean's Office at the College of Public Health and Health Professions. Upon graduation she was able to transfer to a fulltime position as an

administrative support assistant in the College of Public Health and Health Professions Dean's Office assisting Dean Perri. As of February 2017, Benita has worked in the Rinker School as an administrative specialist where she assists the director and manages travel, among other duties.



Maggie Croushore joined the Rinker School in May 2017. Maggie was raised in Gainesville, FL and is a life-long Gator. She earned a dual degree from Auburn University in Art History and Spanish, and later attended the University of Florida for her masters. She previously worked in development and event management with the Sebastian Ferrero Foundation in Gainesville. At Rinker, Maggie

will be working with the EXCOM and alumni relations, career placement as well as doing marketing for the school.

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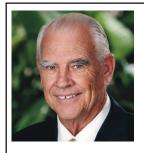
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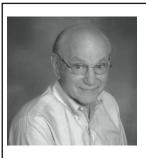
Wayne B. Goff (BCN '63) became Charlotte County's first State Certified Class "A" general contractor. He graduated from the University of Florida, College of Planning, Design, and Construction in 1963 after which he began his seven year career with E. I. DuPont. Wayne returned home to his birthplace of Charlotte County, Florida in 1970 as Builder/Developer with Punta Gorda Isles, Inc. In 1984,

he established Goff Construction, Inc. and later, Church Growth & Building Consultants. He donated his services as general contractor for many area churches, the Visual Arts Center of Punta Gorda, and Habitat for Humanity Punta Gorda. Prior to his death he donated his services for the construction of the Southwest Florida Vietnam Memorial Wall in Punta Gorda and the Punta Gorda History Center. Mr. Goff was instrumental in advancing Port Charlotte "U", an adult education school for retired residents, into the Cultural Center of Charlotte County as it is today. He faithfully served with First Baptist Churches of Punta Gorda and Port Charlotte, the Peace River Baptist Association, the Florida Baptist Convention, the Southern Baptist Convention, the Economic Development Council, the Punta Gorda Rotary Club, the Englewood Area Historical Museum, Charlotte High School Boosters, and Tidewell Hospice. In 2013, he was inducted into the University of Florida's Grand Guard Society. He is greatly missed by his wife of 56 years, Donna; son, Keith A. Goff; daughters, Karen (Joey) Ford and Karla (David) Goff Kreick; grandsons, Jensen Desguin and Connor Ford.



Jack Lynn Webb (BCN '58) passed away on Tuesday, July 19, 2016 at his residence. Jack was a native of Jasper, Florida, his family settling in Hamilton County in 1821. He moved to Ocklawaha during high school, where his family owned and operated Webb's Restaurant for many years. Jack went to the University of Florida where he played

football. After his freshman year, he joined the United Stated Marine Corps and served during the Korean Conflict. After being discharged, he went back to UF and finished his degree in 1958 with a Bachelor's in Building Construction. He worked in the building industry in Jacksonville, becoming the largest residential home builder in Duvall County during the 1970's. After retiring from the building industry, he transitioned to a successful orange grove and cattle operation. He was a member of the Belleview Masonic Lodge #95, the Scottish Rite, Moroccan Shrine Temple, and the Ocala Elks Club. He was preceded in death by his wife, Fredericka Boyer Webb. Survivors include his daughters, Susan Webb of Shaker Heights, OH, Elizabeth Webb (William Twyford) of Winter Haven, FL, Nancy Abshier (Edward) of East Lake Weir, FL, Esther Strockbine (William) of East Lake Weir, FL, and Lorena Caruthers, of Wildwood, FL; sister, Joanne Nelson of Pompano, FL; grandchildren, Lorena Walker, William Twyford, Jr., Jackson Abshier, Jack Twyford, Emma Twyford, Fredericka Caruthers, and Eliza Strockbine.



"Bernie" Martins (BCN '62) suddenly passed on June 2, 2016. Bernie was born April 11, 1937 in Ossining, NY to Bernard and Josephine Martins Sr. Mr. Martins served in the US Army Reserve from 1959-1968, and was avid fisherman who loved Florida's Nature Coast. He graduated from the University of Florida, School of Construction in 1962. Shortly after, he was employed

by General Electric at the Kennedy Space Center and participated in both the Apollo 8 and the Apollo 11 projects till 1969. He later relocated to the Florida West coast. As a FL General Contractor, he was an accomplished Builder/Developer since 1970. He retired from the Construction industry in 2012. Mr. Martins is survived by his wife Nancy (nee Giuliani), brother Anthony Martins, nephews Jeff (Kelly) Heath, Thomas Martins and niece Jenifer (Merrick) Cohn, numerous grand nieces and nephews, three stepsons; Michael Manfredi, John (Jessica) Manfredi, Paul (Lisa) Manfredi and six grandchildren.



Retired Lt. Col. C.A. 'Hap' Veley, Jr. (BCN '51) passed away peacefully on May 14, 2017 at Harbor Chase Assisted Living in Gainesville. He was born on August 13, 1929 to Corydon and Janet Veley in Sanford, Florida. In 1949 he was initiated into the Kappa Alpha Order and graduated from the University of Florida 1951 with a degree in Building

Construction. Upon graduation he got a job with the Army Corp of Engineers in Jacksonville, but was drafted into the US Army in 1952. Served in the Korean War 1952-53. In 1953 he graduated from Officers Candidate School, first in his class and was stationed in Okinawa 1954-56. In 1960 he graduated from Texas A&M with a degree in Civil Engineering. Went to Advanced Engineer School at the Pentagon in Washington DC and then to New Delhi, India where he was a Military Attaché at the American Embassy 1964-67. Served in the Vietnam War 1968-69. Was a Professor of Military Science with the UF ROTC 1969-73. While at UF he was the Faculty Advisor and Alumni Advisor for the Kappa Alpha Fraternity. Among his medals are the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service, two Air Medals and Vietnam Cross of Gallantry. After retirement he purchased Central Builder Supplies of Gainesville, Inc, where he worked full time until he was 85. In 2005 he was inducted into the Kappa Alpha Court of Honor. In 2009 he was inducted into Sigma Lambda Chi, the construction honor society at the UF ME Rinker School of Building Construction. He was preceded in death by his wife of 65 years, Arena Veley and his brother Kelly Veley. He is survived by his brother Hugh John Veley, Lake Placid, son Cory Veley and wife Debbie, daughter Debbie McMonigle and husband Mark, three grandchildren, Chip Veley, Sandy Clarke and Haidee Brannan, two great granddaughters Riley Brannan and Brinleigh Clarke, and many dear nieces and nephews and their families.

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