

# QUARTERLY BRANCH REPORT TO SECTION OCT 2014 – DEC 2014 10 January 2015 | Miami, Florida

# Palm Beach Branch

# **Officers**

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Social Committee	Fattoush Jafar, P.E., Palm Beach County Samantha Reilly, Wantman Group	
Web Master	Vamsi Kotta, RADISE International	

#### Branch Meetings

<u>Date</u> 10/14/14	<u>Topic</u> The Use of Composites Repairs in the Infrastructure Industry	<u>Speaker</u> Eri Vokshi, Neptune Research	Attendance 78
11/12/14	Redevelopment of the Palm Beach Par 3	Kevin Schanen, PE, Kimley-Horn and Associates	63
12/09/14	Dewatering: A Case Study in Excavations through Sands Below the Groundwater Table LANDIR Hydro Impact Basin; NASA Langley Research Center, Hampton, Virginia	Jose N. Gomez, PE, MSc - ECS Florida, LLC	48

#### **Officers Meetings**

October 29, 2014 January 6, 2015

#### Past Events

Officer Installations took place during the October Monthly Meeting. Jose Acosta, President Elect of the Florida Section installed the officers and committee chairs.

The Palm Beach Branch participated in the Joint Societies Holiday Party, held on 12 December 2014.

# Upcoming Events

The Palm Beach Branch will participate in the Joint Professional Societies Legislative Breakfast on January 16, 2015.

The Palm Beach Branch will host a picnic on January 24, 2015 at Okeeheelee Park.

An airboat ride at one of the South Florida Water Management District's Water Conservation Areas will be held in late February, 2015.

The eWeek Banquet is held during eWeek in conjunction with FES.

The Engineers in Government Night will be held in early April 2015.

# **Ongoing Events**

Monthly Lunch Meetings (2nd Tuesday of each month)

Young Members Social - Meetings are held on a bi-monthly basis in conjunction with FES. FWEA also participates. Appetizers, one drink ticket, and a raffle are provided. The meetings attendance is about 30 – 40 combined members of FES, ASCE, and FWEA.

ASCE student advisor committee provides free resume critique to the FAU students on a regular basis.