# **Chen Quarterly**

**Chen Employee Birthdays** 

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August 3<sup>rd</sup>

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# A Message from the President

ur employees are taking full advantage of summer's longer Udays by participating in various events and volunteering their time for causes important to them. The firm participated in our 4th corporate run (right); the 21st Annual Walk for the



Animals (page 3); and the 21st Annual Island City Canoe Race (page 3). In addition, we hosted a party celebrating Senior Engineer Safiya Brea's 10 years of service to the firm (page 3)! We also collected goods for the Vietnam Veterans of America (page 3) and have been busy gaining

international perspective in various countries including Panama, Saudi Arabia and Taiwan (page 2). Also, please check out the back page of the Quarterly for our employees' birthdays and "Chenniversaries," highlighting the years of service of our dedicated team members.

I also need to give a number of thanks to the various people and companies that helped me as I embarked on two ambitious goals this past quarter. The first goal was my role as the President Elect of the Broward County Gator Club. We were tasked by the President and Executive Director of the UF Alumni Association to make an impact on our membership, so with the help of Past Presidents Michael Nathanson and Elisa Stone (and a huge amount of help from my wonderful wife Cariann Moore), we hosted our first Gators Do Great Things member appreciation and scholarship awards night on May 23rd at Pier 66 in Fort Lauderdale. My second goal was that I was nominated as a candidate for Man of the Year of Broward County by the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. This is an ambitious 10-week fundraising campaign to help battle cancer. I dedicated my campaign to my late grandfather who was taken by Leukemia. At the time of this article, the results aren't yet in, but thanks to the literally hundreds of people who helped support me, I feel like a winner. Regardless of the outcome, we are that much closer to finding a cure.

I hope you all set and accomplish personal goals like I did this past year. Keep up the great work!

Sincerely,

Gainesville

Peter Moore, P.E., LEED® AP President

June 15<sup>th</sup> Peter Moore, P.E., LEED<sup>®</sup> AP



Julv 5<sup>th</sup> Cris Betancourt, RLA



June 3<sup>rd</sup> - 10 years Safiya Brea, P.E., LEED<sup>®</sup> AP



June 13<sup>th</sup> - 1 year Daniel Davila, P.E.





Julv 22th Jason Haeseler, P.E.



June 3<sup>rd</sup> - 1 year

Stefan Bortak

**Chenniversaries** 



June 27<sup>th</sup> - 11 years James Barton, P.E., LEED<sup>®</sup> AP





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Palm Beach

Stuart

July 4<sup>th</sup> Jennifer Smith, P.E.



August 5<sup>th</sup> Jose Acosta, P.E.



June 9<sup>th</sup> - 4 years Kathryn Horrigan



August 28<sup>th</sup> - 6 years Derrick Smith, LEED® AP







# **Corporate Run Fort Lauderdale**

hen Moore and Associates participated in the UMercedes-Benz Corporate Run Fort Lauderdale at Huizenga Plaza on March 29, 2012. The Corporate Run promotes running and walking as a means to a fit, healthy lifestyle for people from all walks of corporate life. Chen Moore and Associates' Social Activities Committee organized CMA employees to help foster community interest in the benefits of fitness and camaraderie in the workplace and encourage public participation throughout a diverse community. This year was the 27th anniversary of the Fort Lauderdale Corporate Run. A portion of this year's proceeds benefited the South Florida Chapter of the American Red Cross.









## **Seeing Things from an International Perspective**

Chen Moore and Associates has recently expanded beyond Florida to Saudi Arabia, Panama and Taiwan. Highlights of these activities are featured below.

**Panama Aguadulce WTP and Water Main** - Chen Moore and Associates was selected as the prime consultant for the design of the Aguadulce Water Treatment Plant in Panama. The new water treatment plant will serve 50 communities in the Provinces of Coclé, Herrera and Veraguas with a total population of approximately 62,000 people. CMA's responsibilities entail feasibility studies; population growth projections to the year 2040; analysis of the hydrographic basin of the Santa Maria river and the intake line; and the design of 200 kilometers of transmission lines, pump stations and a new 12 MGD conventional filtration water treatment plant. In addition, CMA will design the access roads to the intake site and to the water treatment plant facility. The scope includes all specifications and construction documents as required by the Instituto de Acueductos y Alcantarillados Nacionales (IDAAN).



Ha'il City Value Engineering - Chen Moore and Associates worked as part of a value



engineering team for a value planning and design review session for the Ha'il City Expansion project in the Ha'il Region in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. This first session related to the infrastructure designs for Phase I of the master development, comprised of residential, commercial, governmental and religious land uses. The infrastructure was divided into eight categories that were reviewed at length: electrical, lighting, roadway, landscaping, irrigation, potable water, sewerage and stormwater. The session resulted in numerous design suggestions and 12 value engineering proposals with a potential savings of SAR 27.9 million in capital costs,

SAR 6.4 million in potential additional real estate and SAR 34.0 million in potential deferred costs.

**Taiwan Cross-Strait Environmental Summit** - Dr. Chen recently visited Taiwan to attend the Cross-Strait Environmental Summit. He visited many places from his youth, including the Ambassador Hotel, his high school and the Palace Museum in Taipei.

The picture below is the entrance building of Dr. Chen's high school. The old two-story building was torn down; there is only one building left from when Dr. Chen attended in 1960. He attended both middle and high school there from 1957 to 1963; now it is just a high school. There are very few landmarks in Taipei that Dr. Chen and his wife recognized, although all the street names are familiar.



Dr. Chen and his wife in the lobby of the Ambassador Hotel. The background mural was unchanged from 43 years ago. Everything else in the lobby was changed and updated.



Dr. Chen also attended the Cross-Strait Environmental Summit. The two-day summit in Taipei attracted about 150 environmental experts from Taiwan, China and the U.S., who discussed air pollution, waste management and the potential for environmental cooperation across the Taiwan Strait, among other topics.



L to R: Dr. S. Y. Chang, Windsor Wu, Dr. Chen, and Dr. P. Y. Yang are all National Taiwan University graduates.

# **10 Year "Chenniversary"**

In June 3rd, Senior Engineer Safiya Brea, P.E., LEED<sup>®</sup> AP celebrated 10 years of service with Chen Moore and Associates. Safiya marks the first woman at Chen Moore and Associates to have achieved this milestone and the 6th employee overall!

Safiya has worked on a variety of projects with CMA, starting as a field engineer and rising to a project manager of multi-million dollar Neighborhood Improvement Projects for Broward County Water and Wastewater Services. Safiya has also managed a variety of traffic calming improvements, including successful safety improvements like the Margate Boulevard Roundabout and NE 15th and 18th Roundabout in Fort Lauderdale. Safiya has also worked to maintain the family environment at CMA, including assisting with numerous employee committees, such as the social activities and benefits and compensation committee. Recently, she lead the firm's efforts to explore new options for health care. In 2011, Safiya was named a partner at the firm and continues to lead firm efforts out of the corporate headquarters in Fort Lauderdale.

# 21st Annual Island City Canoe Race

**C**hen Moore and Associates finished 2nd in the co-ed division of the 2012 City of Wilton Manors Canoe Race! The team finished 4th overall in a 7-mile relay race around the City of Wilton Manors and exchange at points throughout the Island City and Middle River.



# Walk for the Animals

**C**hen Moore and Associates employees volunteered for the 21st Annual Walk for the Animals on March 3, 2012. The event, held at Huizenga Plaza in



Downtown Fort Lauderdale, raises money for the Humane Society of Broward County (HSBC). With an annual budget of nearly \$5.5 million, the HSBC

h o m e s forover8,000 animals every year. More than 4,000 walkers participated in the Walk which raised over \$400,000.



# **Clothing Drive**

Committee recently collected used clothing and household items to benefit the Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA). Founded in 1978, VVA advocates on issues important to veterans including full access to quality health care. To find out more about the VVA or to schedule a donation, visit www.scheduleapickup.com.



