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FLORIDA CHAPTER ASLA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

DAVID J. FLANAGAN, PLA, ASLA

AUGUST 2017

Many thanks to everyone who helped make the 2017 Florida Chapter ASLA Annual Conference in Boca Raton a great success. Our Conference Chair Helen Cohen and her dedicated volunteers, along with Corey Mathews and his staff did a great job and the feedback from the membership has been outstanding. This was truly one of our more memorable annual meetings.

For any members still in need of Continuing Education Credits, there will be a series of Section Events being given during August with the opportunity for up to 6.5 credits. CEU Days is being sponsored by Oldcastle/Belgard and will be held on the following dates:

August 8 – Broward/Miami

August 9 - Palm Beach / Treasure Coast

August 15 - Gainesville / Jacksonville

August 16 - Tallahassee

August 22 – Naples / Fort Myers

August 23 – Tampa

August 29 - Orlando

We will be scheduling a special election for the membership to vote on the update of our Constitution and Bylaws. The proposed changes were presented to the Executive Committee during our meeting in Boca Raton and now need to be ratified by a general membership vote. The changes are to bring our Constitution and Bylaws in line with recent changes to our National Constitution and Bylaws. Information on these changes and the special election will be forwarded soon.

We are seeking an ASLA Member to serve on the Executive Committee of the Florida Urban Forestry Council (FUFC). The FUFC Executive Committee is composed of representatives from eight allied organizations across the state including the Florida Chapter ASLA, Florida League of Cities, Florida Recreation and Park Association, Florida Chapter International Society of Arboriculture, Society of American Foresters - Florida Chapter, Cooperative Extension Service, Highway Beautification (FDOT), and Florida Nursery, Growers and Landscape Association. Individuals serve for a three-year period. Meetings are held bi-monthly and the time commitment is about 10 hours per month if the individual is active. If anyone is interested please contact me about being the FLASLA representative on the FUFC.

As always, I appreciate the opportunity and honor of representing you. Please contact me at president@flasla.org if you would like to be more involved with the Florida Chapter of ASLA.

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