May 6, 2013

NEWS FROM THE DIRECTOR

I really am honored to serve as your Director. Last month alone, I was able to see first hand how all of you influence the way our transportation systems operate and the high esteem your colleagues in this field hold you in. Kudos to Phil and his team for putting together a wonderful commuter choice summit, to Pei-Sung for launching new projects in bike and pedestrian safety, to Steve P. who had some incredible comments back from students and others in his class, to Lisa and Dennis and their groups for managing the FTA safety and other research studies, to Steve R. for his stellar service to TEAM-FL, to Kristine’s group for their successful MPO workshops, and to Joel for his work with CUTC and USDOT RITA. I don’t have space to walk through everything but I am impressed with the work Ryan, Amber, Stephanie, Michael, Ken, Arunima, and Reena and others have done to improve our research and marketing processes.

I am also pleased to announce that our 2013 transportation achievement award winner is A. Wayne Rich, co-founder and chair of TEAM-FL and an attorney with Broad and Cassel. Our event will be on November 6th this year and I look forward to showing off all the wonderful things that we achieve by then. Have a great month! Jason

WELCOME NEW CUTR EMPLOYEES

Dr. Chanyoung Lee is the Supervisor of the following students. They will primarily work on the Observational Study of Motorcyclists Behaviors.

Aaron Grierson
Pursuing: MS Mechanical Engineering

Kevin Latimore
Pursuing: BS Chemical Engineering

Jason Rix
Pursuing: BS Civil Engineering

Travis Smith
Pursuing: BA Biblical Studies, BBC in Pennsylvania

Jake Zolkower
Pursuing: BS Environmental Science & Policy with concentration in Policy & a minor in Geology

Benjamin Young
Pursuing: BS Mechanical Engineering

May Birthdays
02 — Vijay Sivaraman
04 — Lisa Ravenscroft
05 — Bill Morris
08 — Michael Bato
09 — James Tucci
19 — Marie Zuzek
31 — Joan Pino
31 — Achilleas Kourtellis

May Anniversaries
Vicky Perk — 20 yrs
Alex Kolpakov — 9 yrs
Melissa McCarville — 8 yrs
Carlton Allen — 6 yrs
Lizette Charriez-Delgado — 6 yrs
Jason Jackman — 5 yrs
Debbie Schultz — 1 yr
Rahul Joshi — 1 yr
Roberta Yegidis — 1 yr

AEGIS Timesheets
AEGIS submission dates for May 2013

Pay period 4/26/13 to 5/09/13 AEGIS submission date is Tuesday 5/07 @ 10 am

Pay period 5/10/13 to 5/23/13 AEGIS submission date is Monday 5/20 @ 10 am

Pay period 5/24/13 to 6/06/13 AEGIS submission date is Tuesday 6/04 @ 10 am
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Please welcome Sarah Terry who is pursuing a Master’s Degree in Public Administration with an expected graduation date of May 2014. Jason Bittner is her Supervisor and she will be working on the Evaluation of Logistics Led Economic Development Activities project.

Dr. Pei-Sung Lin is the Supervisor of the following students. They will primarily work on the Pedestrian Program Evaluation Study as well as assist with various CUTR projects.

Manaswini Bandi  
Pursuing:  
MS Electrical Engineering

Juan Velasquez  
Pursuing:  
BS Civil Engineering

Samantha Sutton  
Pursuing:  
BS Nursing

James Bowman  
Pursuing:  
BS Mechanical Engineering

Sharad Rastogi  
Pursuing:  
MS Management Information Sys-

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 6-10  
Instructor’s Course in Bus Operator Training, CUT102

May 8  
NTTA Board Meeting, 8:00am, Board Room

May 12  
Mother’s Day

May 14  
Managers Meeting, 10:30am-12:00pm, CUT207

May 27  
USF Holiday — Memorial Day

CONGRATULATIONS

Steven Bovino, M.A. in Economics; applying to economic consulting firms all over the country and will be in Tampa till the end of the summer.

Arezou Farahbakhsh, BS Computer Science, Manager, SureView Systems, Tampa

Jennifer Iley, MS Library and Information Science

Domenico Pontoriero, M.A. in Geography; currently in search of work and looking for opportunities abroad. He is on schedule to finish the development of The PIPM Tool (a desktop application for transportation planning public involvement), his main project here at CUTR. It should be ready for distribution to FDOT’s seven districts by June 1st.

CUTR Webcast

Presenters needed for
• May 16, 2013
• May 30, 2013

Please email Jennifer Iley, if you would be interested in presenting.

Alma Mater Days

SHOW YOUR ALMA MATER PRIDE: Wear your favorite college t-shirt, sweatshirt, and the like (must display the College’s logo or name) the first Friday of every month. Friendly banter on performance of affiliated sports teams or alumni news is also highly encouraged. If you want to add a banner or anything to your door, that’s great too. Dress code restrictions on sleeveless shirts, shorts or sandals will remain enforced. Jeans can, of course, be worn (with a reminder that a voluntary contribution ($1) is appreciated).

GO BULLS!!!

Alma Mater Days:
• June 7, 2013
• July 5, 2013
• August 2, 2013
• September 6, 2013
• October 4, 2013
• November 1, 2013
• December 6, 2013
KUDOS

Sean Barbeau was recently appointed as a member of the OneBusAway Board of Directors.

Julie Bond was recently appointed to the following positions: Treasurer of the Southeast Association for Commuter Transportation; member of the Hillsborough County Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee; and member of the Pinellas County Pedestrian Transportation Advisory Committee.

Sara Hendrick’s project, Characteristics of Shared Bicycle/Bus Lanes was featured in the Spring’s issue of ITE Transportation Planning Council’s newsletter.

Chanyoung Lee was contacted by Consumer Reports and the motorcycle study findings was referenced in their motorcycle safety tips for new riders.

Edward Bart and Amber Reep’s paper entitled The Culture of Progressive Longitudinal Training in the Public Transit Industry: A Contemporary Model has been accepted for publication in the Transportation Research Record (TRR), Journal of the Transportation Research Board.

Jay Goodwill, Amber Reep and Edward Bart’s paper entitled Harnessing Technology to Deliver Online Disability Etiquette for Transit Operators Training was accepted for publication by the American Public Transportation Association’s (APTA) for the 2013 APTA Bus and Paratransit Conference.

Stakeholder Support for Innovative Workforce Development - Florida’s Transit Operator Trainer Training Program poster was selected for display at the University Transportation Centers (UTC) Conference for the Southeastern Region (Reep, Bart, Staes)

Transit Manager Certificate Program - An Educational Space of Technology and Innovation poster was selected for display at the University Transportation Centers (UTC) Conference for the Southeastern Region (Bart, Reep)

Certified Transit Technician Program: Leveraging Technology for State of the Art Training poster was selected for display at the University Transportation Centers (UTC) Conference for the Southeastern Region (Bart, Reep)

NOTEWORTHY ACCOLADES

Emmily Tiampati, a student in the TDM group, did a Bike/Pedestrian presentation on April 25th at FDOT District 7 for the “Bring your Child to Work Day” event. It was well attended and the children were knowledgeable about bicycle and pedestrian safety.
**Project:** Florida Transit Planning Network (FTPN) Support Program  
**Sponsor:** Florida Dept of Transportation  
**PI/Co-PI:** Joslin/Mistretta  
**Value:** $76,406

**Project:** Support for Alert Today Alive Tomorrow Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Campaign - Supplemental Request  
**Sponsor:** Florida Department of Transportation  
**PI/Co-PI:** Lin  
**Value:** $799,999

**Project:** Florida Statewide Transit Training and Technical Assistance Program  
**Sponsor:** Florida Department of Transportation  
**PI/Co-PI:** Reep/Bart/Staes  
**Value:** $154,265

**Project:** USDOT UTC OPEN COMPETITION 2012  
**Sponsor:** US Department of Transportation  
**PI/Co-PI:** Volinski/Hinebaugh/Winters  
**Value:** $3,397,601

**Project:** Transportation Characteristics and Impacts of Traditional and Curbside -- Intercity Bus Service in Florida  
**Sponsor:** Florida Department of Transportation  
**PI/Co-PI:** Begley/Bittner  
**Value:** $302,232