NEWS FROM THE DIRECTOR

USF is gearing up – as most of Tampa is also – for hosting the Republican National Convention next month. To help the media with navigating contacts on a myriad of subjects, USF has established a blog: http://onpoint.blog.usf.edu/ that highlights some of the best thinking on subjects important for the Tampa region, the State, and the nation. I encourage you to check it out and of course contribute your insights. We’re refreshing our own website to highlight our expertise too. A test version is available for you to play with at http://testing.cutr.us. Debbie Sapper will be coordinating efforts to populate that site and launch it – hopefully by mid-to-late August in time for the RNC convention and the start of the new school year. Have a great week. — Jason

TRANSPORTATION ACHIEVEMENT AWARD EVENT

The 2012 Transportation Achievement Award Event will be held on Thursday, November 1, 2012 honoring José Abreu, P.E., Director of the Miami-Dade Aviation Department and a Former Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation. This year’s guest speakers include Ananth Prasad, P.E., Secretary of FDOT and Gus Pego, P.E., District Six Secretary of FDOT. The Award Event is from 5:30pm-9:00pm at Embassy Suites, USF.

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 1, 2012      CUTR Advisory Board Teleconference, Board Room @ 1:30pm

The 2013 FDOT/FPTA/CUTR Professional Development Workshop will be held on June 18-19, 2013 at the Embassy Suites, USF. More details to follow.

NOTEWORTHY

The CUTR Employee Suggestion form has been updated and ready for use!!! The suggestion form is available via the CUTR Share Drive at: S:\CUTR\FORMS\Miscellaneous Forms

You can print out the completed form and place it in the suggestion box in the first floor workroom or email the completed form directly to Jason Bittner. Your input is valued and can remain anonymous if you choose!

BACKPACKS FOR HEALTHY FAMILIES PASCO

Each year CUTR participates in the “Backpacks for Healthy Families Pasco” by providing backpacks and school supplies to children who are less fortunate. We have the opportunity to help these children have a great start to a new school year. There are still a few names available, please stop by the front desk and sign up for one of them. If you would like to make a donation to help purchase additional items for the backpack, please contact Melissa DeLeon at 4-7904. The backpacks need to be brought to CUTR by Tuesday, August 7, 2012 with the

July Birthdays
Bong Jin-Choi    7/1
Samantha Austin 7/6
Vicky Perk      7/12
Vanializ Agramonte 7/14
Gary Brosch     7/18
Bradley L’Herrou 7/22
Serkan Gunipar   7/22
Kristina Bianco 7/24
Blake Runnalls   7/27

July Anniversaries
Patricia Ball    23 yrs
Vergil Stover   19 yrs
Grace Hunt      12 yrs
Melissa DeLeon  10 yrs
Scott Paine     9 yrs
Chanyoung Lee   5 yrs
Ransom Huntington 1 yr

August Birthdays
Tram Pham       8/4
Matthew Wills   8/9
Phil Winters    8/12
Steve Stopiak  8/12
Steve Ulloa     8/13
Kristine Williams 8/13
Chris DeAnnuntis 8/15
Ali Akram       8/18
Nagesh Nayak    8/23
Xuehao Chu     8/25
Sean Barbeau    8/27
Deborah Sapper  8/27
Rishikesh Limaye 8/29
Latoyia Fipps  8/31

August Anniversaries
Xuehao Chu    19 yrs
Lisa Staes    14 yrs
Sisinnio Concas 12 yrs
Huaguo Zhou   9 yrs
Diana Byrnes  9 yrs
child's name (and Number) clearly attached to the backpack. Your continued support is appreciated.

If you are interested in finding out more about Healthy Families Pasco, check out the links below:

Information About Healthy Families Pasco | See how Healthy Families assist parents!

### PROPOSALS SUBMITTED/UNDERWAY

| Project: | Sarasota County Area Transit Technical Assistance |
| Sponsor: | Sarasota County Area Transit |
| PI: | Jay Goodwill |
| Value: | $27,182 |

| Project: | Bus Operator Safety Critical Issues Examination and Model Practices |
| Sponsor: | FDOT |
| PI: | Staes |
| Co-PI: | Reep |
| Value: | $242,010 |

| Project: | Linking Transit Agencies and Land Use Decisionmaking |
| Sponsor: | National Academy of Sciences |
| PI: | Seggerman |
| Value: | $300,000 |

| Project: | Glades Master Transit Plan |
| Sponsor: | Palm Beach Co Transportation Authority |
| PI: | Deannuntis |
| Co-PI: | Morris |
| Value: | $74,983 |

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**AEGIS Timesheets**

**Due:** Tuesday July 31 by 10am for pay period 7/20 to 8/2

**CUTR Webcast**

Dates Available! We are looking for presenters!

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