August 1, 2016
CUTR TRANSPORTATION ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS EVENT
CUTR will recognize Buddy Dyer, Mayor, City of Orlando at CUTR’s annual Transportation Achievement Awards event on November 15, 2016 at the USF Embassy Suites, Tampa Campus. This year’s keynote speaker is Jim Boxold, Secretary of FDOT. This award is presented annually to an individual who has made significant contributions to the transportation field.

Buddy Dyer has been serving Orlando’s residents since 2003. Mayor Dyer serves as the City’s chief executive and also helps govern and oversee the operations and growth of its city-owned utility and the Orlando International and Executive Airports.

In 2011, he was selected as American City and County Magazine’s National Municipal Leader of the Year. The award highlights his work to diversify Central Florida’s economy, secure Central Florida’s first rail mass transit system, strengthen neighborhood safety and deliver more efficient, effective government to the residents of Orlando.

Mayor Dyer is also a fierce advocate for the expansion of public mass-transit and for creating more walkable, livable communities. Through his leadership, Orlando recently launched Central Florida’s first-ever commuter rail system called SunRail.

Prior to being Mayor, Buddy Dyer served for a decade in the Florida Senate. His colleagues elected him as their Democratic Senate Leader, a position he held for three years.

Mayor Dyer earned his undergraduate degree in Civil Engineering from Brown University and his Juris Doctor degree from the University of Florida, College of Law, where he was Editor-In-Chief of the University of Florida Law Review and a member of the prestigious Florida Blue Key organization.

Previous award recipients include: Bill Johnson, Florida Secretary of Commerce, President & CEO, Enterprise Florida, Inc., Jim Sebesta, Florida Transportation Commissioner (FTC) and former State Senator, A. Wayne Rich, former Chairman, Orlando-Orange County Expressway Authority, Jose Abreu, former Secretary of the FDOT and Director, Miami International Airport Director, former Florida Senator Malcolm Beard, Ben Watts, former Secretary of the FDOT, former Florida Senator James T. Hargrett, Jr., Bob Burleson, President of FTBA, James Ely, former Executive Director of Florida’s Turnpike Enterprise, K. Earl Durden, Chairman, CEO, and Director of Rail Management Corporation, U.S. Representative John Mica, David Brown, former chair of the FTC, and Don Crane, former President of Floridians for Better Transportation.
WELCOME NEW STUDENTS

Anil Reddy Kandula is pursuing a Master's degree in Computer Science and is expected to graduate in the spring of 2017. He received his Bachelor's degree from Chaitanya Bharathi Institute of Technology (CBIT) in Hyderabad, India. He was hired as a Graduate Research Assistant under Dr. Sean Barbeau in the TDM group. He will be working on the TRAC-IT project, which is a travel behavior data mining using a GPS-enabled mobile phone.

Mohan Gandhi Achchakkagari is pursuing a Master's degree in Computer Science and is expected to graduate in the fall of 2017. He received his Bachelor's degree from CBIT in Hyderabad, India in 2014. He will be working under Dr. Sean Barbeau in the TDM group on the project, Open Trip Planner.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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<td>CUTR Manager's Meeting, 1:30 pm, CUT207</td>
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<td>August 16</td>
<td>CUTR Staff Meeting and Welcome Reception for new CUTR Director, Dr. Rob Bertini, 9:00 am, CUT102</td>
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<td>Aug 29-Sept 1</td>
<td>FDOT Statewide/Data Meeting, CUT102</td>
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<td>August 31</td>
<td>CUTR Advisory Board Meeting, 1:30 pm, Boardroom</td>
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CUTR WEBCASTS AT 12:00 PM

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<td>Obstacles: What Transit Administrators Say Prevents Them From Pursuing Social Justice, Gerard Wellman, California State University</td>
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<td>Sept 1</td>
<td>A Framework for Mobile Payment Pilot Implementation, Nevine Georggi, CUTR Research Associate</td>
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AEGIS Timesheets

Pay period 7/29/16 to 8/11/16
AEGIS submission date is Tuesday, August 9 by 10 am.

Pay period 8/12/16 to 8/25/16
AEGIS submission date is Tuesday, August 23 by 10 am.

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 contribution ($1) is appreciated).

GO BULLS!!
Alma Mater Days:
- August 5
- September 2
- October 7
- November 4
- December 2
KUDOS

Qiong Shan Chen has been accepted into the USF College of Public Health program for Fall 2016. She will be pursuing a Master of Public Health degree with a concentration in Global Communicable Disease. Shan completed her B.S. degree last spring 2015, but hopes to apply her biology background towards public health studies focusing on parasitology, infectious pathogens, and disease progression. Shan has been with CUTR for two years and currently works under Dr. Lin as the Educational Outreach Coordinator for Alert Today Florida. Her duties involve organizing and attending outreach events to promote pedestrian and bicycle safety, both locally and statewide. Congratulations!

Congratulations to Katrina Corcoran, Graduate Research Assistant, for once again being awarded the APTA American Public Transportation Foundation Scholarship Award! The APTF Awards Ceremony will be held in September at the APTA Annual Meeting in Los Angeles.

Robyn Kibler, Graduate Research student will be receiving her Ph.D. in Economics this month! Her dissertation research involved applied work in spatial econometrics. Congratulations!

NOTEWORTHY ACCOLADES

Joel Volinski participated on the APTA Revenue Task Force that is reviewing ways for the organization to increase its revenues and services to members (CUTR is a long time member).

Joel Volinski, Dennis Hinebaugh and Rob Bertini met with officials of FTA, OST-R, and FHWA to discuss current and potential projects. They also met with a half-dozen members of Congress and/or their staff to inform them of the activities of the National Center for Transit Research and our applications for UTC grant funds.

Dr. Lin, Dr. Ozkul, and the research task group has completed field testing of seven different wrong way driving countermeasures to evaluate the effectiveness of each. These countermeasures were installed throughout the state, in cities including Pensacola, Tallahassee, Miami and Tampa.

Comparing Countermeasures for Mitigating Wrong-way Entries onto Limited Access Facilities
A BIG THANK YOU to all those who provided backpacks, school supplies, and monetary donations to help those children less fortunate. The “Backpacks for Healthy Families Pasco” was successful because of the following people who made a difference in a child’s life: Patricia Ball, Melissa De Leon, Nevine Georggi, Tiffany Georggi, Lucy Gonzalez, Rob Gregg, Dennis Hinebaugh, Grace Hunt, Si-won Jang, Derthalie Joseph, Ann Joslin, Jeanne Kean, Chanyoung Lee, Amy Lester, Stephanie Lewis, Pei-Sung Lin, Vicky Perk, Steve Polzin, Lazara Stinnette, and Roberta Yegidis.

CUTR AWARDS/CONTRACTS

Project: NITC Student Scholars FY2017
Sponsor: Portland State University
PI(s): Williams/Volinski
Value: $30,000

Project: NITC Student Group & Visiting Scholars FY2017
Sponsor: Portland State University
PI(s): Williams/Volinski
Value: $30,000

Project: MPOAC Transportation Planning Services
Sponsor: Florida MPOAC
PI(s): Kramer
Value: $55,000

Project: NITC Executive Committee Member FY2017
Sponsor: Portland State University
PI(s): Volinski
Value: $47,881

Project: MPOAC Institute
Sponsor: Florida MPOAC
PI(s): Kramer
Value: $85,000

Project: MPOAC Transportation Planning & Research Services
Sponsor: MPO Advisory Council
PI(s): Kramer
Value: $37,500
CUTR PROPOSALS

Project: Development of Transactional Data Specs for Demand-Responsive Transportation  
Sponsor: Transportation Research Board  
PI(s): Georggi  
Value: $250,000

Project: STOL II- STOL II Master Agreement for Tech Support for Saxton (Transportation Operations Lab)  
Sponsor: Leidos  
PI(s): Robert Bertini / Xiaopeng Li  
Value: $50,000

Project: Bus System Safety and Security Follow-Up Reviews and Associated Technical Assistance  
Sponsor: Florida Department of Transportation  
PI(s): Staes  
Value: $15,018

Project: FDOT District One Vehicle Inventory  
Sponsor: FDOT Office of Modal Development  
PI(s): Mistretta/ Spicer/ Joslin  
Value: $117,813

ORDER PARKING PERMITS ON-LINE

Current Permits Expire on August 10th

Don’t stand in line… order your parking permit online!

If adding another vehicle, have license plate and VIN number available.

- MyUSF Users: Log on to your MyUSF account, click on the USF Parking and Transportation Services icon at the bottom left of the main page or under the MY RESOURCES tab, select PARKING PERMITS
- Affiliates: Log on to your parking account using your email address and the password previously provided

Helpful Information When Ordering Online

- All permits will be mailed, please verify your address when ordering online
- We will not mail to campus addresses, except for resident housing
- Remember to print the temporary permit to use until your permit arrives in the mail

Sign up to receive USF parking and traffic alerts via email. To subscribe, send an email to:
listserv@listserv.admin.usf.edu and type: sub USF-PARKING-TRAFFIC-ALERTS in the body of your message.

You will receive an email that will require you to click on a confirmation link in order to be included as a subscriber.
**INFORMATION**

**General information on CUTR procedures:**

Have a question, check out the wiki site to find your answer:  [https://sites.google.com/site/cutwikisite/](https://sites.google.com/site/cutwikisite/)

Hiring a new employee? The wiki site is the place to find the form and submit it electronically:

[https://sites.google.com/site/cutwikisite/admin-group-page/ken-short/hr-tasks/hiring-new-people](https://sites.google.com/site/cutwikisite/admin-group-page/ken-short/hr-tasks/hiring-new-people)

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**NEED TO SUBMIT TO CUTR CONNECTIONS?**

If you have information that you would like to share and include in the monthly issue of the CUTRConnections—CUTR Employee Newsletter, please send an email with the information to **Grace Hunt** at hunt@cutr.usf.edu.