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In this, my last message as president of the Florida Healthcare Engineering Association, I want to share my appreciation to all those who made 2005 a great year for our professional organization. This is done, not in a perfunctory way, but my expression of appreciation is genuine.

Thanks, first of all, to the officers and members of our Board of Directors. We have a strong and dedicated Board. They do many good things for FHEA. Regretfully, most of the tasks that they perform go unnoticed. They deserve a pat on the back.

The President's Corner

I am grateful to our membership who attends the district and state meetings. At both levels, the meetings have been superb this year – with outstanding speakers and timely and educational topics.

FHEA is blessed with over 200 Supporting Members and I am grateful to them for their assistance. We would have a difficult time existing without their financial support. They support us and we need to support them.

I am grateful to the staff here at Munroe Regional Medical Center in Ocala. Like most of you, my work schedule is unbelievable; yet, this facility has been most supportive in allowing me

to take the time to serve FHEA. Also, a big bouquet must go to my family. I am sure that they are glad that my term is coming to an end.

Finally, Shelburn Wilkes (our executive director) and his wife, Rita, have been

bulwarks...always there and willing to help in so many ways. They enjoy working with FHEA and we enjoying working with them. Their well-earned retirement in January, 2007, is approaching. They have

agreed to serve as needed as consultants to our new staff for which we are indeed grateful.

I am not tooting my own horn, but FHEA has had a super year by any measure. We won another gold award from ASHE and we had a very successful Spring Meeting as well as Annual Meeting and Trade Show.

Jim Hutchinson, CHE, will be our next president. He has proven leadership ability and he will serve us well. Please give him the same good support which you gave to me.

Again, thank you.

*Don Floyd, CHF, CHE
President*



Don Floyd, CHE

Meet your President

FHEA's new President for 2006 is Jim "Hutch" Hutchinson, CHE, a member of FHEA since late 1983.

Jim's early military service with the US Navy took him to Pensacola, Florida, in 1969 where he served as an Aviation Electrician 2nd class with the US Navy "Blue Angels" flight Demonstration team until 1973.

His healthcare career began in January 1974 with construction of what today is West Florida Regional Medical Center, where he worked alongside another long time FHEA member and former State President, Mick Barrow. From 1974 through 1980 he continued to work on construction projects, building facilities such as King Faisal Hospital in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia in 1975, Gulf Coast Medical Center in

Panama City in 1976, Waynesboro, General and Forrest General in Mississippi in 1978 and 1979, and Twin Cities Hospital in 1980 where he was hired on as the Facility Manager. He spent the next 23 years with that facility.

Jim will tell you with a gleam in his eye that his dream came true when he was hired into his current position as Director of Support Services at Sacred Heart Hospital on the Emerald Coast in beautiful Destin, Florida.

When not working at his facility or dogging hurricanes, Jim enjoys spending free time with his wife Sue Hutchinson of 34 years, doing what they love—riding their Harley Davidson and vacationing throughout the southeast. Jim and Sue have



Jim "Hutch" Hutchinson, CHE

one daughter, Lauren Nichol, who will soon be 22 years old, and in February is due to deliver their first granddaughter.

Jim looks forward to serving FHEA in 2006 as President, and notes that he is in elite company as there have only been two other two-time State Presidents in FHEA's history which dates back to 1962.

Welcome New Supporting Members

The following have joined our growing ranks since our last issue of "The Whistle."

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Engineer of the Year

Richard T. Myles, CHE

Waterman Hospital

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PROFESSIONAL POSITION

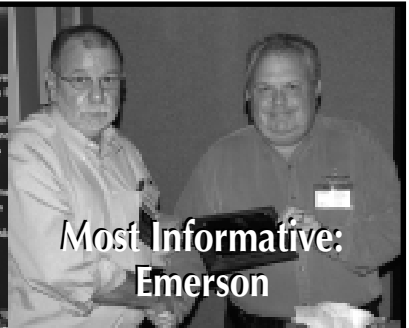
SAFETY OFFICER — Ocala Regional Medical Center - immediate opening. Reports to Facilities Director. Position will be responsible for overall management of Environment of Care Programs. *Contact:* Ray Hopkins, CHE, Director of Facilities Management. Phone: (352)401-1220; Email: ray.hopkins@hcahealthcare.com



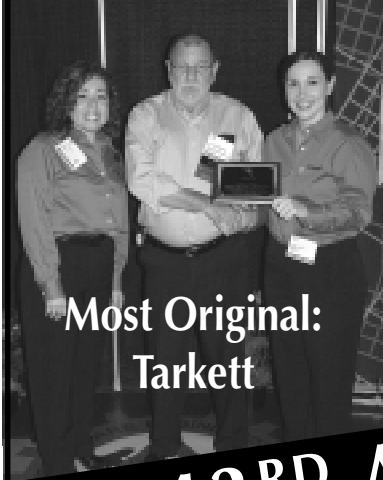
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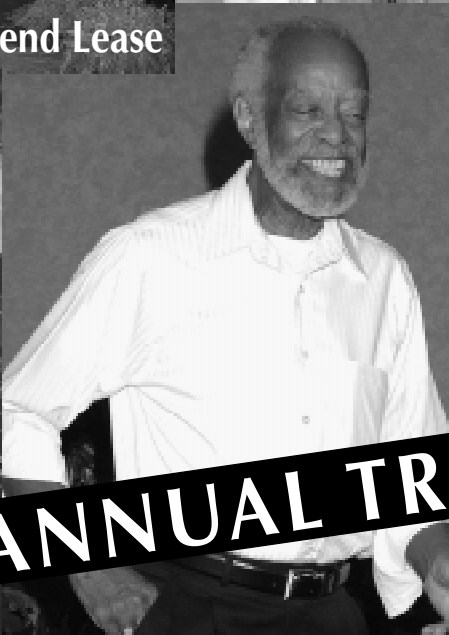
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