



The FMEA Annual Conference

July 18-20, 2017 • Ponte Vedra



Hotel registration deadline:
June 16, 2017

Address: 1000 Pga Tour Blvd,
Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082
Main Phone: (904) 285-7777



To make hotel reservations, please call the Sawgrass Marriott reservations department at 800-457-4653. Identify yourself as attending the Florida Municipal Electric Association Conference. Online reservations: <https://aws.passkey.com/go/fmea2017>

Room rates:

Single or double: \$165/night
All rates are subject to state and local taxes, fees and assessments, currently 10.5% and are subject to change without notice. The special group rate is extended three days before and three days after the conference group dates, subject to room and rate availability. Reservations received after June 16, 2017, are subject to room and rate availability.

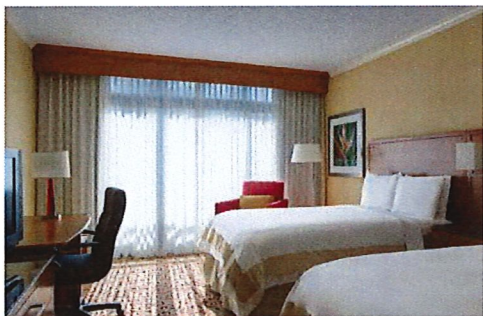


Parking:

Complimentary self-parking is available. The valet parking rate is \$24/night plus tax.

Service & Internet Charges:

Complimentary guestroom internet access is available in all guest sleeping rooms. Gratuities are at the individual's discretion.



There is an optional daily resort fee of \$25 available at check-in that includes unlimited local and domestic long distance phone calls; a \$10 valet parking credit; Spa and Cabana Beach Club fitness classes; two bottles of water in room; two complimentary cocktails or one appetizer in Lobby Bar; complimentary two-hour bike rental, up to four bikes; 10% off all Sawgrass Spa & Resort Specialty shop retail purchases; golf bag storage at the resort; and \$50 credit for a private lesson at the TOUR Academy. This resort fee is completely optional for guests.



Check-in/Check-out times:

Check-in time at the Sawgrass Marriott is after 4:00 p.m. Checkout time is 11:00 a.m.

Cancellation policy:

All reservations must be accompanied by a first night room deposit or guaranteed by a valid major credit card at time of reservation. Any guaranteed reservation not cancelled 72 hours prior to arrival will be subject to one night room and tax cancellation fee.



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This is my first time attending the FMEA Annual Conference

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Admittance to all functions will be by ticket and name badge only. Spouses/guests must register to receive name badges for entrance into all social functions. Please call the hotel directly to reserve your hotel room at (800) 457-4653.

Attendee Information

Name THOMAS K PERONA
 Nickname for badge TOM Job title CITY COMMISSIONER
 Organization CITY OF FORT PIERCE
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 City FORT PIERCE State FL Zip (+4) 34950
 Phone 772-467-3065 Fax 772-467-3841
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 Confirmation E-mail (if different) cscott@city-ftpierce.com

Registration Fees

Registration fees are per person, and include name badge, conference session admission, and a ticket for the Thursday Luncheon and Annual Banquet. Separate registration and fee required to attend the pre-conference meeting. Spouses/guests must register to receive name badges and attend social functions. Qualified sponsors write "comp." See Sponsor Memo at www.publicpower.com/annual-conference for details.

	Before June 16	After June 16	On-Site	Amount
General Conference Registration				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FMEA Municipal Utility Member	\$550	\$575	\$600	\$ <u>550</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> FMEA Associate Member	\$625	\$650	\$675	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-Member	\$900	\$925	\$950	\$ _____
Additional Conference Functions				
<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-conference Seminar: State & Federal Legislative Process	Free			
<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-conference Seminar: Operational Support & Distribution Services	Free			\$ <u>0</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Fellowship Breakfast	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$ _____

For Spouse/Guest registration, additional Fellowship Breakfast tickets or Banquet tickets registration, please fill out the Spouse/Guest form.

Total due: \$ 550

Payment Information

Payment enclosed: Enclosed is a check for \$ _____

Please make checks payable to: **Florida Municipal Electric Association.**

Please charge my: Visa MC AMEX in the amount of: \$ _____
 Card No. _____ Exp. Date _____ CVV Code _____
 Cardholder name _____ Zip Code _____ Phone _____
 Signature _____

Please invoice FMEA Member listed above for the total listed on this page only. (Available for FMEA Members only.)

Cancellations and refund requests are subject to a nonrefundable 15% administration fee and must be requested in writing and received by FMEA before July 7, 2017. Because of hotel guarantee requirements, refunds of registration fees, tickets and special events will not be made after this date. No-shows will not be refunded. Special accommodations: If you require special accommodations at this conference, call the FMEA office at (850) 224-3314, ext. 3.

For FMEA Use Only	
Received _____	Amount _____
Ack. Sent _____	Balance Due _____
Check/Visa/MC/AMEX _____	

Please return by June 16, 2016 to:

Email: bthompson@publicpower.com

Mail: FMEA

P. O. Box 10114

Tallahassee, FL 32302-2114

Fax: (850) 222-0358



2017 FMEA Conference Agenda Overview

Tuesday, July 18	
1:00 – 5:00 pm	Registration Desk Open
	Pre-conference Seminars
2:00 – 4:00 pm	<p>Operational Support and Distribution Services, Jacob Williams, General Manager and CEO, FMPA, Orlando <i>Municipal utilities in Florida—and around the country—are facing a workforce shortage and high demand for essential field personnel to operate and maintain distribution systems. The sudden departure of key personnel can be a serious problem, even threatening the viability of some municipal utilities. In addition, changing customer expectations and new technologies are driving the need for higher levels of service, reliability and outage restoration. A variety of options will be explored to address these issues. Be part of narrowing down the options and setting the direction for a significant expansion of operational support and distribution services for Florida’s municipal utilities.</i></p>
3:00 – 4:30 pm	<p>State and Federal Legislative Process, Amy Zubaly, Interim Executive Director, FMEA, Tallahassee, & Michael Nolan, President, MJN Consulting, Washington, D.C.</p> <p><i>The state and federal legislative process can be complicated and daunting. How does an idea work its way through the process to become law? What opportunities exist to stop a bad bill? How are these processes different at the state vs. federal level? What do acronyms and words such as “TP,” “PCB,” and “cloture” mean? How can YOU, as part of the public power community, influence this process? Learn answers to these questions and more at this pre-conference seminar.</i></p>
5:30 – 6:30 pm	Networking Reception for Colleagues and Sponsors
Wednesday, July 19	
7:30 – 5:00 pm	Registration Desk Open
7:30 am	FMPA Board of Directors Continental breakfast
8:00 am	FMPA Board of Directors Meeting
8:30 am	FMPA Executive Committee Meeting (or immediately following Board of Directors Meeting)
8:30 – 10:15 am	FMPA Meetings

10:30 – 12:30 pm	FMEA Board of Directors meeting and lunch
1:00 – 1:30 pm	Ice Cream Social
1:30 – 4:30 pm	Opening General Session
1:45 – 2:45 pm	<p>An Insider’s View of Florida Politics and the Florida Legislature, The Honorable Jack Latvala, Florida Senate Appropriations Chair, District 16, Pinellas/Pasco</p> <p><i>Senator Jack Latvala (R-District 16) is one of the most influential legislators in Florida. He’s one of the few Floridians who’s been returned by voters to the State Senate on two separate occasions, first serving from 1994-2002, and then returning in 2009 to present when he was motivated to run again because the Florida House of Representatives voted to allow oil drilling within three miles of the Gulf beaches. During his first term, he was named by the Wall Street Journal as a rising star and was consistently ranked as one of the top 10 most effective Senators in an annual survey by the Miami Herald.</i></p> <p><i>Today, Senator Latvala serves as the powerful Chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee. Combining both of his terms of service, more than 175 pieces of legislation he’s been a sponsor of, have become law. He’s even been called “the most powerful independent voice among Republicans,” voting on what he thinks is the best decision for Florida, not his party. He has been a solid champion on protecting the state’s precious environmental resources and a strong advocate of home rule.</i></p> <p><i>As a possible 2018 Gubernatorial Candidate, Senator Latvala has one of the most unique perspectives on Florida politics and the legislative process. He’ll share his “inside the trenches” stories from the 2017 legislative session and give us his predictions for the future.</i></p>
3:00 – 3:45 pm	<p>Competitive Pay; The Consequences of Public Power becoming a Minor League Farm Club for Coops and IOUs, Carl Mycoff, Managing Director, Mycoff, Fry & Prouse LLC, Conifer, CO</p> <p><i>Workforce retention is an area of critical concern for public power utilities. Public power utilities provide highly reliable electric service at comparably low cost, yet they also generally pay less than other electric utilities.</i></p> <p><i>This pay disparity threatens to undermine the public power advantage as qualified employees may be tempted to work for other utilities or may not even consider working for public power utilities to begin with.</i></p> <p><i>Learn what you can do at your utility to hire and retain highly qualified employees and be a competitive player in the workforce arena.</i></p>
3:45 – 4:30 pm	<p>A Florida Perspective on the Future of Energy, Carbon Regulation, and a Consumer-Centric Business Model, Lisa Johnson, CEO and General Manager, Seminole Electric Cooperative, Inc., Tampa</p> <p><i>Energy industry trends across the U.S. and here in the Sunshine State are changing quickly. Many challenges are looming that will change the way we operate our utility. Utility leaders and policymakers must stay up-to-date on these issues and implement solutions locally. Hear about some of these energy industry trends including advocacy and collaboration on policy matters, as well as the importance of providing value to the consumer.</i></p>

6:00 – 7:30 pm	D	Reception Honoring Elected and Appointed Officials
Thursday, July 20		
7:00 – 5:00 pm		Registration Desk Open
7:00 – 8:00 am		Fellowship Breakfast (separate ticket purchase required)
7:45 – 8:30 am	*	Continental Breakfast (<i>open to all conference attendees</i>)
8:30 am – Noon		Morning General Session
8:30 – 9:15		<p>Where is Solar Power Headed for the Sunshine State? Stephen Smith, Executive Director, Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, Knoxville, Tenn.</p> <p><i>Generating electricity from the sun is a technology that all of us know well. While there is no state mandated renewable energy portfolio, solar energy in Florida is growing. Many utilities, including Florida public power utilities, are responding to their community's input and advancing solar projects in response to what their customers want. As a key advocate for solar power in Florida, Stephen Smith will share his thoughts and discuss how solar power development could unfold in the coming years in Florida.</i></p>
9:15 – 10:00 am		<p>Development of Small Modular Reactor (SMR) Technology for the Municipal Market, Douglas Hunter, CEO and General Manager, Utah Associated Municipal Power Systems, Salt Lake City, Utah</p> <p><i>With environmental regulatory changes taking place nationally, municipal electric utilities need to explore options for future needs for baseload power. Many large coal plants that have provided stable baseload power supply for decades are nearing the end of their life cycles, and while the regulatory climate of the future of coal is uncertain, trends have turned away from the use of fossil fuels. Natural gas seems to be the preferred fuel of the future, but too much dependency on one fuel also raises concerns. And while the use of renewable energy, efficiency programs and distributed generation is increasing, electric utilities need to look at all options as they plan for the future to secure a reliable resource for long-term energy needs.</i></p> <p><i>Hear an overview of some of the environmental, regulatory and market changes facing municipal electric utilities, and how one utility is turning to small modular reactors to help them prepare for their future energy needs.</i></p>
10:15 – 11:00		<p>You Can't Make This Up – An Insider's View of Washington, Michael Nolan, President, MJN Consulting, Washington, D.C.</p> <p><i>One of our most popular speakers returns for an annual update on energy and politics in Washington, D.C. Michael Nolan will provide us with his insights regarding the latest on the new White House, Congressional agenda and the outlook on energy policy, including issues facing public power.</i></p> <p><i>Come with your toughest questions and be prepared for straight talk from the Washington insider.</i></p>
11:00 – Noon		<p>24 Hours Inside the President's Bunker: Leadership in a Crisis, Lieutenant Colonel Robert J. Darling, USMC (Ret.), Stafford, Va.</p> <p><i>Lt. Col. Darling retired from the United States Marine Corps in 2007 with just over</i></p>

	<p><i>twenty years of active duty service. After an impressive early career piloting attack helicopters in Desert Shield, Desert Storm, and as a presidential pilot with Marine Helicopter Squadron One, he was handpicked in October 2000 to work for the White House Military Office, Airlift Operations Department.</i></p> <p><i>It was in this position that, during the attack of September 11, 2001, he supported the President, Vice President and National Security Advisor in the underground President's Emergency Operations Center (PEOC) and witnessed unprecedented leadership and decision making at the highest levels of our government.</i></p> <p><i>Lt. Col. Darling will chronicle these developments and share the principles of crisis leadership and decision making with an "edge of your seat" presentation that'll take you from the moment the attack was realized, to the courageous decisions made to stop it, to the safeguards and policies our country now has in-place in an attempt to prevent it from ever happening again.</i></p>
Noon – 1:30 pm	Luncheon
2:00 – 4:00 pm	<p>Afternoon Breakout Sessions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Legal Seminar ▪ Policy-Makers Forum ▪ Controlling Costs & Providing Outstanding Service for Today and Tomorrow
6:30 – 7:00 pm	Reception
7:00 – 9:00 pm	Annual Banquet

Sawgrass Marriott Golf Resort & Spa

1000 PGA TOUR Boulevard
Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082 US
Phone: 904-285-7777 Fax: 904-285-0906



Reservation for Tom Perona

Online Confirmation Number: 32JWLNZT

Check-in: Jul 18, 2017 (Check-in time: 4:00 PM)

Check-out: Jul 21, 2017 (Check-out time: 11:00 AM)

Dear Tom Perona,

We are pleased to confirm your reservation with Marriott. Below is a summary of your booking and room information. We look forward to making your stay gratifying and memorable. When you're traveling away from home you can always count on Marriott.

Sawgrass Marriott Golf Resort & Spa

Reservation Details

Confirmation number: 32JWLNZT

Your hotel: Sawgrass Marriott Golf Resort & Spa

Check-in: Jul 18, 2017 (Check-in time: 4:00 PM)

Check-out: Jul 21, 2017 (Check-out time: 11:00 AM)

Room type: Standard Guestroom - 1 King or 2 Doubles

Number of rooms: 1

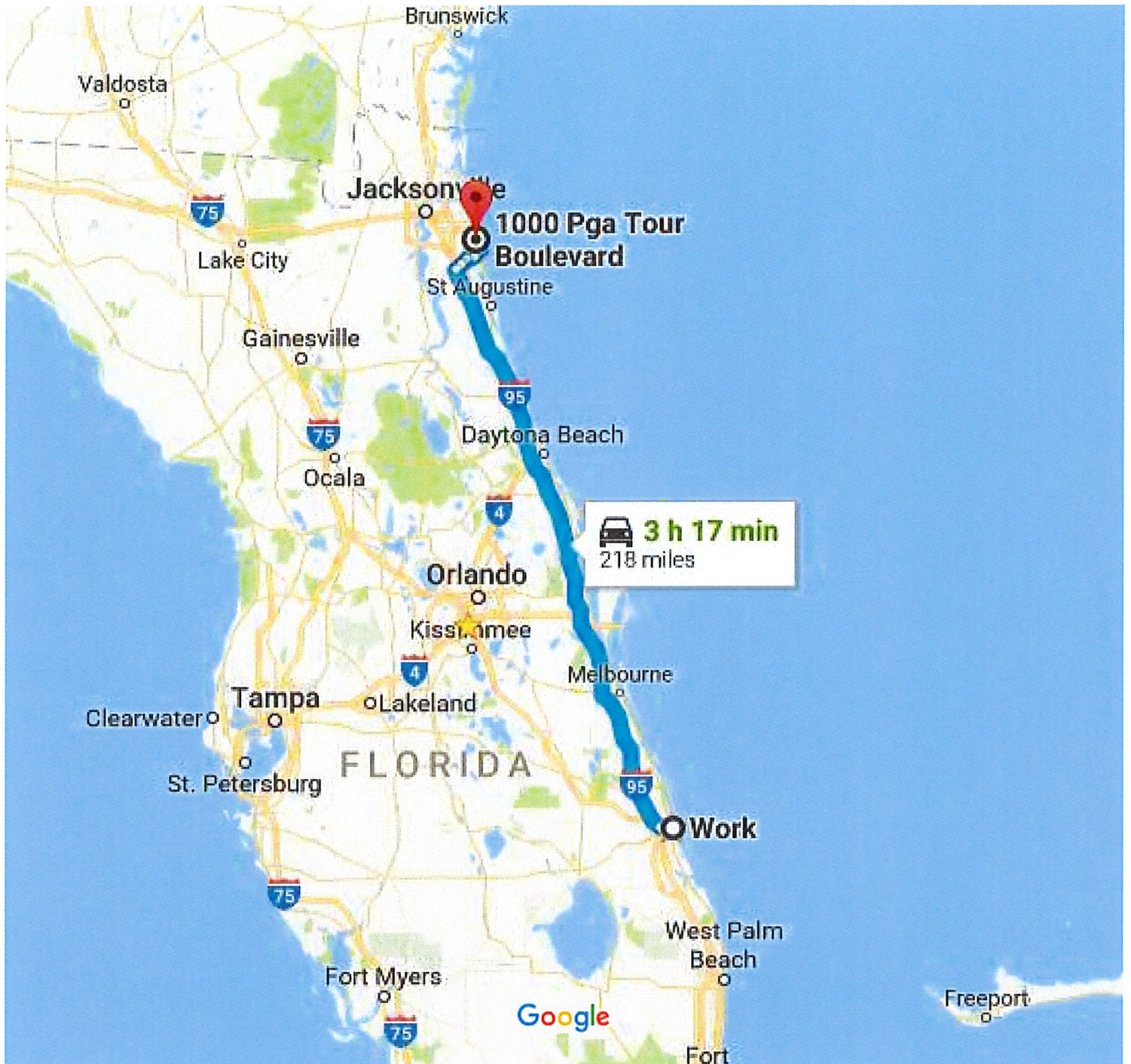
Guests per room: 1

Guest name: Tom Perona

Reservation confirmed: May 30, 2017

Guarantee method: Credit Card

Summary of Room Charges	Cost per night per room (USD)
Jul 18, 2017 - Jul 21, 2017	165.00
Estimated taxes and fees	Room Rates shown do not include 6.5% State Tax, 4% County Tax (subject to change) and any applicable resort fees.
Total for stay (for all rooms) not including applicable taxes/fees	495.00
Add-Ons: Sawgrass Marriott Golf Resort & Spa will make every effort to accommodate the below requests, however they are not guaranteed. <ul style="list-style-type: none">K1	



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100 US-1

Fort Pierce, FL 34950

Get on I-95 N from Orange Ave

10 min (4.5 mi)

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