



Golf Tourney Gets Title Sponsor

KM/Plaza Construction Services steps up to be title sponsor of the CASF Annual Charity Golf Classic, which will be held at Fort Lauderdale Country Club on May 8. *"Although my firm holds it's own golf tournament each year I feel strongly about this event and the charities CASF has selected.*

We as members have a responsibility to support them in any way we can," said Brad Meltzer of KM/Plaza.

"Being the Title Sponsor of the Tour-

namment is a major monetary commitment," remarked Mike Fee, chairman of the Golf Committee, *"We have approached several companies throughout the years to be the Title Sponsor and this is the first year someone actually said yes."*

Joining KM/Plaza as major sponsors are: **Moss & Associates, Stiles Construction Co., Lotspeich Co. of Florida, Coastal Construction, Form Works, Temporary Personnel, Miller Construction Co., National Jet, Baker Concrete Contractors, AWSI Masonry and United Rentals.**

This year's charities are the Cooperative Feeding Program, Junior

Achievement of South Florida and Children's Aid Club.

The The Cooperative Feeding Program (CFP) is a registered 501(c)3 charity that offers diverse services to area families and individuals experiencing economic hardship. Providing nearly 400 daily, hot, and nutritious

meals to Broward's hungry residents, The CFP has served Broward since 1985.

Junior Achievement of South Florida was found-

ed in 1959 and served just 373 high school students during its first year. Programs now span grades K-12, with age-appropriate curricula designed to teach elementary students about their roles as individuals, workers, and consumers and to prepare middle grade and high school students for key economic and workforce issues they will face.

Children's Aid Club was founded in 1955 by women who recognized a need in the community to assist children and their families suffering from medical, financial, and social hardships. There are countless numbers of children whose hardships do not fit into existing programs. These children are the focus of the charity.



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Florida's demand for energy efficient "green" projects will intensify in 2008, according to Bob Moss, president and CEO of **Moss & Associates.**

"Already, this trend is beginning to reshape the our region's construction industry," said Moss.

Current Moss projects being constructed to meet LEED-certification criteria are:

- Pompano Beach Branch, Broward County Public Library
- U of M Interdisciplinary Wet Lab Research Facility, in Miami, seeking Silver LEED Certification
- U.S. Citizenship & Immigration Services field offices in Miami, Kendall, Hialeah, Fort Lauderdale and Royal Palm Beach - all five buildings designed for Silver LEED Certification

Miller Construction Company is "recycling" an older facility and adding state-of-the-art "green" features to create the new corporate headquarters for Republic Services, Inc., a leading nationwide provider of environmental services and one of the largest publicly traded companies in South Florida.

When completed in mid-2008, the 65,000-square-foot Class A office building in Sunrise, Florida, will be one of South Florida's first corporate headquarters registered to achieve silver Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certification from the U.S. Green Building Council.



Republic headquarters rendering

Financial Planning & Investment Management

Each month Construction FOCUS features a CASF member company, selected by drawing a business card from among those attending the monthly networking breakfast. The next breakfast, sponsored by Pavarini Construction Company, will be held on Thursday, April 17, 7:30 a.m. at Shula's Hotel in Miami Lakes.

Craig G. Richman, CLU, ChFC, AIF®, is President of Richman Advisor TM, an independent registered investment advisory firm located in Boca Raton since

help them make the smartest decisions about their money." Richman has built high-trust client relationships with the elite of South Florida's commercial construction industry in providing financial planning and investment management.

The areas of financial disciplines that may be thoroughly evaluated are insurance, estate,

investment, retirement, corporate benefits, business and tax. After examination of all factors that impact financial life, Richman Advisors presents their clients with a detailed evaluation of the analysis and make distinct recommendations to improve their financial roadmap.

Craig Richman has been a member of the CASF since 2002 and currently serves

as the association's investment consultant. He is an active member attending many of the networking functions and volunteering on committees. In the past he has chaired the Scholarship fund-raising committee to raise funds for college students pursuing education in construction. He has written numerous financial articles for the construction industry and recently was published in a national publication.

Richman received the ACCREDITED INVESTMENT FIDUCIARY (AIF®) designation from the Center of Fiduciary Studies and the University of Pittsburgh's Joseph M. Katz Graduate School of Business.

"Our independence enables us to remain unbiased and to seek the best investment solutions in the industry. Richman Advisor TM is uniquely qualified to provide investment analysis", comments Richman. "We also have partnered with Symmetry Partners, a Registered Investment Adviser (RIA) that specializes in Dimensional Fund Advisors index mutual fund platform. DFA's approach to investing is grounded in rigorous, unbiased academic research. This approach offers our clients lower volatility, lower expenses, capital preservation and lower tax exposure.

"Working with CASF has been a constant rewarding experience on both a professional and personal basis. I thoroughly enjoy working with this great industry."

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An Alliance Between OSHA and CASF

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and the Construction Association of South Florida (CASF) recognize the value of establishing a collaborative relationship to foster safer and more healthful American workplaces. OSHA and CASF have formed an Alliance to provide CASF members and others in the construction industry with information, guidance, and access to training resources that will help them protect employees' health and safety. In particular, the Alliance will focus on reducing and preventing hard to reach workers' exposure to falls, trenching and excavation, scaffold, confined space, struck by, steel erection and electrical hazards and other prevalent safety hazards in the construction industry. In developing this Alliance, OSHA and CASF recognize that OSHA's State Plan and Onsite Consultation Project partners are an integral part of the OSHA national effort.

OSHA, to the extent its resources permit, and CASF will work together to achieve the following training and education goals:

- ◆ Develop training and education programs for construction safety and health issues such as fall protection, trenching and excavation, steel erection, struck-by and electrical, scaffold and confined space safety.
- ◆ Develop training and education programs in English and Spanish, addressing a wide range of construction safety and health issues such as fall protection, trenching and excavation, steel erection, struck-by and electrical,

scaffold and confined space safety.

- ◆ Deliver or arrange for the delivery of the training and education programs in English and Spanish, on construction industry safety and health issues such as fall protection, trenching and excavation, steel erection, struck-by and electrical, scaffold and confined space safety.

OSHA, to the extent its resources permit, and CASF



will work together to achieve the following outreach and communication goals:

- ◆ Developing information on the recognition and prevention of workplace hazards, and to provide expertise in developing ways of communicating such information (e.g. print and electronic media, electronic assistance tools and OSHA's and CASF's Web sites) to employers and employees in the construction industry.
- ◆ Speak, exhibit, or appear at OSHA's or CASF's conferences, local meetings, and other safety events, such as the Construction Safety Expo.
- ◆ Share information among OSHA personnel and industry safety and health professionals regarding CASF's best practices or

effective approaches and publicize results through outreach by CASF and through OSHA or CASF developed materials, training programs, workshops, seminars and lectures (or any other applicable forum).

- ◆ Promote and encourage CASF members' or worksites' participation in OSHA's cooperative programs such as compliance assistance, the Voluntary Protection Program, Onsite Consultation, and its Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program.

◆ Encourage CASF members to build relationships with OSHA's Regional and Area Offices to address health and safety issues.

OSHA, to the extent its resources permit, and CASF will work together to achieve the following goals related to promoting the national dialogue on workplace safety and health:

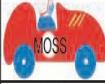
- ◆ Convene or participate in forums, round table discussions, or stakeholder meetings on construction industry safety and health issues to help forge innovative solutions in the workplace.

OSHA's Alliances provide parties an opportunity to participate in a voluntary cooperative relationship with OSHA for purposes such as training and education, outreach and communication and promoting a national dialogue on workplace safety and health. These Alliances have proved to be valuable tools for both OSHA and its Alliance participants. By entering into an Alliance with a party, OSHA is not endorsing any of that party's products or services; nor does the Agency enter into an Alliance with the purpose of promoting a particular party's products or services.

2008 Membership Challenge

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