

GULF COAST CHAPTER QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

April 2022



The President's Pen

Lisa Kassman



— COMING UP —

I am happy to say that we are back in full swing with events at the Gulf Coast Chapter!

We had a highly successful mixer at Saint Arnold's back in January followed by our golf tournament in March. The Southern Region conference was a great event in Fort Worth, and we have more events in the works!

Congratulations to Danny Brewster of IBI – Southern Region Planner of the Year!

Congratulations to Stantec & Katy ISD for the Summit Award for the Outdoor Learning Center.

On May 4 there will be a Texas Education Agency (TEA) update presented by Kerri Brady, Huckabee and Gary Hutton, Spring ISD. A social mixer at Loft 18 on June 16 will be our next social mixer. Look for upcoming registration!

We all continue to struggle with price increases and material delays. There are also many School Bond propositions upcoming in May – good luck to all! We will be planning an event in June for school district representatives to discuss timing and scheduling of projects so that we are able to support one another.

As always, thank you for your continued support!

- **May 4, 2022**
TEA Updates
Tarkett Showroom
6010 C Washington Ave
Houston, TX 77007
- **June 16, 2022**
Chapter Social Mixer
Loft 18
2313 Edwards St, #200
Houston, Texas 77007

TEA Updates by Kerri Brady & Gary Hutton
Wednesday, May 4, 2022

Tarkett Showroom

6010 C Washington Ave, Houston, TX 77007

Time: 12:00pm – 1:00pm

Limited Seating for 45 only, RSVP required by
Monday May 2nd 5pm, lunch provided



Chapter Summer Mixer
Thursday, June 16, 2022

[HOUSTON, TX | Indoor Golf | Loft18 |](#)

2313 Edwards St, #200 Houston, Texas 77007

Time: 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM

RSVP required; Sponsorship Opportunities available



A4LE Gulf Coast Chapter Golf Tournament, March 7, 2022

On Monday March 7, 2022, our chapter hosted the Annual Golf tournament at the Wildcat Golf Course. It was a sold-out event and enjoyed by everyone who attended. Congratulations to the winners of the tournament and thank you for everyone who played in the chilly weather and all the sponsors. We could not have done this without you.



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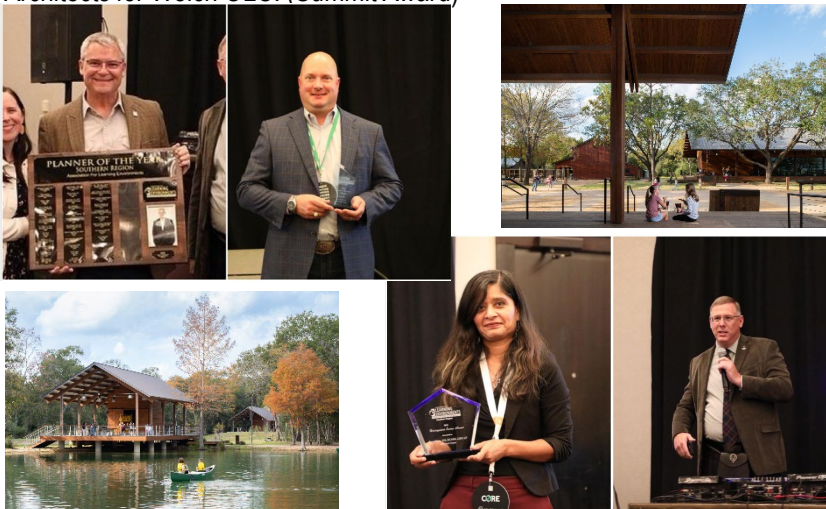
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Southern Region Conference, Fort Worth, March 29, 2022 Recap

The Southern Region conference was well represented by our Gulf Coast Chapter members. The speaker sessions and tours were great. Congratulations to our Chapter winners at the event namely Easy Foster, Danny Brewster, Gary Hutton, Parul Vyas and Katy ISD/Stantec Architects for Welch OLC. (Summit Award)



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Learning for All, A Call to Action, October 5-9, 2022
San Antonio, TX



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A4LE Gulf Coast Chapter Membership Outreach

At a couple of recent events, I've been asked by other chapters what our secret to retaining membership has been. I can't take any credit, as this chapter has been successful long before my role in this position. I can only add that I've seen the strong turn out at both social and professional events alike. I believe the opportunities created are what make this chapter successful.

If you are a current member or thinking of becoming a member and have not had the opportunity to attend one of the conferences or join one of our tours or events, mark your calendar and plan on joining our next event. We'd love to see you there.

Please see link below for membership information:

https://www.a4le.org/A4LE/Membership/A4LE/Membership/Membership_Categories.aspx?hkey=3dfc118f-b154-443e-b998-d59e15bb712c

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