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CULPEPPER & TERPENING, INC. MENTORS' ST. LUCIE WEST K thru 8th GRADE TO VICTORY In the EXTREME ENERGY EDUCATION EVENT (XE-3) ALTERNATIVE FUEL GO-KART RACING CHALLENGE Hosted by FP&L and TCERDA

FORT PIERCE, Florida/May 18, 2011 - Culpepper & Terpening, Inc. is pleased to announce that the Treasure Coast Research Park's "Extreme Energy Education Event" was a huge success! Steven Doyle, P.E., Bill Archebelle and Roberto Cabrera mentored the 6th and 7th graders of St. Lucie West K- 8th in the development of an alternative fuel racing go-kart. The students and mentors spent countless hours both in and out of the classroom developing their vehicle and learning the basic science of mechanics. The Extreme Energy Education Event was hosted at the Treasure Coast Research Park, in Fort Pierce. This was the 2nd Annual event within the Treasure Coast where St. Lucie West students researched, designed, fabricated and assembled alternative powered go-karts.

Culpepper & Terpening staff supported the event by providing volunteers, tents, transportation, tools, signage and other resources to assure a successful day for the students, participants and patrons. The program could not have been successful had it not been for the many area businesses supporting the event through donations, volunteers and in-kind support.

St. Lucie West K-8th, also known as the "Home of the Sharks", competed with eight other schools in the region with students winning their fair share of ribbons and trophies including the *People's Choice Award*, the *Fastest Elapsed Time* for an electric car and also received the *Overall Grand Award*. Students were judged not just on speed and vehicle performance but on technical knowledge, participation, social interaction, and public speaking.

Each school selected a theme for their vehicle. St. Lucie West students selected an Indy-500 racing car as their theme. Fitted with aerodynamic front hood, a solar panel roof spoiler and a deployable drag chute, the kart raced down the track as speeds approaching 30-mph. For more information about the event please visit tcpalm.com.

Culpepper and Terpening is a multidisciplinary consulting firm with over three decades of specialization in civil engineering and surveying services on Florida's Treasure Coast.

C & T has pioneered the solutions to some of Florida's most unique engineering challenges for both public and private clients. As the region has grown, so has the organization to comprise seven disciplines necessary to further facilitate the Treasure Coasts' Infrastructure needs; Transportation, Utilities, Schools & Institutions, Land Development, Surveying, Construction Engineering Inspection and Financial Planning. Culpepper and Terpening, Inc. corporate office is located at 2980 South 25th St. in Fort Pierce. They may be reached by calling 772-464-3537 or visiting ct-eng.com on the web.

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