LEE COUNTY

MOSQUITO/HYACINTH CONTROL DISTRICTS





Newsletter, March, 2013

Important Calendar Dates:

Mar. 5th: 3 Oaks Middle, Shelly Redovan

Mar. 7th: Board Mtg. 9:00 am

Mar. 11th: Pond Watch Annual Workshop—11

am—1 pm

Mar. 18-19th: Legislative Days—Tallahassee

Mar. 19th: Harnes Marsh School Days

Mar. 22nd: EPA Regulatory Tour

Editor's Note: I left out an important person in the February Newsletter who taught "Arbovirus A to Z in Plain Language" at the Dodd short courses. Jim Burgess is scheduled to teach this course through 2016.

The annual "American Mosquito Control Association" meeting was held in Atlantic City, New Jersey, February 24-28th. There are over 40 Exhibitors signed up.

Aquatic Systems Mosquito Education (ASME) educators from Lee County Mosquito Control District were on site at the Edison Regional Science and Inventors Fair. This fair was held on campus at FGCU. Pictured is Sabrina Perri, FGCU intern, talking with visitors to our exhibit. Parents, students and science-fair participants had the opportunity to view a number of live aquatic insects, view a variety of cased insects from around the world, examine species of mosquito larvae and pick up informational hand-outs relevant to the science of mosquito control. Visitors were also provided an overview of the various ASME school programs that are carried out throughout schools in Lee County.



Aquatic Plant Management Society Meeting

The Mid-Winter Aquatic Plant Management society Board of Directors' meeting was held Feb. 19th in San Antonio, TX. The Board meets semi-annually with liaisons from the Aquatic Eco System Restoration Foundation, the Bass Anglers Sportsman Society, the Council for Agricultural Science & Technology, the North American Lake Management Society, the Responsible Industry for a Sound Environment, the Weed Science Society of America and a Science Policy Director in Washington D.C. The Board of Directors also makes preparations for the annual July conference, which will also be held in San Antonio. Committee Chairman Don Doggett attended this meeting.



2013 Field Activity

ACRES	GROUND	AERIAL	GROUND	AERIAL	SERVICE
TREATED	ADULTICIDING	ADULTICIDING	LARVICIDING	LARVICIDING	REQUESTS
January	10,763.6	0.0	18.0	0.0	65.0
February					28.0
March					
April					
May					
June					
July					
August					
September					

A group called "LAAS International" visited our District February 21st. They are aviation enthusiasts from the southern part of England. "LAAS" provides tours throughout the world to photograph DC-3's, however, they are interested in all types of aircraft. They also include museums in their tour. David Seex, Chairman of this group has brought aviation tourists to our district in the past and tells how they enjoy visiting us. Rita Maiss took them on an aircraft tour.



The Discovery Days were held at the "Imaginarium," February 24th. Jim McKeever and Rita Maiss took a helicopter to be part of the science exhibitors. Sabrina, Maria and Richard are FGCU Interns with ASME and were on hand all day to explain our mosquito programs to students and their parents. The students also had many questions for Jim and Rita about our helicopters and how we fight Lee County's mosquito problems with them.



