

LEE COUNTY

MOSQUITO/HYACINTH CONTROL DISTRICTS



November, 2014



Nov. 4—Election Day

Nov. 6th—Board Mtg. 10:00 am

Nov. 9—12th FMCA Mtg.

Nov. 18th—Friends “6-Mile Cypress” Tour

Nov. 19th—Imaginarium Tour—Eric Jackson

Nov. 27-28—Thanksgiving Holiday

Kevin Watts, Operations Manager of Lee Hyacinth Control District, reported that LCHCD has been working with the City of Bonita Springs Public Works Department on developing and improving our efforts to control water lettuce and water hyacinth in Lee County public waterways. Some of the areas for concern and addressed to date are: Leitner Creek, Rosemary Creek and Oak Creek all of which flow directly into the Imperial River. A continuous work project between our District, City of Bonita Springs and Shangri-La Springs’ staff to help eliminate water lettuce from Oak Creek has yielded optimum results. Thanks largely to the cooperation and with the excellent work efforts performed by the folks from Shangri-La Springs, continuous site monitoring and timely action plans have directly benefited LCHCD’s long-term plant management strategies for our local waterways.



BEFORE

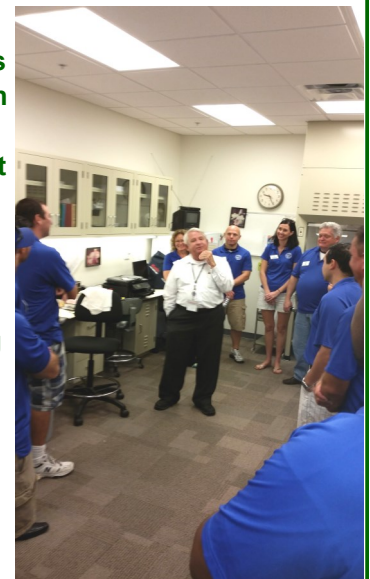


AFTER

Please welcome new employee Sean O’Neill who will be working in the Finance/Accounting Department as a Senior Accountant. His office phone number is Ext. 2121. He has worked in Lee County Government, in the Clerk of Circuit Courts, for 17 years. Stop in and introduce yourself.

October 2nd, Lee County Mosquito and Hyacinth Control Districts welcomed the *Leadership Cape Coral* group.

After viewing our Districts’ video, our Executive Director, T. Wayne Gale, took them on a bus tour of our grounds and a stop to look at our aircraft. This past year, our tour groups have loved to be able to see into our DC-3. Jim Burgess gave a presentation on our Surveillance and Laboratory procedures; Kevin Watts explained Hyacinth Control’s aquatic/ water management in Lee County; Katie Heggemeier explained a power point presentation of our Adulticiding procedures and Bryan Smith took over to show our Larviciding procedures.



2014 Field Activity

ACRES TREATED	GROUND ADULTICIDING	AERIAL ADULTICIDING	GROUND LARVICIDING	AERIAL LARVICIDING	SERVICE REQUESTS
January	4,643.4	0.0	1.1	0.0	17.0
February	7,240.3	0.0	35.0	1,166.2	57.0
March	2,213.2	0.0	11.6	1,902.5	50.0
April	17,845.0	0.0	24.1	427.0	124.0
May	21,112.4	0.0	41.8	3,498.3	199.0
June	56,243.1	0.0	72.4	7,742.4	485.0
July	107,731.4	168,064.3	177.7	11,323.9	630.0
August	96,620.4	385,596.3	182.5	13,459.1	365.0
September	42,109.3	92,863.7	223.6	6,127.2	334.0
October	76,794.6	179,695.9	74.5	968.2	438.0
November					
December					
Y-T-D Totals					

Dangerous Goods Seminar—October 13th, Angel Monges, Supply Coordinator, and Brian Cotterill, Safety & Compliance Officer, attended a *FedEx Shipping Dangerous Goods* seminar in Orlando. This class trains shippers the necessary procedures to identify, pack, and label the document for shipping that may pose a risk to health, safety, property or environment. We all were reminded of the crash of ValuJet in 1996 where improperly packaged oxygen generators caused a crash and the death of 110 people.



After three days, this class ended with a proctored exam leading to a goal of a FedEx Certificate of Completion. One of the text books was over 900 pages deep.



“Our Mosquito Education Outreach Program participated in the annual J.N. Ding Darling National Wildlife Refuge Family Fun Day, Sunday, Oct. 19th. Eric Jackson, Education Resource Specialist and students from FGCU shared living aquatic macro-invertebrates; cased native and exotic insects and information on how to reduce the amount of mosquitoes from yards with the refuge visitors. Younger participants made models of mosquitoes and learned how mosquitoes undergo metamorphosis.”

