

LEE COUNTY

MOSQUITO/HYACINTH CONTROL DISTRICTS



October, 2015



October 2nd: United Way Mtg. 7:30 am Trng. Room

October 8th: Board Meeting, 10:00 am

October 9th: Ft. Myers Christian Church Tour, Eric

October 15th: Flu Shots, Trng. Room 7:30-9:00 am

October 15th: Shelly Redovan FMCA Finance Mtg., Apokpa, FL

Lehigh Acres Municipal Services Improvement District, nee East Lee County Water District, held a *Florida Retirement System Employee Seminar* on September 24th. This meeting addressed retirement benefits and topics that deal with the FRS. Some of our employees attended this seminar.

It's been very busy out there in the field for the Hyacinth troops this past month. We've made consistent progress in controlling a multitude of aquatic plant species growing at an aggressive rate throughout the Lee County's waters this summer. Efforts have yielded much success and, with due diligence, our LCHCD staff has responded well in providing excellent results with treatment applications and established stocking of triploid grass carp. We're in the middle of our productive vegetative growing season with bountiful work still ahead. This year's No.2 on our most troublesome plant list has been muskgrass (*Chara* spp.). In appearance it looks as if it's a vascular plant with true leaves, but a closer inspection reveals it's a higher form of macrophytic algae. It's native and immensely beneficial to our local freshwater ecosystems, producing beneficial habitat and water transparency improvement through filtering organics from the water column. Though at times, it does have a tendency to grow at a rapid pace and spread throughout shallow littoral shelves. It may become an eyesore for residents and a potential flood concern due to the reduction of water exiting a system. This is when LCHCD staff steps in to help with controlling the problem and providing aesthetic improvements to our local waterways. Give the Hyacinth staff a pat on the back the next time you see them... for a job well done!



2015 Field Activity

ACRES TREATED	GROUND ADULTICIDING	AERIAL ADULTICIDING	GROUND LARVICIDING	AERIAL LARVICIDING	SERVICE REQUESTS
January	7,697.7	0.0	15.3	0.0	72.0
February	0.0	0.0	8.9	127.1	25.0
March	12,718.4	0.0	11.4	862.4	121.0
April	15,206.4	0.0	11.5	570.2	119.0
May	27,582.1	0.0	64.4	9,255.8	240.0
June	126,786.4	106,848.6	190.1	9,695.7	666.0
July	134,791.8	376,448.7	280.0	9,525.6	445.0
August	136,135.1	571,385.1	263.1	3,029.2	2,098.0
September					484.0
October					
November					
December					
Y-T-D Totals					

Personnel changes for our summer staff; Student Summer Assistants: Brad Owens, Javares Canty, Angel Hernandez and John "Buddy" Parker left to get ready for new school semesters.

Brad Owens will remain in John White's department throughout the year as an on-call spray truck driver.

Mark Mavrelis has been hired as an on-call evening spray truck driver.

James Park has been hired as a part-time Seasonal Laboratory Technician and he will be working on Mondays and Fridays in Ernesto's lab.

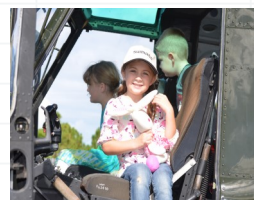
Todd Burik has been hired as a Seasonal Courier who will be working in Purchasing and Supply until the end of October.

FMCA is gearing up for their Fall Meeting, Nov. 15—18th, in St. Augustine, FL. Shelly Redovan is advising members to make their room reservations at the Renaissance World Golf Village Resort to get the available discounted room rate. To book your group rate use the Florida Mosquito Control Board; and guest reservations may be made by calling 888-789-3090.



Clyde Nabers and Ed Foley working in Boca

The 2nd Annual Matlacha/ Pine Island Fire Control District was held Saturday, October 3rd. In attendance were: LCMCD, Sheriff Dept., State Fire Marshall's Bomb Squad, Fire Trucks, etc.



Tim Day, formerly a Cape Coral Councilman, sent two gentlemen, J.C. and Joe, from Greenville, FL which is in Madison County to visit our district. Tim Day is Town Manager of Greenville. This small town is now updating their mosquito control service and they do other jobs, such as fireman, dog catcher, etc. Carmen McKinney showed them our spray equipment and Shelly Redovan showed them the Florida State's requirements to get a Public Health license and gave them a manual.

