

LEE COUNTY MOSQUITO/HYACINTH CONTROL DISTRICTS



June, 2016



June 16th—Estero Woman Club Mtg. Shelly Redovan.

June 21st—Board Mtg.

Brian Murphy and Eric Jackson, Resource Specialists for the Lee County Mosquito Control District, gave a presentation on collaborative partnerships between mosquito control agencies and local school districts at the Florida Association of Science Supervisor's annual meeting in Orlando. School district science directors and coordinators from around the state learned about the unique partnership between Lee County Mosquito Control District, the School District of Lee County and Florida Gulf Coast University.

In addition to completing a bioassay using *Bacillus sphaericus* against *Culex* mosquito larvae, the science coordinators were encouraged to reach out to other local mosquito control agencies to learn more about the various outreach opportunities offered.

News from Susan. We will have four (4) students working this summer. Brittany Sisson, Taylor Harris and Norme Ambroise who will report to Don Claytor; plus Richard Fisher who will be working as a Seasonal Service Request Inspector and will be reporting to John White.

Following is a list of night trap truck drivers who will be returning to work this mosquito season:

Harry Crump	Mae English
Robert Fischer	Dan King
Keith Moore	Sonny Moore
Pete Jeter	Hunter Stygstra
Marc Stygstra	Andy Skiba

May 25th, James Burgess retired as Manager, Scientific Intelligence. Jim worked at LCMCD for 41 years and really brought our labs into the 21st Century. He was also known as "chicken man."



Scott Johnson retired May 31st as Fleet Mechanic and had worked at LCMCD for 28 years. Scott was our expert with any kind of tire that was ever made for trucks and various other equipment.



Paul Morgan retired June 3rd as an LCMCD Aerial Inspector. He has worked for LCMCD for 13.3 years. Paul's Larviciding crew generally worked in the southern part of Lee County checking and treating breeding sites.



The AMCA Washington Legislative Days were May 10th and 11th. Our LCMCD group met with the Florida Legislators to discuss mosquito problems.



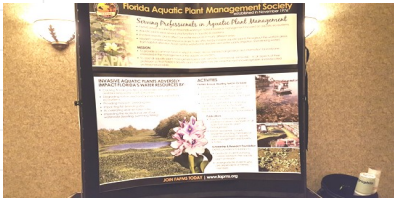
Commissioners Melissa Dortch, Brian Farrar, Pat Mann, Richard Paul, Exec. Dir. T. Wayne Gale and Disease Surveillance Specialist Milton Sterling met with U.S. Congressman Curt Clawson, who represents the 19th Congressional District in Florida, to discuss funding for mosquito control.

ACRES TREATED	GROUND ADULTICIDING	AERIAL ADULTICIDING	GROUND LARVICIDING	AERIAL LARVICIDING	SERVICE REQUESTS
January	10,857.0	0.0	5.8	308.1	70.0
February	52,259.0	34,886.0	43.0	218.0	378.0
March	17,977.0	0.0	13.0	0.0	148.0
April	40,318.0	0.0	9.0	292.0	191.0
May					321.0
June					
July					
August					
September					
October					
November					
December					
Y-T-D Totals					

Lee County Hyacinth Control District staff attended the Aquatic Short Course in Fort Lauderdale in May. The annual meeting was very well-suited towards the aquatic applicator and provided an excellent educational venue. With over 400 registered participants at this event, it was a great opportunity for all to share information with fellow professionals in their field of expertise. Some of the topics covered were: equipment calibration, plant identification, safety awareness and compliance, public water permitting and understanding product labels. Most of the primary emphasis was implied upon Florida’s waters, which helps out immensely on collaboration efforts and networking with private, state, federal, districts and local government entities. This industry garners a lot of attention on the future health of all waterbodies, knowledge acquired through these types of courses helps to provide the necessary tools to make informed decisions in a professional manner.



Keith Andreu and a Vendor



From Susan: Jim Burgess, Manager-Scientific Intelligence and Scott Johnson, Fleet Mechanic, will be retiring May 31, 2016. Please join me in wishing both Jim and Scott all the best in their retirements.

Bill Nolen, ULV Truck Operator and Peter Modys, On-Call Pilot have both resigned from their positions.

A Vehicle-Career Day was held at Franklin Park Magnet School May 18th. Our pilots, Rita Maiss and Mike Haslam, took a helicopter to this event. The children ranged from Pre-K to 5th Grade and they were thrilled to sit and have pictures taken while in the helicopter. The weather was rainy but the kids did not mind.

