LEE COUNTY

MOSQUITO/HYACINTH CONTROL DISTRICTS







January, 2017

Jan. 30—Feb. 3rd, Dodd Short Courses, Altamonte Springs, FL

Feb. 6th—Chemical Skills Training, C. Pappas, 7 am

Feb. 9th—Board Mtg. 10:00 am

Feb. 13-16th—AMCA Mtg., San Diego

Feb. 24th—Leadership Lee County

News from Susan-H.R.: Dr. Jonathan Hornby; Deputy Director, Mosquito Control & Scientific Intelligence, will be retiring from the Districts on 01/31/2017. Katie Baker has been promoted to the Deputy Director position and will now be responsible for all Mosquito Control, Field Validation and Scientific Intelligence.

Keith Lowe has been promoted from IT Manager to IT Director. Joel Canova, Part Time IT Assistant, has accepted a full-time position with the Districts as a Network Support Technician and will continue to report to Keith.

Please join me in wishing Jonathan all the best in retirement and congratulating Katie, Keith and Joel on their new roles with the District.

January 27th, LCMCD was host to the FASD (Florida Assn. of Special Districts) for meetings. The attendance was approximately 100 people. A class was held on Jan. 26th and the full membership met on Jan. 27th with many notable speakers. Executive Director, T. Wayne Gale, welcomed the group to our Districts. Their guest speaker was Frank Mann, Commissioner, Lee County. After lunch, Executive Director Gale took a group on a tour of the districts.

January 30th through February 3rd, the DODD Short Classes will be held in Altamonte Springs and are hosted through the Florida Mosquito Control Association (FMCA). The attendance this year is huge. After the Zika virus came into our country, local health departments asked small counties to get a mosquito control program in place. LCMCD and FMCA received many calls for help.

IN MEMORIAM TO WILLIAM R. OPP

05/31/42-01/22/2017

Executive Director of Lee County Mosquito and Lee County Hyacinth Control Districts.

May 1994 to June 2006

Mr. Opp was the Recipient of the 2006 Stutz Award; past Directors receiving this award were: Paul Hunt 1954, T. Wayne Miller 1995, James Robinson 1996 and Don Hogan 2003. Mr. Opp was FMCA President in 1988 and AMCA President in 2005.

Other notable activities: Member of WHO, Member of AMCA Operations Committee, Expert Committee on Evaluation of Pesticide Application Equipment, serving on the council as a citizen for the Florida Coordinating Council Subcommittee on Managed Marshes; and Member of the AMCA Accreditation Committee.

Bill Opp's service did not end with our industry. Bill has served as Scoutmaster, Merit Badge Councilor/Committeeman for Boy Scouts of America; Lee County Breast Cancer Screening and he has been a member of the Fort Myers' Rotary Club.

Bill Opp also served as Chairman of BUPAC or Businesspeople United for Political Action Committee, board member and past president of the FL Association of Special Districts and served in the Administrative Affairs of his Church.



(This information was compiled by Shelly Redovan, our Deputy Director of Communications, Training and Education)

ACRES TREATED	GROUND ADULTICIDING	AERIAL ADULTICIDING	GROUND LARVICIDING	AERIAL LARVICIDING	SERVICE REQUESTS
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Lee County Mosquito Control and Lee County Hyacinth Control Districts said FARWELL to Dr. Jonathan Hornby. Jon began his LCMCD employment February 01, 1978, after graduating from Florida Institute of Technology, Melbourne, FL. In December of 1981, Jon left to get his Masters of Science in Entomology from the University of Georgia in Athens, GA. Jon then went on to obtain his Doctorate of Philosophy in Entomology from Clemson, SC. Dr. Jonathan Hornby was welcomed back to LCMCD in 09/01/87 until he retired January 31, 2017.

Dr. Hornby took us from the AS 400 and wrote and developed In-House databases such as the Service Request Data Base and others. Before Jon created the service request program, the switchboard receptionists (and helpers) had to hand write all names, address and phone numbers from the public asking for mosquito spraying and hyacinth control calls. Jon has worked on many projects such as developing the wind tunnel, the calibration of granular spraying and helped design the mechanism which used granular, etc. Jon's official title was Deputy Director of Mosquito Control & Scientific Intelligence Section of Lee County Mosquito Control District.

Dr. Jon Hornby and his wife, Pat, will reside in Lehigh Acres and summer in Robbinsville North Carolina and they have two grown children.





Pilots Rita Maiss and Lee Reed took a helicopter to the St. Michael's Open House and School Days on January 27th.



Pictured is the refurbished King Air that was put into the scrap yard by the Department of the Navy and was awarded to LCMCD. Our aircraft mechanics spent long hours to get it overhauled and working. It sat for years in the hot sun in Arizona.

The Aerial Fly-In was held January 9th through the 12th at LCMCD. Mosquito Districts from all over Florida flew in for classes.

Mark Latham—Manatee County and T. Wayne Gale—Lee County welcomed the group.

Many classes were held for three days and covered a wide range of all aspects of planes, helicopters, engines, guidance systems Pilot Safety features, Environmental issues, types of aerial Larviciding; especially in Miami during the Zika scare, etc.

A vendor session was held and a visit to the flight lines for aerial observations and demonstrations of planes and equipment took place.

There training sessions were very well attended by approximately 175 men and women.