

# LEE COUNTY MOSQUITO/HYACINTH CONTROL DISTRICTS



# Newsletter

December, 2009



PEACE AND GOODWILL TO ALL  
LCMCD & LCHCD EMPLOYEES  
AND THEIR FAMILIES



## 81st Annual Meeting of the Florida Mosquito Control Association (FMCA)

The FMCA Fall Meeting was held Nov. 8—11th at the Hyatt Regency in Tampa. Dr. Jeffrey Lockwood was our Keynote Speaker. Dr. Lockwood is the author of *Six-Legged Soldiers: Using Insects as Weapons of War*. He provided a brief overview of using insects, particularly mosquitoes, as a tool of warfare. The presentation was followed by a symposium led by Dr. Roxanne Connelly and Dr. Walter Tabachnick on "Mosquito Control as First Responders; Mosquitoes as weapons to spread disease."



Courtney Satkoski and Neil Wilkinson provided an overview of the Malaria Club at FGCU during the Awards Banquet Tuesday evening. The program provided updates on research from the Florida Medical Entomology (FMEL), Public Health, Entomology Research and Education Center (PHEREC), and the U.S. Department of Agriculture Mosquito and Fly Research Unit (USDA/MFRA) laboratories. At the end of this meeting, Shelly Redovan, who served as Program Chair and President-Elect, was installed as President of the FMCA. *Congratulations, Shelly!*

LCHCD staff attended the 14th Annual Southwest Florida Exotics Conference, Dec. 1st at FGCU. The Conference is a project of the Southwest Florida Cooperative Invasive Species Management Area. The Conference was well attended and over 100 were present from the 5-County region. John Cassani presented information on the District's exotics monitoring project.

Don Doggett attended the Annual Meeting of the FL Agric. Council at the Mid-Florida Research & Education Center in Apopka on Nov. 30th. The Agric. Council is to advance effective research and education programs in food and agricultural sciences and human and natural resources as administered by the Univ. of FL-IFAS. Agenda items included National Inst. Of Food and Agriculture, Update on the College of Agriculture and Live Sciences. Also discussed was the status of search for new IFAS Sr. Vice Pres. Don is one of 15 regional delegates on the Council.

Nov. 12th, Katie Heggemeier & Mike Nichols attended a Natular workshop presented by Clarke Mosquito in Chicago, IL. The meeting was an informational exchange from various Natular field trials throughout the U.S. Results of the 2009 Natular field trials were presented and a discussion followed. Other attendees from Florida were Jack Peterson, FL A&M Univ./PHEREC, Mark Latham, Manatee Co. MCD and Jonas Stewart, Volusia Co. MCD.

## FIELD ACTIVITY — 2009

ACRES TREATED	GROUND ADULTICIDING	AERIAL ADULTICIDING	GROUND LARVICIDING	AERIAL LARVICIDING	SERVICE REQUESTS
January	0.0	0.0	1.1	0.0	24.0
February	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.0
March	116.7	0.0	1.5	388.0	9.0
April	4,284.0	0.0	6.7	899.7	55.0
May	34,232.3	12,697.7	67.2	7,011.6	156.0
June	58,174.4	7,335.9	193.3	20,667.2	788.0
July	92,689.4	237,873.9	257.5	8,519.1	835.0
August	86,887.2	320,933.8	339.2	28,606.9	529.0
September	104,692.4	247,388.2	398.9	18,663.0	451.0
October	48,968.9	33,802.5	76.0	375.9	118.0
November					62.0
December					
Y-T-D Totals					



Pictured above is the Automated External Defibrillator unit which has been installed in Bldg. A, the Stockroom, and the Employees Lunch Room/Break Room. Employees who attended the CPR/Red Cross classes were familiarized with a similar machine during their class room instruction. However Brian will have some operational classes after the first of the year.

In an emergency, the machine can be operated by anyone according to the written instructions on the front of the machine and the oral instructions the machine gives to you when it is activated. Please speak to Brian, Ext. 2208, for further questions.

On November 14th, Aviation Days was held at Page Field and drew thousands of interested people. As always, a big attraction is our aircraft. Thanks to Jim, Rick, Chuck, Sonny, Thurbie, Dave, Donny, Carmen and Lee who attended and answered the many questions asked of them. Over 500 bags of information about LCMCD were distributed.



*Best Wishes for a  
Safe, Healthy &  
Happy Holiday.*

