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FANREP Travels to Capital Hill

Maia McGuire represented FANREP at this year's Public Issues Leadership Development Conference (PILD). The conference is organized annually by the Joint Council of Extension Professionals (JCEP) and takes place in Washington DC each spring. State extension programs send representatives from different program areas to attend professional development workshops and presentations, and to build political support for local and national extension programs.

As part of the conference, there were trips to government agencies, including the National Invasive Species Council. During the NISC presentation, attendees learned that the USDA Forest Service has produced a DVD called "Dangerous Travelers: Controlling invasive plants along America's roadways." This free DVD can be requested by e-mailing Kenay Owu at kowu@fs.fed.us. While many of the plants mentioned in the DVD are not found in Florida, the techniques for mapping, mechanical removal, herbicide treatments, maintenance techniques and cleaning of equipment are all applicable.

The Florida contingent hosted a lunch for Florida legislators and their aides. Dr. Cheek and Dr. Arrington attended the lunch and also made personal visits to several offices on Capitol Hill. The importance of both the research and outreach sides of extension were stressed. These include the production of biodiesel from waste timber.

In 2007, Maia will be the chair of the Florida delegation (as chair of the EPAF board of directors), so FANREP will be able to send two representatives to next year's conference.

Extension Professional Associations of Florida

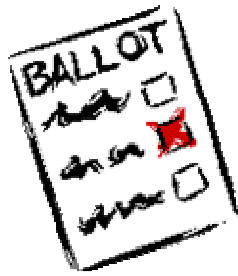


Marco Island Marriott

Extension Professional Associations of Florida (EPAF) 20th Annual Conference, September 11-14, 2006 Marco Island Marriott.

"Spanning the Generations—with Solutions for Your Life" EPAF conference will encompass an opening reception Monday, association members meetings Tuesday, abstract presentations on Tuesday as well as Wednesday, and tours during that afternoon to near by coastal and recreational attractions. The Dean's Reception will be on Wednesday evening. Please visit the Conference Web Site for registration and detailed information: <http://epaf.ifas.ufl.edu/>

FANREP NEEDS YOU!



FANREP Board elections are quickly approaching and a search is underway to fill vacating positions. During this past term, much work has been accomplished and our thanks are extended to outgoing Board Members:

President-elect – Marella Bradway
 Secretary - Janet Bargar
 Treasurer - Scot Jackson
 South Central Districts - Steve Johnson
 North East Districts-Mark Hosetler

To continue all the great work that is underway, we need your help to fill the President-elect, Secretary, Treasurer and South Central Districts Director. For more information on how you can participate, please contact, Joan Bradshaw, Nominating Committee chair at 352-5275714 or jpbradsh@ifas.ufl.edu.

ANREP Highlights



ANREP will continue to hold its bi-annual conference in 2008 based on votes by all members. The Request for Proposals was distributed and is seeking a conference site/host state in the mid-West area. ANREP will also be participating in the Galaxy Conference in 2008 in Indianapolis, IN.

On April 20, 2006 the ANREP Board approved a proposal to establish a sustainable practices database on the ANREP website.

Viviane Simon-Brown, Chair of ANREP's National Network for Sustainable Living Education, stated "In recognition of the myriad of extension programs that help individuals, families, landowners, and communities move toward more sustainable practices, the National Network for Sustainable Living Education (NNSLE) is promoting a self-review and searchable database for ANREP, as a tangible first step to developing a national Extension curriculum on sustainability".

ANREP members would be able to critique their own extension programs and products based on a checklist of questions related to program/product quality and inclusion of sustainability principals. Topics and categories were organized from the sustainability program survey to the 2006 conference web site.

A PowerPoint was developed by Martha Monroe (Florida) and Vivian Simon-Brown (Oregon) highlighting the NNSLE accomplishments in the "sustainable practices" part of the ANREP pre-conference workshop. This presentation will be available on the FANREP website. In addition, Nancy Peterson (Florida) developed a NNSLE poster to engage discussion and interests among ANREP members. The poster encompasses the challenges, actions, and solutions for sustainable living. You may download these materials from our FANREP website.

The NNSLE is moving this official ANREP initiative forward in giant steps. If you want to learn more, visit the ANREP website: <http://anrep.org>. You may also contact Nancy Peterson, Will Sheftall, Lauren McDonnell, and Martha Monroe who are part of this initiative in Florida.

National Network for
Sustainable Living
Education (NNSLE)

Resources on Venomous Snakes in Florida

FANREP members Dr. Steve Johnson and Dr. Marty Main received the ANREP Silver Award for Mixed Materials for their program titled "Dealing with Venomous Snakes in Florida School Yards". The program began from a response to a request from a county school board on how to deal with Cottonmouth Moccasins on school property.

The program targets public schools as well as homeowners across Florida. The educational package provides information about venomous snakes and how to deal with bites from venomous snakes.

The program consists of 4 'fact sheets' as well as PowerPoint presentation. The fact sheets are available on IFAS EDIS system. The PowerPoint is available upon request. The four publications are 1) Dealing with Venomous Snakes in Florida School Yards, 2) Emergency Snakebite Action Plan, 3) Preventing Encounters Between Children and Snakes", 4) Recognizing Florida's Venomous Snakes".



Juvenile Cottonmouth
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FANREP Award Recipients 2006

➤ Friends of Extension Awards

Cressida Silvers, TAME Melaleuca Project, USDA ARS, Ft Lauderdale and Paul Pratt, TAME Melaleuca Project, USDA ARS, Ft Lauderdale

➤ Early Career Leadership Award

Bryan Fluech, Collier Co.

➤ Career Leadership Award:

Eleanor Foerste, Osceola Co.

➤ Individual Program Leadership Award:

Bill Overholt, Indian River REC, Ft Pierce

➤ Innovative Program Award:

Jeff Gellermann, St Lucie Co.

Communications Awards

Jennifer Seitz, Long Publication Category
Maia McGuire, Short Publication Category
Jennifer Seitz, Promotional Materials Category
Janet Bargar, Series of Articles Category
Marella Bradway, Mixed Materials Category
Maia McGuire, Newsletter Category
Jennifer Seitz, Web Page Category

ANREP 2006 AWARD RECIPIENTS

Mark Hostetler, Maia McGuire, Christian Miller, Marella Bradway, Janet Barger, Andrew Diller, Chris Verlinde, Sheila Dunning, Scott Jackson, Martha Monroe, and Lauren McDonell, Marty Main, Steven Johnson

Please visit the ANREP Web site for a list of 2006 award winners and award placement. <http://anrep.org>

New EDIS Publications

Natural Resources

Creating Wildlife Habitat with Native Florida Freshwater Wetland Plants

Authors: Martin B. Main, Ginger M. Allen, and Ken A. Langeland,

<http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/FA007>



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FANREP is managed by a President, President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, and five District Directors. Committees deal with awards, membership, communication, and policies. FANREP is an official state chapter of the Association of Natural Resource Extension Professionals (ANREP). ANREP is a member of the Joint Council of Extension Professionals (JCEP), which promotes communication, cooperation and professionalism among Extension professional organizations, ECOP, and USDA– CSREES.

For more information on FANREP or the Association of Natural Resource Extension Professionals (ANREP) visit the Web Site listed on this page or visit the ANREP Web page at <http://anrep.org>.

We're on the Web:

<http://anrep.ifas.ufl.edu>

Conserving Florida's Natural Resources through Science & Education



Upcoming Events Calendar



- **Florida Panhandle Artificial Reef Workshop**
August 1-2, 2006, Escambia Co. Extension Office
Contact: Andrew Diller 850-475-5230
- **EPAF Annual Meeting**
September 11-14, 2006 Marco Island, FL
<http://epaf.ifas.ufl.edu>
- **International Coastal Cleanup**
September 16, 2006, www.coastalcleanup.org
- **First National Sea Grant Fisheries Extension Meeting**
Oct. 15-18, Jacksonville, FL
- **"From Stem to Stern: Boating and Waterway Management in Florida."** Nov. 1-3, Cocoa Beach, FL., Contact FL Sea Grant
- **2nd Annual National Master Naturalist Conference**
Nov. 7-9, 2006 Flagstaff, AZ
- **FANREP Board Meeting**
September 11, 2006 at EPAF Meeting
- **3rd National Conference on Coastal and Estuarine Habitat Restoration.** Dec. 9-13, 2006 New Orleans, LA