



# FANREP

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## *Welcome to the FANREP Newsletter!*

Welcome to FANREP's first newsletter. FANREP is a statewide association for Cooperative Extension Service professionals working in environmental education, fisheries, forestry, wood sciences, range, recreation, waste management, water, wildlife, and other related disciplines.

Our objectives focus on bringing Extension professionals together to discuss mutual natural resource issues, needs, and opportunities, advancing natural resources through continuing education, promoting cooperation among state, regions, associations, agencies, and businesses on natural resources education programs, develop, sponsor, and promote education and training programs for natural resource management, and to strengthen communication with Extension administrators.

FANREP has active membership of over 40 people who are current or retired cooperative extension employees at the county, state, and national level.

One of the functions of FANREP is to recognize excellence in Extension natural resource programs, and to identify models for other Extension professionals to consider in the programs.

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## *Extension Professional Associations of Florida (EPAF)*



Hyatt Sarasota

The Extension Professional Associations of Florida (EPAF) 19th Annual Conference will be held September 12-15, 2005 at the Hyatt Sarasota on Sarasota Bay.

"Mission Possible: Adapting to Change" is the conference theme.

Highlights of the conference include; an opening reception Monday evening at the Powel Crosley Museum, association members meetings Tuesday, abstract presentations Wednesday, and scheduled field trips during that afternoon. The Dean's Reception will be on Wednesday evening. Visit the Conference Web Site: <http://epaf.ifas.ufl.edu/>

## *ANREP Conference May 14-17th, 2006*



*Canyons Resort,  
Park City Utah*

The 5th Association of Natural Resource Extension Professionals' Conference will be held May 14-17th, 2006 at the Canyons Resort in Park City, Utah. The conference theme is "Finding the 'Ability' in Sustainability."

Issues surrounding sustainability are gaining increased attention. A variety of interpretations, definitions, and opinions surround the ways in which it is approached. To remain relevant, the Extension System must be at the forefront of sustainability education efforts, and this conference will help enhance those efforts.

By attending this meeting, it will further enhance your knowledge of natural resource issues that include environmental education, fisheries, wildlife, forestry, toxicology, ecotourism, water conservation and quality, sustainable living, public policy, nature interpretation, watershed planning, ecological economics, and rural development. This conference allows the opportunity to share your programmatic success and challenges with others – and to facilitate communication and networking among natural resources.

Visit the conference Web Site: <http://www.ANREP2006.org>

## *Florida Coastal Cleanup, Sept. 17, 2005*

This year marks the 20th anniversary of the International Coastal Cleanup! In that time, the event has grown from a local event at one beach in Texas to the largest event of its kind. Animal encounters with marine debris is often fatal. According to the Ocean Conservancy, thousands of marine mammals die each year from entanglements with fishing gear, nets, and lines.

Volunteers from all over the world and 55 U.S. states and territories participate each year to remove tons of trash from lakes, rivers, beaches, and bays. Join us on **September 17, 2005** to mark this special year with your support. To register within Florida, visit the Web site at <http://coastalcleanup.org>.

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## *Public Issues Leadership Development (PILD) 2005*



*Washington D.C.*

As ANREP Southern Representative, I, Marella Crane, attended the Public Issues Leadership Development Conference (PILD) "Leadership Development through Partnership" April 17-20 in Washington D.C. This conference was sponsored by the Joint Council of Extension Professionals (JCEP). PILD was an exciting, educational experience opportunity for me. I gained insight into the national policy scene and learned how to lobby for support of our legislators on important Extension issues. I gained perspectives from Extension Directors/ Administrators, university lobbyists, and Capitol Hill representatives on how to prepare for visits with our Congressional Members on Capitol Hill. Overall, the PILD meeting provided a variety of professional development opportunities on how to effectively interact with decision makers, build successful programs, and strengthen leadership through partnerships. Additionally, I had the opportunity to network with Extension Agents from UF/IFAS and other land grant institutions. Plan for PILD 2006 April 24-27 in Crystal City, VA.

## *FANREP Officers 2004-05*

|                               |                  |
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| President                     | Leroy Creswell   |
| President elect               | Maia McGuire     |
| Immediate Past Pres           | Will Sheftall    |
| Secretary                     | Janet Bargar     |
| Treasurer                     | Scott Jackson    |
| District Director 1           | Chris Verlinde   |
| District Director 2           | Mark Hostetler   |
| District Director 3           | John Stevely     |
| District Director 4           | Steve Johnson    |
| District Director 5           | Dianne Behringer |
| Southern US Regional Director | Marella Crane    |
| Florida State Champion        | Ken Gioeli       |



## *FANREP Award Recipients 2005...Congratulations!*

### **AWARD**

Early Career Leadership  
Outstanding Nat. Res. Ext.  
Specialist

### **RECIPIENT**

**Dianne Behringer**  
**Ken Langeland**

### **COUNTY/DEPARTMENT**

Broward Ext  
UF Center for Aquatic and  
Invasive Plants

### **Communication Awards**

Promotional Material  
Short Publication

**Marella Crane**  
**Ken Langeland**

Miami-Dade Ext  
UF Center for Aquatic and  
Invasive Plants

Newsletter

**Janet Barger**

Indian River Ext

Outstanding Poster

**Marella Crane**

Miami-Dade Ext

### **FANREP Program Awards**

Individual Program Leadership  
Award

**Roxanne Rutledge-Connelly**

FL Med Ent. Lab

Innovative Program Award  
Long Publication

**LeRoy Creswell**  
**Chuck Jacoby**

St. Lucie Ext  
Fisheries

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## We're on the Web:

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

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Conserving Florida's Natural Resources  
through Science & Education



*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>.*

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## *Upcoming Events Calendar*

### ☛ **National Marina Day**

August 13, 2005, [www.marinaassociation.org/](http://www.marinaassociation.org/)

### ☛ **American Fisheries Society 135th Annual Meeting**

Sept. 11-15, 2005AS, Anchorage, AK [www.wdafs.org/Anchorage2005](http://www.wdafs.org/Anchorage2005)

### ☛ **EPAF Annual Meeting**

September 12-15, 2005, Sarasota Bay, FL  
[www.faep.ifas.ufl.edu](http://www.faep.ifas.ufl.edu)

### ☛ **International Coastal Cleanup**

September 17, 2005, [www.coastalcleanup.org](http://www.coastalcleanup.org)

### ☛ **National Estuary Day**

September 24, 2005, <http://estuaries.gov/welcome.html>

### ☛ **3rd Annual Symposium on Deep-Sea Corals**

Nov. 28-Dec. 2, 2005, Miami, FL  
<http://conference.ifas.ufl.edu/coral>

### ☛ **FANREP Board Meeting**

Dec. 8, 2005, Gainesville, FL

