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Welcome to SWFREC Update E-news! This newsletter is distributed biweekly and contains news about the center and its faculty and staff, program research updates, and upcoming events.

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Economist Joins Institute: SWFREC’s ag and natural resources economist Dr. Tara Wade has been named to the UF Water Institute Faculty Advisory Committee (FAC). According to the institute’s web site, “Dr. Wade’s integrated extension and research program includes evaluating the costs of ecosystem services, conservation policy design, and assessing factors that affect farmers’ decisions to adopt agriculturally benign practices that often affect water quality.”

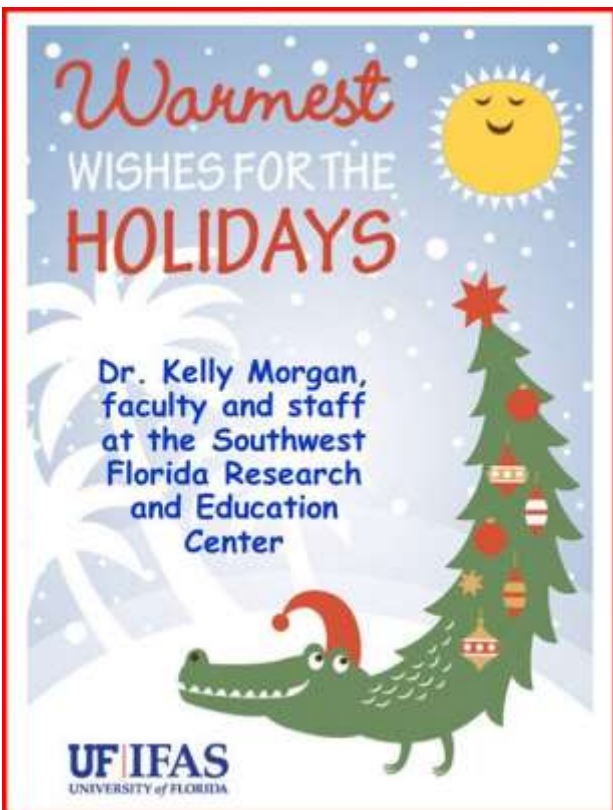


“I believe that water connects all of us and we can begin to resolve water quality and quantity issues through interdisciplinary approaches,” says Dr. Wade, whose term runs through May 2021. “The Water Institute provides invaluable opportunities to collaborate with others, and serving on the FAC allows me to play a small role in this process.”

Entomologist Returning to SWFREC: Dr. Jawwad Qureshi has been named assistant professor of entomology at SWFREC. Dr. Qureshi comes to us from the UF/IFAS Indian River Research and Education Center in Fort Pierce, where he worked since June 2016. Dr. Qureshi was initially hired at SWFREC as a post-doctoral associate in 2006 and was promoted to a research assistant professor, then a research associate professor between 2006 and 2012. He worked under former professor of entomology Dr. Phil Stansly, who passed away in September.



Weed Expert Details Research: SWFREC weed scientist Dr. Ramdas Kanissery and lab technician Camille McAvoy wrote “Don’t Let Vine Weeds Trip You Up” for the December issue of Citrus Industry magazine. To read the full article, click on the image below.



Upcoming Events:

UF Holiday Break

December 24, 2018—January 1, 2019

In observance of the university's holiday break, SWFREC will be closed. We will resume regular business hours on Wednesday, January 2.

Citrus Insect Management Workshop

January 8, 2019, 9:30am-3:00pm

UF/IFAS Citrus Research and Education Center, Lake Alfred

SWFREC entomologist Dr. Jawwad Qureshi is among the speakers and will present "Sampling and Thresholds for Management of Phytophagous Mites" and "Mite Sampling and Basic Identification." For to register, click complete agenda and

here: https://swfrec.ifas.ufl.edu/docs/pdf/events-agendas/2019-01-08_CREC_CitrusInsectManagementWorkshopFlyer.pdf.

Citrus Squeezer: "Scouting and Managing Citrus Diseases"

January 16, 2019, 10:00am-1:00pm

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SWFREC citrus pathologist Dr. Ozgur Batuman is among the speakers and will present "Citrus Greening: Scouting, Symptoms, Life Cycle, Epidemiology, Damage, Management." For complete agenda and registration information, click

here: https://swfrec.ifas.ufl.edu/docs/pdf/events-agendas/2019-01-16_Scouting-Managing-Citrus-Diseases.pdf.

Discussion of Local Agricultural Issues with Legislators

February 1, 2019, 10:00am-1:00pm

Primary topics will include the effects of NAFTA, the Farm Bill, water quality, and algae on agricultural interests. The program will include a discussion led by legislators and a grower panel discussion. A full agenda and registration information will be e-mailed soon.

Florida Certified Pile Burner Program

February 6, 2019, 8:30am-4:30pm

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Seating is limited. For agenda and to register, click

here: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1NBFMdZDfbsC81kGb2kofqU2szlFAGeBi/view>.

Citrus Squeezer: “All You Need to Know about Scouting and Management of Citrus Insect Pests”

February 14, 2019, 10:00am-1:00pm

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SWFREC entomologist Dr. Jawwad Qureshi will present “Scouting and Managing Citrus Pests and Beneficials” and senior biological scientist Barry Kostyk will present “Scouting and Managing Citrus Rust Mites.” For complete agenda and to register, click

here: https://swfrec.ifas.ufl.edu/docs/pdf/events-agendas/2019-02-14_Scouting_Management_Citrus_Insect_Pests.pdf.

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