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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.

**Web site:** <https://swfrec.ifas.ufl.edu/>

**Social media:**  

### **Ceremony Celebrates Graduate Student Residence Ground Breaking**

Ground was broken at the Southwest Florida Research and Education Center for the new Philip A. Stansly Graduate Student Residence last week! Forty-plus growers and other industry representatives participated in the event, which celebrated the career of Dr. Phil Stansly, longtime SWFREC entomologist who passed away last year. Dr. Stansly purchased the very first student dormitory at the center with his program funds, and now the new residence will be named in his honor. This new facility will expand the number of students that SWFREC can host for research projects with local growers.

Speakers at the ceremony included SWFREC center director Dr. Kelly Morgan, UF/IFAS Senior Vice President for Agriculture and Natural Resources Dr. Jack Payne, UF/IFAS Dean, College of Agricultural and Life Sciences Dr. Elaine Turner, Collier County commissioner William McDaniel, grower Chuck Obern, and SWFREC Ph.D. student Timothy Ayankojo. A plaque dedicating the new residence to Dr. Stansly was presented to his wife, Mrs. Silvia Stansly, and other family members.

Photos courtesy Tyler Jones, UF/IFAS photography.



**Morgan, Payne, Silvia Stansly, Turner**



**Ayankojo**



**Commissioner Bill McDaniel and grower Stephan Gardinier**



**Grower Chuck Obern**



**More than forty people attended the ceremony.**



**Program participants ceremoniously shovel dirt.**



SWFREC graduate students and Dean Turner “break ground.”

### Peer-reviewed Article

- **“Evaluation of Mobile Heat Treatment System for Treating In-field HLB-affected Trees by Analyzing Survival Rate of Surrogate Bacteria”** has been published in *Agronomy* journal online (volume 9, issue 9). Ph.D. student Shirin Ghatrehsamani and precision ag engineer Dr. Yiannis Ampatzidis are first and sixth authors, respectively. To read the full article, click here then click “Download PDF”: <https://www.mdpi.com/2073-4395/9/9/540>.

### Trade Journal Article

- **“Steaming for Weed Management”** is published in the September 25 issue of *Vegetable and Specialty Crop News*. Authors are weed scientist Dr. Ramdas Kanissery and precision ag engineer Dr. Yiannis Ampatzidis. To read the article, click here: <http://vsnews.com/steaming-for-weed-management/>.

### Extension Publications

The following are two articles recently published on the UF/IFAS Electronic Data Information Source web site ([www.edis.ifas.ufl.edu](http://www.edis.ifas.ufl.edu)):

- **“Identification and Management of Clustered Pellitory (*Parietaria praetermissa*) in Citrus Groves.”** Weed scientist Dr. Ramdas Kanissery and master’s student Biwek Gairhe are first and second authors, respectively. To see the full article, click here: <http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/HS/HS134100.pdf>.
- **“Citrus Nursery Production Guide, Chapter 4: Rootstock Selection.”** Plant physiologist Dr. Ute Albrecht is first author. To see the full article, click here: <http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/pdffiles/HS/HS134000.pdf>.

## **Operation Clean Sweep**

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection and the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services announces the 2019-2020 Operation Clean Sweep program, a mobile pesticide collection effort that provides a safe way to dispose of cancelled, suspended, and unusable pesticides. The free service is available to farms/groves, greenhouses, nurseries, golf courses, and pest control entities. For more information, including how to sign up, click here: <https://floridadep.gov/waste/permitting-compliance-assistance/content/operation-cleansweep-pesticides>.

## **Upcoming Events:**

**October 3, 2019, 9am-3:15pm**

### **UF/IFAS Tomato Institute**

UF/IFAS Gulf Coast Research and Education Center, Wimauma

This event was originally scheduled to take place on September 4 in Naples, but was cancelled due to Hurricane Dorian. Growers and other industry representatives who registered for that event will be contacted soon with the updated information.

**October 9, 2019, 7:30am-6:30pm**

### **Certified Crop Advisor Training**

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For those who hold a certified crop advisor license only. To register, click [here](#).

**October 10, 2019, 10am-1pm**

### **Vegetable Growers Meeting**

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Program will feature three presentations about key pests and diseases of fall crops and will include pathologist Dr. Pam Roberts, entomologist Dr. Jawwad Qureshi, and horticulturist Dr. Phillip Williams. To RSVP, contact Jennifer at [jderleth@ufl.edu](mailto:jderleth@ufl.edu) or 239-658-3415.

**October 15, 2019, 8am-5pm**

### **Produce Safety Alliance Grower Training Course**

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For more information and to register, click [here](#).

**October 29, 2019, 9:30am-1pm**

### **Citrus Nutrition Management Program**

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Program will include SWFREC center director and soil scientist Dr. Kelly Morgan. For more information and to register, click here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/citrus-nutrition-management-program-registration-70326712089>.

November 14, 2019  
SWFREC Open House



SAVE THE DATE FOR THE  
**SWFREC OPEN HOUSE**

**NOVEMBER 14, 2019**

**Before the Bounty: The Science of Crop Production**

You and your colleagues are cordially invited to the annual open house at the UF/IFAS Southwest Florida Research and Education Center (SWFREC).

Enjoy casual tours of our laboratories, guided trolley tours of our farm facilities, and educational science demonstrations.

Learn about research, Extension, and other outreach activities that touch every community in southwest Florida.

Open House will take place between  
**10 a.m. & 2 p.m.**

with lunch being served from  
**11 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

RSVP by phone at (239) 658-3400  
or email to [jderleth@ufl.edu](mailto:jderleth@ufl.edu)

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**FALL 2019**  
**FARM LABOR SUPERVISOR**  
**TRAINING SCHEDULE**

November 19-20, 2019

**UF/IFAS Farm Labor Supervisor Training**

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For schedule and registration information, click here:

[https://swfrec.ifas.ufl.edu/docs/pdf/economics/SWREC\\_FarmLaborSupervisorTrainingProgramFlyer2019.jpg](https://swfrec.ifas.ufl.edu/docs/pdf/economics/SWREC_FarmLaborSupervisorTrainingProgramFlyer2019.jpg)

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