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Editor: Todd Olson

Court ruling impacts Aquatic Plant Management efforts in the northwest

On March 12, 2001, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals held in Headwaters, Inc. v. Talent Irrigation District that an irrigation district in Oregon was required to obtain a National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit under the Clean Water Act before applying an aquatic herbicide in its canals. The suit stems from an application of the aquatic herbicide magnacide H, which contains acrolein as the active ingredient, to an irrigation canal that supposedly flowed into Bear Creek causing a fish kill. The Ninth Circuit ruled that the herbicide could be considered a point source pollutant. The court observed that the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) and the Clean Water Act (CWA) have different purposes, with FIFRA focusing on general pesticide applications and CWA addressing localized impacts on specific receiving waters.

Talent Irrigation District has requested reconsideration by the Court. Several organizations have written letters to EPA Administrator, Christine Todd Whitman, which includes, WSSA, Clean Water THIRD QUARTER, 2001 NEWSLETTER

Working Group and the National Water Resource Association. The NWRA has inspired Congressman Butch Otter (R-ID) and Senator Mike Crapo (R-ID) to garner support of their respective delegations pertaining to the importance of aquatic herbicide weed control in irrigation ditches of the northwest. The Aquatic Plant Management Society held a panel discussion concerning the Talent case at the 41st Annual Meeting on July 16, 2001 and Responsible Industry for a Sound Environment (RISE) held an informational meeting in May 2001 for its members.

What does this mean for Aquatic Plant Management operations in Florida? Right now the ruling only applies to the Ninth Circuit, which covers the northwest United States. The decision could eventually impact aquatic weed and mosquito control efforts in Florida. The EPA is assigning a low enforcement priority to the ninth circuit decision and is beginning a process to decide how best to implement the Clean Water Act and Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act in relation to the direct application of pesticides to water.

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Third Ouarter 2001 FAPMS Board of Directors' Meeting

Officers:

President President Elect Past President Secretary Treasurer Editor Directors: Mike Baker Charles Bedard Catherine Johnson Bill Moore Scott Glasscock

Nancy Allen John Rodgers Jeff Schardt Todd Olson Steve Weinsier Judy Ludlow Dean Barber David Farr PJ Myers

Absent: John Rodgers, Dean Barber, David Farr, Scott Glasscock, David Sutton

Dave Sutton

Guests: Adam Gayson

Location: Reedy Creek Improvement District, Environmental Services Laboratory, 2191 S. Service Lane, Lake Buena Vista, FL 32830

Date and Time: July 10, 2001 at 10:00 a.m.

L CALL TO ORDER

President Allen called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

II. ROLL CALL AND MINUTES

Todd Olson took the roll and President Allen declared a quorum. President Allen asked if anyone had any deletions, omissions, or modifications to the minutes of the first guarter 2001 Board of Director's meeting. A motion was made to accept the minutes for the first quarter 2001 Board of Directors' Meeting and it passed unanimously.

III. CORRESPONDENCE

President Allen had no correspondence.

IV. TREASURER'S REPORT - Steve Weinsier

Steve reported that the draft balance sheet ending May 31, 2001 showed that the Society's current assets were \$44,183.15 and liabilities at \$0.00. A breakdown of the total assets included a Nations Bank checking balance of \$12,223.93, and a Nations Bank savings account balance of \$5,814.78, Nations Bank CD account balance of approximately \$10,066.63 and \$12,842.22 in the Strong Money Market Fund. Steve presented the board members a copy of a letter from Randall Stocker requesting FAPMS to reissue the check for the Shelley Stocker Memorial Fund to Shelley's sister Yvonne Adkins due to some difficulties setting up the fund. A note will be sent to FAPMS with a summary of the Development Fund.

V. SECRETARY'S REPORT - Todd

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Todd had no report.

VI. EDITOR'S REPORT - Judy Ludlow

Judy is still looking at options for a "membership tearout" in "Aquatics". She also needs cover pictures. Mike Baker made a motion to accept the treasurer's, secretary's and editor's reports. It received a second by Jeff Schardt and passed unanimously.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 1. Advisory -No report was given.
- 2. Auditing Rebecca Gubert Rebecca had no report.

3. Awards - Nick Schooley

President Allen reported for Nick Schooley that he was working on door prizes from Outdoor Sportsworld.

- 4. By-Laws Stephanie McCarty Stephanie had no report.
- 5. Financial Nancy Allen President Allen had no report.
- 6. Government Affairs Keshav Setaram Keshav commented on an email from Gene Buck

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with the Congressional Research Service asking about information pertaining to APHIS and Corps programs for aquatic plant control. The board moved to email a copy of the letter sent to the congressional delegation about FAPMS support of the Corps program and would draft a letter of support for submittal on the APHIS program soon. The Talent Irrigation District case was discussed briefly, more information should be available at the APMS meeting the week of July 15, 2001.

7. Historical - Catherine Johnson

Catherine reported that she is working on the next installment for the "Aquatics" magazine.

8. Local Arrangements - David Farr

President Allen reported for David that the site for primary consideration for 2002 FAPMS Annual Meeting (Amtel, formerly Sheraton) in Fort Myers should be dropped due to lack of cooperation by the staff and in adequate accommodations. Don Doggett is researching other hotels in Fort Myers.

9. Mailing List - Jackie Smith

President Allen reported for Jackie that the FAPMS membership was at 467.

10. Merchandising - Jeff Holland

Jeff reported that he picked up the mugs to be handed out at registration. The board moved to hand out clip on badges, plant i.d. charts and notebooks with the FAPMS logo on the front and sponsor's names printed inside. Charles Bedard commented that it would be nice to recognize long term FAPMS members at the meeting. President Allen said she would check with Jackie Smith to see if length of membership could be determined and report back at the next board meeting.

11. Nominating - Jeff Schardt

Jeff presented a slate of candidates for the board to consider as follows: President Elect - P.J. Myers, Secretary - Todd Olson, Treasurer – Rebecca Gubert, Editor – Judy Ludlow, Directors-at-Large (Membership will select three of five), Jim Cuda, Rue Hestand, Dean Jones, Vicki Pontius, Steve Smith. Steve Weinsier made a motion to accept the slate and seconded by Judy Ludlow and passed unanimously. Stephanie McCarty agreed to produce the ballot form for the FAPMS Business meeting.

Past President's Advisory – Jeff Schardt Jeff had no report to give.

13. Program - Vicki Pontius and Bruce Burley

Bruce presented the tentative FAPMS program. It will be published in the next newsletter.

14. Publicity - John Rodgers

President Allen reported for John that he recommended the board approve a \$30 per year fee paid to Homestead in order to keep from being limited on website space. The board moved to approve the fee. Catherine passed out some new FAPMS membership brochures.

15. Resource Demonstration - Christine Bauer

President Allen reported for Christine on several demonstration topics. Some are: Plant I.D., Insect Vectors, GIS, and the FAPMS web page

16. Scholarship - Brian Nelson

President Allen read a letter to her from Brian Nelson pertaining to FAPMS contribution to FAPMS Scholarship and Research Foundation. Brian requested the FAPMS board reconsider it's decision to no longer contribute funds to the FAPMS Scholarship and Research Foundation. After a lengthy discussion the board decided to table the topic until more information can be provided by Brian at the next board meeting.

17. Vendor - Lonnie Pell

Lonnie reported that the golf outing will be at Indigo Lakes starting at 10 am on October 15, 2001. The fee per person is \$34.00 which includes a box lunch.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

Jeff Schardt presented an educational program sponsored by APMS to produce aquatic plant management educational material geared toward 5th graders. The 16 page educational booklet will be distributed by Sea Grant across the country. APMS has asked all regional chapters to donate to this cause. Steve Weinsier made a motion to donate up to \$2500.00 to APMS and it received a second from Mike Baker. The motion passed. Ron Hyatt presented a special insurance discount on long term care for FAPMS members if the board would agree to send a letter of recognition to the insurance company. The board agreed to send the letter.

ADJOURNMENT

President Allen adjourned the meeting at 12:34 p.m. The next Board meeting will be at the Adam's Mark Hotel in Daytona Beach, FL at 4 p.m. on Monday October 15th, 2001. Directions will be sent in the next board book.

TENTATIVE FAPMS PROGRAM

Monday, October 15

10:00 am 10th Annual FAPMS Golf Tournament (Lonnie Pell)

4:00 pm FAPMS Board of Director's Meeting-Room TBA

Tuesday, October 16

8:00 am Registration and Exhibits, open until 5:00 pm.

8:00 am Past Presidents' Meeting/FAPMS Research and Scholarship Foundation Meeting, Room TBA

10:00 am FAPMS 25th Annual Meeting Call to Order–Nancy Allen-President Invocation–Robbie Lovestrand Announcements–Program, Local Arrangements, CEUs

10:15 am Presidential Address – "Happy Silver Anniversary FAPMS, A Photo Journey Through Time" Nancy Allen, US Army Corps of Engineers

Moderator-Dr. Jim Cuda Projector: Lyn Gettys and Rachel Tenpenney 10:35 am Keynote Speakers – Randy Westbrooks, Bob Eplee, retired USDA

11:10 am "Identification, Propogation, and Planting Depths for Aquatic Plants" Frank Melton, University of Florida, Manatee County

11:30 am "APMS Cooperative Elementary Education Packet" Jeff Schardt, Department of Environmental Protection

11:45 am National Aquatic Plant Management Society, Don Doggett

12:00-1:00 Lunch (on your own)

Moderator-Matt Phillips

1:00 pm Prize Drawing

1:05 pm "Aerial Hydrilla Treatment on Lake Istokpoga" Wesley Williams, Highlands County (*)

1:20 pm "Working Together for a Common Goal", David Farr, East Volusia County Mosquito Control (*)

1:35 pm "Hygrophila Treatment C-100 Series Canal System" Robert Jenkins and William Eldridge, SFWMD (*)

1:50 pm "Mechanical Vegetation Management" Mike Foght, SFWMD, (*)

2:05 pm "A New Century of Aquatic Plant Control on St. John's River" Joe Locke, Army Corps of Engineers (*)

2:20 pm "Aquatic Weed Control and the Fate of Oxygen" Jim Wilmoth, Aqua Plant Control (*)

2:35 pm "Sonar Treatments in Wekiva Springs" Dave Murray, City of Winter Park (*)

2:50 pm Corporate Sponsor Update-Applied Biochemists, Jim Schmidt, Product Updates

2:57 pm Break

3:12 pm Prize Drawing

3:15 pm "Damn the Torpedo Grass, Full Speed Ahead!" Mike Bodle, South Florida Water Management District

3:30 pm "General Certification Standards" (CORE) Ken Gioeli ,University of Florida

4:30 pm "Pondalooza, The Abundant Pond Organizations Available for Fun or Profit" Paula Biles, Managing Editor, Pondkeeper magazine

4:45 pm Corporate Sponsor Update, Brewer International

5:00 pm Adjourn

Evening Activities-

Fishing Tournament-Jim Cuda

Wednesday, October 17

Moderator-Jeff Schardt

7:55 am Prize Drawing

8:00 am "The Lovebug in Florida: Setting the Record Straight" Dr. Jim Cuda, University of Florida

8:15 am "Busting Weeds on Wekiva River" Natalie Visscher, Department of Environmental Protection, Orlando

8:30 am "The Poison is in the Dose" Dr. Bill Haller, University of Florida

8:45 am "Differential Rate Response" Dr. Mike Netherland-SePro

9:00 am "Environmental Considerations of Aquatic Weed Control" Chuck Cichra, University of Florida

9:15 am "New Certificate Program in Aquatic Plant Management" Kimberly Moore, University of Florida

9:30 am "Lake Istokpoga Drawdown/Tussock Removal Project" Beacham Furse, Freshwater Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission 9:45 am Break

10:00 am Prize Drawing

10:05 am "Upland Invasive Plant Program" Mark Zeller, Department of Environmental Protection

10:20 am "Admiral and Other Aquatic Products from Becker Underwood" Corporate Sponsor Gabe Diaz-Saavedra

10:27 am "Calibration and Proper Herbicide Application Techniques" CORE Dr. Vernon Vandiver, Jr., Ph.D., University of Florida

11:00 am TBA Mark Litwiler-SePro Corporate Sponsor

11:15-12:00 FAPMS Annual Business Meeting

12:00 Lunch Moderator-Dr. David Sutton

1:00 pm Prize Drawing

1:05 pm "Cerexagri-Aquatic Herbicide Update" Bill Moore

1:20 pm "General Certification Standards" (CORE) Ken Gioeli, University of Florida

2:20 pm "Jeopardy Game," Laura Andrews, Palm Beach County Extension

2:50 pm "Fate of Aquatic Herbicides" Dr. Bill Haller, University of Florida

3:05 pm Break

3:20 pm Prize Drawing

3:25 pm "Alligator Management Program and Other Critters"Arnold Brunel, Freshwater Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

3:40 pm Resource Demonstration

5:00 pm Adjourn

7:00 FAPMS Awards Banquet

Thursday, October 18

Moderator-Bruce Burley

7:55 am Prize Drawing

8:00 am "Hydroacoustic Survey of Hydrilla Abundance in the Kissimmee Chain of Lakes" Doug Henderson, ReMetrix

8:07 am "APIRS and the Literature on Aquatics" Karen Brown, University of Florida

8:22 am Corporate Sponsor Update-Helena Chemical

8:37 am "West Nile Virus in the Eastern United States and Florida...An Update" James Burgess, Lee County Mosquito Control District

8:52 am Corporate Sponsor, Chemical Containers, Product Updates, Keith Hollingsworth

9:07 am Corporate Sponsor, Dow AgriScience, Product Update, Brad Cochran

9:14 am "Response of Torpedograss and Pickerelweed to Whole-Plant and Cut-Stump Treatment with Glyphosate" Lyn A. Gettys, University of Florida

9:29 am "Exotics in the Backyard: Practicing What You Preach" Catherine Johnson, Army Corps of Engineers

9:44 am "The Organo-Auxin Rule Revisited" Ken Langeland, University of Florida, Gainesville 10:00 am Break

10:15 am Prize Drawing

10:20 am Corporate Sponsor-UAP Timberland, Product Update, Pat Green

10:27 am South Florida Aquatic Plant Management Society - Corporate Sponsor

10:34 am "Can You Make a Quiet Airboat?" Robert Maglievaz, Volusia County Health Department

10:49 am Corporate Sponsor

10:56 am Corporate Sponsor Update-Aquatic Vegetation Control

11:03 am Corporate Sponsor Update

11:10 am TBA

11:25 am "The Real Mulberries" Nancy Coile, Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

11:40 am Corporate Sponsor Update-Future Horizons

11:45 am Introduction of new board members

11:50 am GRAND PRIZE DRAWING

12:00 pm Adjourn FAPMS 25th Annual Meeting

(*) Denotes Applicator Papers

FAPMS GOLF TOURNAMENT

FAPMS 25th anniversary conference will host another fun day on the golf course. This year's tournament will be a four-person scramble format (best ball). It will be held at the Indigo Lakes Golf Club in Daytona, a very short drive from the host hotel for the conference, the Adam's Mark.

It will start at 10:00 AM on October 15th. Cost is only \$34.00 person, which includes a box lunch, drink, and use of clubhouse, golf carts and golf course.

Please call Lonnie Pell at 321-455-9833 to sign up for the tournament and tell him who the four members of your team will be. Dead line for signing up is the 19th of September.

By-law Revisions for Consideration at the Annual Business Meeting

Verbiage to be deleted is <u>underlined</u>. Verbiage to be added is **bold italic**.

ARTICLE V - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. There shall be <u>four</u> **five** classes of Society membership.

Part 1. Active Membership:

A resident of Florida who is involved in operation, sales, consulting, research, regulation or participation in programs relative to aquatic plant management shall become an active member of this Society upon payment of dues. This member may vote, hold office, and enjoy all privileges of Society membership.

Part 2. Associate Membership:

This class of membership may be held by persons who are not residents of Florida, but otherwise are qualified as in Part 1 of this section. Dues will be the same as for active membership. Associate members shall receive all publications of the Society, may serve on committees, but may not vote or hold office.

ARTICLE VI - OFFICERS

- Section 1. Officers of the Society shall be:
 - (a) President
 - (b) President Elect,
 - (c) Treasurer,
 - (d) Secretary,
 - (e) Editor.

Part 3. Student Membership:

- Student members shall be those individuals actively enrolled in full time college level study of aquatic weeds, or related types of college level studies approved by the Board of Directors. Privileges and limitations shall be the same as of Associate members.
- Part 4. Honorary Lifetime Membership:

Any active member who has provided extraordinary support and assistance toward accomplishing the goals and objectives of the society. Honorary membership may be granted by majority approval of the board of directors and no dues are required. This member may vote, hold office, and enjoy all privileges of Society membership.

Part 5. Library Membership:

A Library Membership shall be required for any library institution wishing to receive all publications of the Society. Library Members may not vote or hold office.

Section 2. Membership in this society shall be terminated (a) when dues are sixty days in arrears, (b) upon failure to meet the membership qualifications, (c) upon removal by the Board of Directors for behavior detrimental to the Society, or (d)

Section 2. President: The President shall preside at all membership and Board meetings; shall, in consultation with the Board of Directors, appoint all committee chairpersons, and shall perform all other duties incidental to the office of the President. The President shall prepare, in collaborating with the Secretary, an annual report of the Society's activities to be Section 5. presented at the annual business meeting of the Society, including a report of each Board meeting. The President shall serve a one year term commencing at the close of the annual meeting of the Society or until a successor has been dulv chosen. The President shall not serve consecutive terms.

- Section 3. President Elect: The President Elect shall perform the duties of President when the latter is absent and other duties as may be assigned by the President or Board of Directors, and shall succeed the President. The President elect shall serve a one year term commencing at the close of the annual meeting of the Society, or until a successor has been duly chosen. The President Elect shall not serve consecutive terms
- Treasurer: The Treasurer shall be Section 4. custodian of all dues and funds of the Society, pay all bills authorized by the Board of Directors, and at the annual meeting give a true and complete report of the financial status of the Society. The Treasurer shall deposit all receipts in a bank designated by the Board, and the Treasurer's signature or the signature of the President or Secretary shall be authorized on Society checks. An annual audit of the books shall be made, and a report of the audit presented to the Society membership at the annual meeting. The Treasurer shall not serve more than a total of three consecutive terms of one year each. The Treasurer's term of office shall coincide with the Society's fiscal year (Article XI).

- Secretary: The Secretary shall keep minutes of all meetings, mail out minutes, and notices as directed by the Board, and perform all duties usually associated with the office. The Secretary shall also prepare the quarterly FAPMS Newsletter. The Secretary shall not serve more than a total of three consecutive terms of one year each. The Secretary's term of office shall coincide with the Society's fiscal year (Article XI).
- Section 6. Editor: The Editor shall be responsible for the publication of AQUATICS magazine. Upon request, the Editor shall assist contributors to prepare papers suitable for presentation at the annual program. The Editor may serve an unlimited number of terms subject one-year to election by the membership. The Editor's term of office shall coincide with the Society's fiscal year (Article XI).
- Section 7. Directors-at-Large: Officers shall serve for one year or until their successors have been duly chosen. The president shall not serve consecutive terms. All other officers and directors, with the exception of the Secretary, Treasurer and Editor may succeed themselves for one consecutive term, but then must relinquish said office for a period of time equal to their term in office. An individual elected to the office of Secretary or Treasurer shall not serve more than a total of three consecutive years. The Editor may serve an unlimited number of one-year terms, subject to election by the membership. All officers term of

office, with the exception of the president and the president-elect, shall coincide with the society's fiscal year (ARTICLE XI). The president and the president-elect shall serve a one-year term commencing at the close of the annual meeting of the Society.

- Section 7. Society officers and directors shall be selected from the membership and must reside within the State and be active members of the Society for three consecutive years immediately prior to nomination.
- Section 8. A nominating committee shall nominate the Society officers and directors. The nominees shall be approved by majority vote of the Board of Directors upon the recommendation of Committee Nominating chairperson. addition. In nominations may be submitted from the floor at the annual business meeting. The nominators must describe the candidate's suitability for office . A candidate must receive a plurality of the votes cast to be elected to the office for which the candidate was nominated.
- Section 9. Election of officers and directors shall be by secret ballot.

ARTICLE

- VII BOARD OF DIRECTORS
- Section 1. The Board of Directors shall consist of the Society officers, immediate Past President and nine (9) directors-at-large serving staggered terms of three (3) years each with three (3) of the nine (9) directors elected each year. *Directors may not succeed*

themselves upon completion of serving a full three-year term and must relinquish said office for a period of time equal to their term in office. All Directors' term of office shall coincide with the Society's fiscal year (Article XI).

Section 2. The Board of Directors shall manage the affairs of the Society including administration, program development and supervision of financial affairs. They shall meet quarterly. A full report of all Board meetings shall be presented to the membership at the annual business meeting.

Section 3. In the event a vacancy develops on the Board of Directors, the remaining members of the Board shall be authorized to appoint someone to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term. A vacancy may be considered to exist in the event a member of the Board of Directors fails to attend two (2) consecutive meetings.

- Section 4. Fifty (50) percent of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum and a majority vote of members present at a legally constituted meeting shall decide all matters.
- Section 5. The Board of Directors shall appoint the Society's Aquatic Plant Advisory Committee Delegate. The Delegate shall serve a two year term and may serve one consecutive term if ratified by the Board of Directors. The duties of the Delegate shall be to represent the Society at Committee Meetings and to advise the Board of Directors of Committee activities.

2001 Slate of Officers

The 2001 slate of Officer and Director-at-Large candidates represents FAPMS Board or Committee veterans as well as relative newcomers. The Nominating Committee searched for candidates representing a broad range of perspectives and backgrounds with experience making management and budget judgments similar to the operational and financial decisions that will likely face the FAPMS Board. All have lengthy service in aquatic plant management in operations, administration, or research, and some have combinations of these responsibilities.

President Elect

P.J. Myers – P.J. Myers is the General Manager for Applied Aquatic Management, Inc. in Eagle Lake. He started as an applicator and now directs marketing, budgeting and field operations of about 20 crews that manage aquatic as well as upland invasive plants throughout Florida. P.J. has been a member of FAPMS for 10 years and served as a Director from 1999-2001.

Secretary

Todd Olson – Todd Olson is a Vice President for Aquatic Vegetation Control, Inc. in Riviera Beach. His aquatic plant control duties range from directing field operations to marketing and personnel management. Todd has been a member of FAPMS for 9 years and has been the Society's Secretary and News Letter Editor for the past two years.

Treasurer

Rebecca Gubert – Rebecca Gubert is a Deputy Manager in Environmental Services for the Reedy Creek Improvement District in Lake Buena Vista. She currently directs water quality field sampling and environmental monitoring within the District. Rebecca has been a member of FAPMS since the mid 1990s serving as Audit and Awards Committee Chair.

Editor

Judy Ludlow – Judy Ludlow is a Biological Scientist IV for the DEP Bureau of Invasive Plant Management in Tallahassee. Her duties include planning and coordinating field operations and reconciling invoices for aquatic plant management in public waters throughout Florida. Judy has been a member of FAPMS since 1987 and has been Editor of Aquatics since 1997.

Directors-At-Large

James Cuda – James Cuda is an assistant professor in the Entomology and Nemotology Department at the University of Florida, Gainesville. His research deals with classical biological control of aquatic and terrestrial weeds, with focus on hydrilla, Brazilian pepper, tropical soda apple, and wetland nightshade. Jim has been a member of FAPMS since 1995 and has worked on the Program Committee as well as organizing the fishing contest at the annual FAPMS Conference.

Rue Hestand – Rue Hestand is a Biological Administrator with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation's research facility in Eustis. His research through the years has included lake restoration and aquatic plant relationships with fisheries, emphasizing grass carp feeding preference, stocking rates, and removal. Rue is a Charter member of FAPMS and was a Director in the early 1980s.

Dean Jones – Dean Jones is the Invasive Plant Manager with the Polk County Natural Resources Division in Bartow. He currently administers upland and aquatic plant management operations on County properties and in 80 public waterways within Polk County. Dean has been a member of FAPMS since the mid 1990s and has served on several Committees including Awards and Merchandising.

Vicki Pontius – Vicki Pontius is the Parks and Recreation Director for Highlands County, stationed in Sebring. She has worked for 18 years for the Highlands County Board of Commissioners. Her aquatic plant management duties include administering and budgeting operations in lakes and canals throughout the County. Vicki has been a member of FAPMS for six years and served as Program Co-chair

Steve Smith – Steve Smith is a Staff Environmental Scientist with the South Florida Water Management District in Canal Point / West Palm Beach. He administers vegetation management throughout the District with emphasis on prescribed fire on upland and dewatered aquatic sites. Steve has been a member of FAPMS since 1977 having served as a Director and on various Committees as well as Chair of the Equipment Demonstration Committee for a number of years.

FLORIDA AQUATIC PLANT MANAGEMENT SOCIETY AQUATIC PLANT MANAGER OF THE YEAR

Application Information

PURPOSE: This award is designed:

- 1) To provide a means to recognize outstanding achievements in aquatic plant management field activities.
- 2) To enhance professionalism in aquatic plant management activities in Florida.

ELIGIBILITY: Award nominees must be:

- 1) Activity members in the Florida Aquatic Plant Management Society.
- 2) Directly involved in aquatic plant management field activities.
- 3) Individuals included in either of the following groups are NOT eligible for this award.
 - A. Persons involved exclusively in an administrative capacity.
 - B. Persons employed in the chemical or equipment manufacturing and distribution industries.

NOMINATION PROCESS:

1) Any active FAPMS member may nominate any individual or team for the award. If a team is being nominated, fill out a separate form for each individual. Staple the forms together and write TEAM on the top copy.

2) Nomination should be submitted by filling out the attached Standard Nomination Form only.

3) Nomination and/or questions should be addressed to: Nick Schooley, Coral Springs Improvement District, 10300 NW 11th Manor, Coral Springs, FL 33071, phone 954-796-6623, fax 954-757-4850

DEADLINE: September 7, 2001

FLORIDA AQUATIC MANAGEMENT SOCIETY AQUATIC PLANT MANAGER OF THE YEAR

Standard Nomination Form

Name of Nominee:				
Agency or Company Name:				
Address:				
Telephone Number:				
Years Aquatic Plant Management Experience: Years active FAPMS member:				
Persons Submitting Nomination				
Complete all categories that are applicable 1. Herbicide Control Experience: (years and application techniques used)				
2. Biological Control Experience: (years and agents used)				

3. Mechanical Control Experience: (years and experience of equipment used)	
4. Public Relations: (contributions to public, inter-agency, special interest groups)	
5. Weed Identification: (exotic/native, target/non-target plants)	
6. Ingenuity: (methods, ideas, design introduction)	
7. Research: (conducts for self or other reasons)	
8. Work Quality and Consistency: (work with/without need for direct supervision)	
9. Environmental awareness: (endangered species, invasive or prohibited plants)	
10. Education Achievement & Overall Knowledge: (classes, seminars, &, or degree)	
11. Contributions to the Aquatic Field: (above and beyond the call of duty)	
12. FAPMS activity contributions: (offices held, programs worked with)	
Nominations MUST adhere to spaces allowed for uniform evaluation. Applications extending BEYOND this form will NOT be considered.	

EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

The Florida Aquatic Plant Management Society Scholarship And Research Foundation Inc. Anounces the availability of funds for educational assistance.

<u>EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM</u> provides up to fifty percent reimbursement of tuition costs for eligible FAPMS members who:

- Work "full time" in the aquatic plant management profession as determined by the FAPMS Scholarship and Research Foundation Board of Directors and are attending college, community college or vocational/technical school to further their educational goals.
- Have been a FAPMS member in good standing for at least one year.
- Have paid tuition receipts to submit for reimbursement.
- 4. Submit a completed application between August 15,2001 and September 30, 2001 for the previous year. Tuition receipts paid between August 1, 2000 and July 31, 2001 will be eligible for reimbursement this year
- 5. Assistance will be awarded on a pro-rated basis by dividing the amount of funds available by the total amount of eligible tuition costs submitted by all applicants. For example, if the Board approves \$1,000 for the program and \$4,000 of tuition receipts are submitted each applicant would be reimbursed 25% of their tuition costs.

For further information or to request an application to apply for the above program please contact Brian Nelson, 3287 Rackley Rd., Brooksville, FL, 34604, (352) 796-7211.

ANNUAL FAPMS FISHING TOURNAMENT Information

Just a reminder for the "Fishing Fanatics" attending the Silver Anniversary Meeting of the FAPMS in Daytona Beach, FL, 16-18 October 2001. Weather permitting, the annual fishing tournament is tentatively scheduled to be held at the Daytona Beach Pier on Tuesday evening, 16 October, from 7-11 PM. The pier is located at 1200 Main Street, which is just a half of block south (walking distance) of the Adam's Mark Resort and Hotel. Unlike past years, there will be a nominal registration fee of \$3.00. (Note: all proceeds will be donated to the scholarship fund so look at it as an investment in the Society's future).

The cost for admission to the pier varies depending upon whether or not you provide your own equipment. If you bring your own pole, the cost is \$3.50. If you choose not to use your own tackle, a rod and reel can be rented for \$8.50 plus a security deposit that is refundable when the tackle is returned. Frozen bait (shrimp or squid) is available on site for \$2.50 per dozen. Artificial lures and live bait are also permitted.

Prizes will be awarded for the largest gamefish and the largest trash fish (e.g., catfish, stingray, etc.). Each contestant will be allowed to enter one fish in each category. All fish to be considered for judging MUST BE PRESENTED to the designated judge by 10:45 PM for measurement. Size will be determined by measuring the total maximum length. In case of a tie, the winner will be decided by a coin toss. The judge's decision is final.

There will be a sign-up sheet at the registration desk. Make sure that you complete the form and pay your entrance fee when you register.

In order to get some idea of the number of contestants, please contact Dr. Jim Cuda by email or fax if you are planning to participate in the tournament. See you in Daytona Beach.

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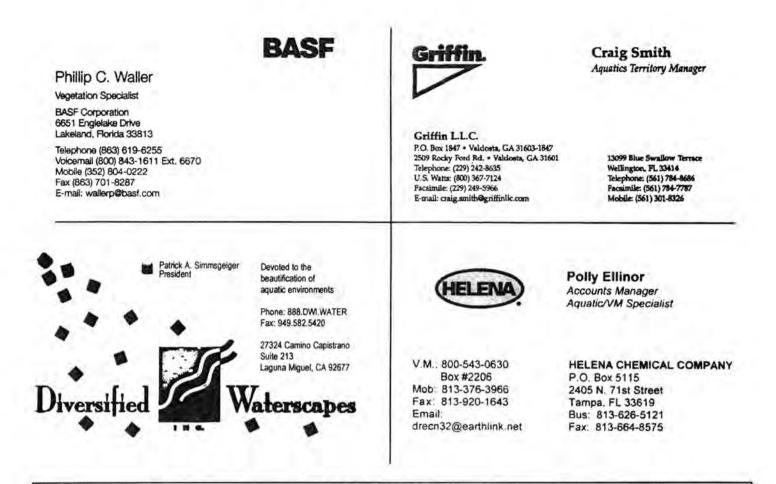


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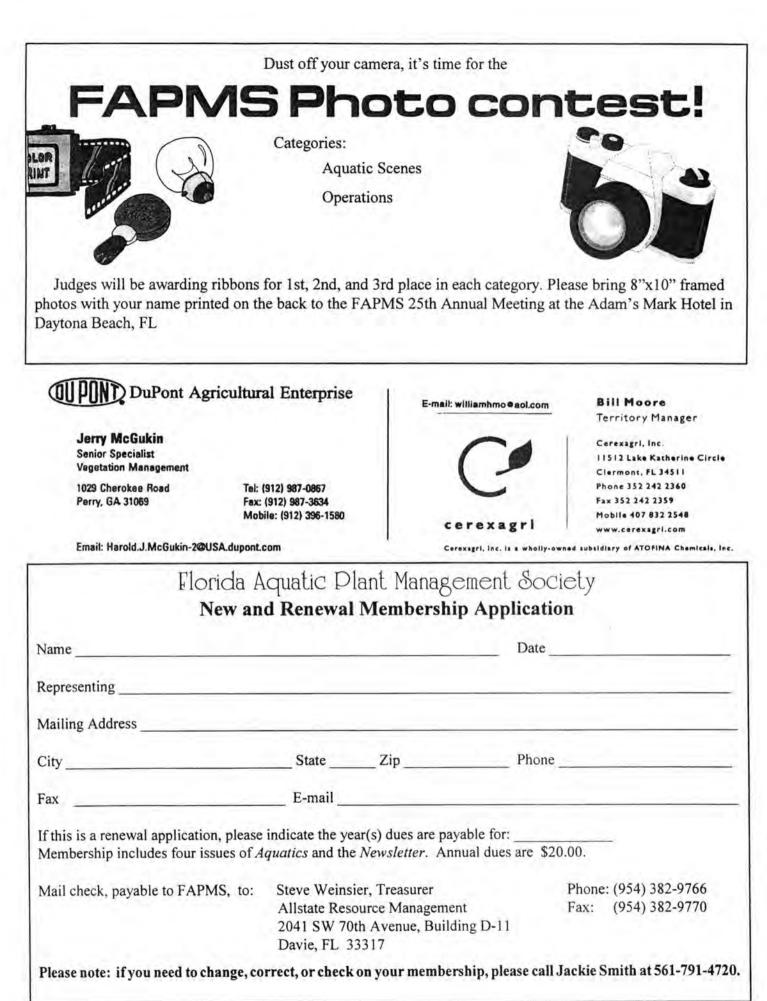
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