

Extension Comings and Goings
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- The 2006 Extension Symposium was a great success. Thanks for your attendance and positive comments. We hope it was a valuable experience for you. You will soon be receiving an evaluation form. We would appreciate it greatly if you could fill it out promptly. This will help us tremendously to plan our next symposium. Please go to the following link to see photos of this event: <http://extadmin.ifas.ufl.edu/>

- **NACAA Hall of Fame Award**
Congratulations to Lowell Loadholtz who has been selected as the Southern Region winner. Lowell will be one of the four first recipients of the award recognized at this years AM/PIC in Cincinnati.

- To view the listing of the winners of the 2005 UF/IFAS IMAGE Awards Program, please follow this link: <http://emr.ifas.ufl.edu/imageawards.html>

- **Helping to Stomp out Bugs**
The 7th Annual General Household Pest Technician Class just graduated 17 technicians who completed 20 hours of University of Florida research based classroom and practical instruction, which was taught by Commercial Horticulture Agent Pamela Mattis and held at the Duval County Extension Office. The 30 participants in the class represented 10 local Pest Control companies who took time after they finished their routes to cover material on how to safely manage pest problems in and around the home. Discussions covered management of cockroaches, ants, rodents, flies and other annoying critters that threaten public health.

- **Turning over a new leaf through Family and Consumer Education**
The Duval County Extension office has a great working relationship with the Community Corrections Division of the City of Jacksonville which allows our Extension Education Professionals to offer a variety of programs to inmates which help them prepare for life outside jail walls. For instance, Family Resource Agent Anita McKinney has a very successful program that teaches lessons of financial responsibility.

Family and Child Development Agent Stephanie Toelle has offered over 83 classes with the Community of Corrections Division since 2002. Overall she has worked with over 1265 participants, teaching them valuable lessons on the subjects of stress management, age appropriate behavior, discipline, communication skills, self esteem, problem solving, and anger management.

- Annually, CSREES, ECS recognizes outstanding leadership in 4-H community mapping programs. May 8th, two Florida 4H agents and adult leaders were recognized. At the recent National Extension Technology Conference in Gainesville Florida, CSREES recognized two outstanding "4H Community Mapping pioneers", Suzanne Wilson, Walton County Florida 4-H Agent and 4-H adult volunteer leader Glenn Horvath, of Suwannee County Florida. Tom Tate, CSREES National Program Leader for the Community Mapping program, presented the recognition to the Awardees. These Outstanding 4-H community mapping Leaders were also recognized at the National CYFAR (Children, Youth and Families At Risk) conference in Atlanta, GA.
- 2006 EPAF Conference
Hold the following dates and make plans to attend:
September 11-14, 2006
Marco Island Marriott
Information on EPAF website: epaf.ifas.ufl.edu
Hotel reservations can be made from the EPAF website
Registration information will be up by June 1, 2006
- It is with great sadness to announce that Dr. John Reynolds passed away on Friday, April 28th. Please keep Karla and John's family in your thoughts and prayers.
- Our Extension Family is growing with new faculty. Please welcome the following new hires:
Anthony Camerino - Citrus County - Courtesy EA I - 5/06
Mary Beth Henry - Hillsborough County - EA I - 5/06
Emily Phillips - Volusia County - Courtesy EA I - 5/06

- Resignations: We want to wish the following faculty the best of luck in their endeavors:
Justin Daugett - Santa Rosa County - Sr. Ag Assistant - 5/06
Sara Cimbalik - Duval County - Program Assistant - 5/06
- After many years of service and dedication to UF/IFAS Extension, Mary Peters, Broward County, retires on May 31, 2006. We want to thank her for all her contributions to UF/IFAS Extension.

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