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Message from the President



FLMS President, Tiffany Trent

Hello FLMS family!

I would like to thank you for the honor of assuming the presidential role this year for our society. One thing I have grown to love about our board over the years is that everyone has an equal voice and an equal vote in all matters and decisions. Regardless of office, there is no hierarchy among us, and everyone's viewpoints and ideas are respected and considered. The FLMS board is truly one of the most functional and caring groups of people I have ever had the pleasure of working with, and I believe we have the best membership support and participation in the state!

Despite the hurricane scare from Idalia, we still managed to pull off a great conference! With cancellations from some of our speakers, board members made a last-minute scramble to rearrange schedules and events, and our speakers were gracious in accepting their altered time slots. We are so very grateful to those of you who joined us, and completely understand those who were unable to. Safety always comes first! I want to especially thank our executive director, Maryann Krisovitch for her continued role as the backbone of our society, and outgoing president Eesa Ali and our secretary Rob Burnes for their amazing and tireless efforts in editing the recorded presentations from this conference.

Our focus at this year's conference was celebrating 50 years of the Clean Water Act. While the Clean Water Act has succeeded in keeping billions of pounds of pollution out of our waterways, it was recently weakened by eliminating longstanding protections for millions of acres of wetlands. We must continue to press our lawmakers to implement policies and common-sense restoration efforts of our most precious resource. We must also encourage and support our young scientists today as they face an anti-science world filled with false-facts and hostility toward sound evidence. Meeting many of them at this year's and past years' conferences gives me hope for our future. Their creativity, ingenuity, and determination to make their planet a better place is inspiring. To our young scientists and students, we love you, we support you, and we believe in you.

Your President,

Tiffany Trent

Even with the hurricane hiccup, we were still able to host 4 different workshops & present a full 36 papers!



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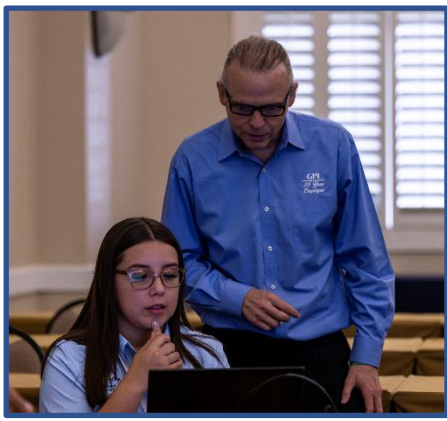
Dr. Dale Laughinghouse &
Dr. David Berthold instructed
the Algal ID workshop.



Oxygenation & Circulation Techniques



Patrick Goodwin leading the Oxygenation and Circulation techniques class



R_Matey!



Dan Schmutz leading the R Shiny app tutorial and students diligently practicing!



Remote In-situ Monitoring



Remote in-situ monitoring taught by Daniel Marchio



Wednesday Morning Keynote

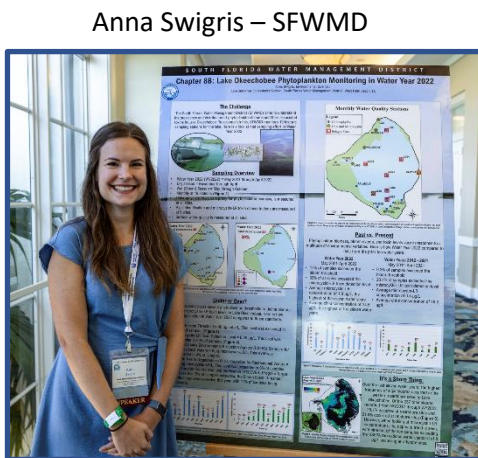


Keynote speaker, Dr. Nick Aumen, Regional Science Advisor – South Florida US Geological Survey speaking on Restoring America's Everglades – Optimizing Water Quality, Quantity, Timing, and Distribution

Poster Session



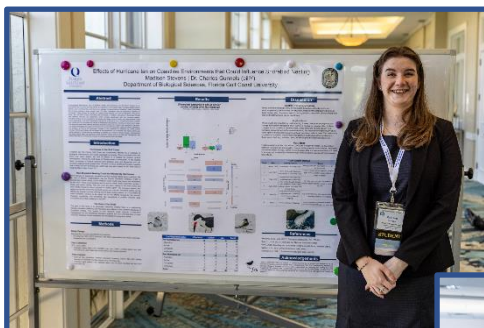
Eli Niles – Florida Gulf Coast University



Anna Swigris – SFWMD



James Preston - WSP



Madison Stevens
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Daniel Marchio - SFWMD



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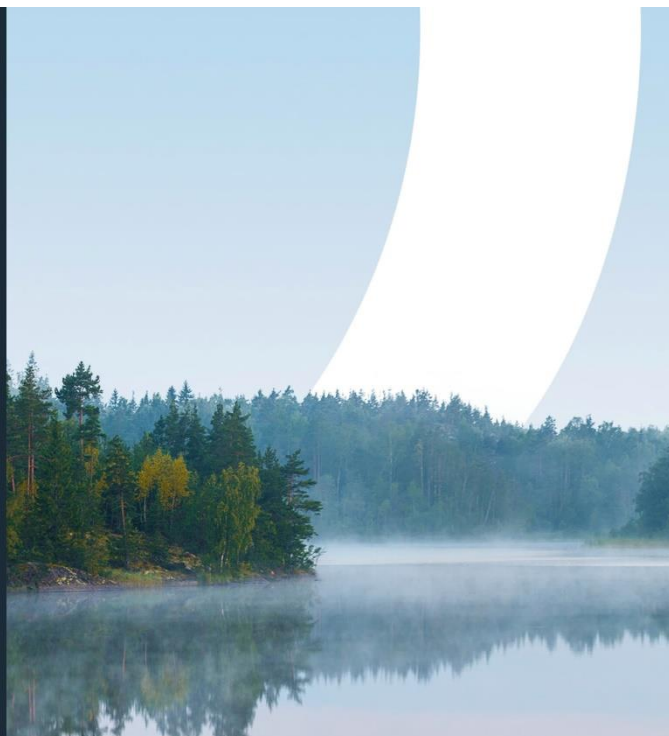
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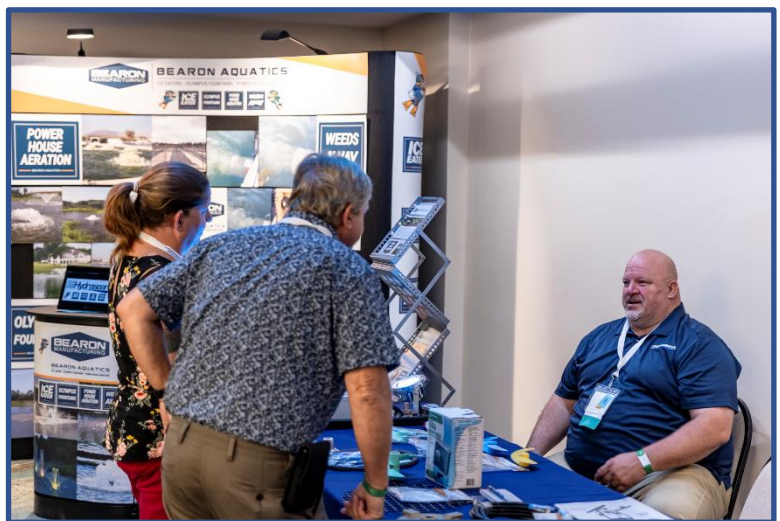
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Award Recipients of 2023!



Every year, FLMS awards distinguished members of the FLMS society
for their various contributions to Florida's natural resources.
Congratulations to our esteemed recipients!!

Category

Recipient

Marjorie Carr Award

Highest honor given for a lifetime of work on Florida's natural resources

Dr. Charles Cichra

Edward Deevey, Jr Award

Contribution to our scientific understanding of Florida's water bodies

Ron Hart

Scott Driver Award

Environmental advocate who has promoted restoration, protection, or appreciation of Florida's aquatic resources

Katie Moncrief

Richard Coleman Aquatic Resources Award

Professional who has worked to restore, protect, or advance our understanding of Florida's aquatic resources

Chris Shea

Marjory Stoneman Douglas Award

Individuals in the media who report on aquatic resources

Carlton Ward

Bob Graham Award

A person elected to office who demonstrates a commitment to lake and aquatic resource recognition

Rep. Stephanie Murphy

Dr. Daniel E. Canfield, Jr. Volunteerism Award

A volunteer organization our outstanding volunteer for significant contributions to the research, restoration, or preservation of our water resources

Keep Pinellas Beautiful

Marissa L. Williams Young Professional Award

A young lake management professional who exhibits exemplary professional accomplishments and a commitment to water resource protection and management of our lakes and watersheds

**Shannon Monahan
Devon Moore**

Awards of Excellence Luncheon



Shannon Monahan was fortunate to have her parents present as she received the Marissa L. Williams Young Professional Award.



Dr. Chuck Cichra winner of the Marjorie Carr Lifetime Achievement Award zoomed in due to Hurricane Idalia.



Winner of the Edward Deevey Jr. Award, Ron Hart wonders how so many of his friends kept this a secret from him!



Chris Shea accepts the Richard Coleman Award from Tiffany Trent & Dan Schmutz



Melissa Harrison & Rob Burnes accept the Daniel Canfield Volunteerism Award on Behalf of Keep Pinellas Beautiful.



Dan Schmutz presents the second Marissa L. Williams Young Professional Award to Devon Moore who dutifully stayed at his post back in Winter Haven during the hurricane!

Awards of Excellence Luncheon



Dan Schmutz receives the President's Award as chosen by FLMS President Eesa Ali



Student Presenter Winner Henna Gavem, Florida Gulf Coast University



Student Poster Winner Eli Niles, Florida Gulf Coast University



Surrounded by her family, lifelong advocate for the Wekiva, Katie Moncrief receives the Scott Drive Award from FLMS member Marie Lackey.



Student Poster Winner Madison Stevens, Florida Gulf Coast University



Outgoing FLMS President Eesa Ali passes the gavel to Incoming President Tiffany Trent



Now, that's a peaceful transfer of power!



And YES! We had presentations too!



FLMS would like to thank Payton DeMay of Adventurer's Design for providing us with awesome & complementary photography at this year's symposium!



Notes

Mark your calendar now for the FLMS 33rd Annual Technical Symposium **August 26 –August 30, 2024** at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point in Bonita Springs. The Call for Abstracts and all things symposium will be on our website in the new year. We look forward to networking with you there!



Don't forget about our Photography and Short Film Contest! Deadline is **October 31st**! Details at: <https://flms.net/photography-short-film-contest/>



Did you know that FLMS sponsors innovative lake projects for up to \$5,000?? This year's deadline to apply is **December 1st**. Check out our Love your Lakes grant application at: <https://flms.net/grants/love-your-lake-program/>

Check out our career page! We update it regularly with positions from around the state. Submit yours to Maryann@FLMS.net:
<https://flms.net/announcements-2/job-openings/>

Our Mission

The mission of the Florida Lake Management Society is to promote protection, enhancement, conservation, restoration, and management of Florida's aquatic resources; provide a forum for education and information exchange; and advocate environmentally sound and economically feasible lake and aquatic resource management for the citizens of Florida.



Board members before.....



And after happy hour!

