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Election of Officers and Board of Directors

This year's FLMS ballot is inside this newsletter. Please mark your selections, cut out the page and mail it in. PLEASE VOTE!

Board Proposes Bylaw Changes

The Board is recommending several changes to the FLMS Bylaws. These changes will allow the board to organize the committees with greater flexibility. Another change would remove the term limit from the Treasurer position. This position requires a significant time investment early on to learn the books. Once the Treasurer has learned the system the routine business is less demanding, but still benefits from experience. Removing the term limit would allow an experienced Treasurer to

remain in office as long as they are interested and elected by the membership. Other proposed changes clarify language regarding nominations and elections. The proposed changes would allow for the distribution of information by means other than US mail. The exact language of the proposed changes are listed inside.

Annual FLMS Conference

The FLMS annual conference is coming up in June. Be sure to look over the program and register.



Environmental Fund for Florida (EFF) **Becomes Earth** Share of Florida (ESF)

The Environmental Fund for Florida (EFF) completed their affiliation with Earth Share in June 2001, and became Earth Share of Florida (ESF). Many other state federations affiliated as well, creating the largest environmental federation in the world. The affiliation includes ESF members in national workplace campaigns, and has expanded the Florida based workplace campaigns by a factor of three.

The ESF website is still under construction and will include streaming video. an entirely new look, edited text and modern enhancements. Earth Share National has a very comprehensive website, visit them at:

http://www.earthshare.org/

. Within Florida, the following groups make up the Earth Share of Florida family:

- ٥ 1,000 Friends of Florida
- \Diamond America Littoral Society
- \Diamond Audubon of Florida
- \Diamond Citizens for a Better South Florida
- Earth Share of Florida \Diamond
- Florida Defenders of ٥ the Environment, Inc.
- Florida Division of Izaak \Diamond Walton League of America
- Florida Public Interest ٥ **Research Group** Education Fund

- ٥ Florida Lake Management Society
- \Diamond Florida Native Plant Society
- \Diamond Florida Wildlife Federation
- \Diamond Friends of the Everglades
- \Diamond Indian River Audubon Society of Brevard County
- Legal Environmental \Diamond Assistance Foundation
- \Diamond Rails to Trails Conservancy: Florida Chapter
- ٥ Save the Manatee Club
- \Diamond Sierra Club Foundation. Florida Chapter
- \Diamond Tampa BayWatch
- \Diamond **Tropical Audubon** Society

Carrie Walters has joined Earth Share of Florida as Campaign Coordinator. Many of you may remember Carrie from her days as an At Large member of EFF's Executive Committee, representing Tampa BayWatch. Carrie's experience is comprehensive and includes volunteer coordination. educational outreach, public relations, marketing and development in both the non-profit and private sectors. Carrie also worked on multi-media productions from television to film and everything in between.

Carrie's responsibilities include assisting the Executive Director, Jack LaBounty, in administration and communication with the member organizations, representing Earth Share of Florida at various

events and campaign kick offs, coordinating the existing ESF workplace campaigns and liaising with Earth Share National on campaigns they have brought to the table.

"I have seen, first hand, how so many of Florida's environmental organizations have struggled to balance the need for recognition and funding with their mission and work in the field. I feel that the historical Earth Share affiliation will truly facilitate the efforts of our members by giving them much needed exposure to the public on a national level without putting unrealistic demands on their staff and volunteers."

Best of all, Carrie will be keeping all members in the loop on campaigns in their respective areas and present opportunities to participate in campaign kick offs and other events.

If you have any questions about Earth Share of Florida or would like information on workplace campaigns, you may reach Carrie Walters at:

esflorida@earthlink.net.

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Conference Registration Florida Lake Management Society 13th Annual Meeting 2002 Annual Conference Naples, Florida June 10 - 13, 2002



Name:	Affiliation:	
Address:		
County:		
Phone: Home:		
Work:	Fax:	
Early Registration* (Th	ree Day Conference June 11-13) \$125.00	
Registration (Three Day	Conference June 11-13) \$150.00	
Registration at the Conference	erence (Three Day Conference) \$160.00	
Student	\$75.00	
Spouse	\$75.00	
Daily Registration (Per	- Day) \$45.00	
Workshops (June 10 - Eac	ch workshop is limited to 20 Students) \$20.00	
Water Quality Monitorin	g Lake and Pond Restoration	
Aquatic Plant ID (1/2 day	AM) Plus Biological Monitoring Methods (1/2 day PM)	
Additional Banquet Ticl	xet \$18.00	

Please make checks payable to: The Florida Lake Management Society and return to: Florida Lake Management Society, P. O. Box 950701, Lake Mary, Fl., 32795-0701.

Note: Conference registration must be post marked by April 1, 2002 to secure the **Early Registration** fee. Three day registrations include daily breakfast and breaks on June 11, 12 and 13, a banquet luncheon on June 12 and evening receptions on June 11 and 12. If ADA assistance is required then please indicate your needs on the front of this registration form.

Hotel rooms at a reduced conference rate of \$95.00 per night are available at The Naples Beach Hotel. Reservations must be made with The Naples Beach Hotel prior to April 10, 2002 to secure a room at the conference rate. To make your reservation, call the Naples Beach Hotel at (800) 866-1946. To learn more about the Naples Beach Hotel visit their web site at (www.naplesbeachhotel.com).

For more conference information visit the FLMS wed site at <u>www.nalms.org/flms/florida.html</u> or contact the Conference Chair, Chuck Hanlon at <u>chanlon@sfwmd.gov</u> or (561) 682-6748.

Conference Program

Monday June 10

8:00 - 4:30 Registration

8:30 - 10:00 Workshops (Session 1) Immokalee Rooms

Room L - Lake and Pond Restoration

Room M - Water Quality Monitoring

Room N - Aquatic Plant ID (AM) / Biological Monitoring Methods (PM)

10:00 - 10:20 Break (refreshments provided)

10:20 - 11:50 Workshops (Session 2) Immokalee Rooms

Room L - Lake and Pond Restoration

Room M - Water Quality Monitoring

Room N - Aquatic Plant ID (AM) / Biological Monitoring Methods (PM)

11:50 - 1:00 Lunch (On Your Own)

1:00 - 2:30 Workshops (Session 3) Immokalee Rooms

Room L - Lake and Pond Restoration

Room M - Water Quality Monitoring

Room N - Aquatic Plant ID (AM) / Biological Monitoring Methods (PM)

2:30 - 2:50 Break (refreshments provided)

2:50 - 4:20 Workshops

(Session 4) Immokalee Rooms

Room L - Lake and Pond Restoration

Room M - Water Quality Monitoring

Room N - Aquatic Plant ID (AM) / Biological Monitoring Methods (PM)

Tuesday June 11

8:00 - 5:00 Registration

8:20 - 8:30 Welcome and Opening Remarks

Session 1: 8:30 - 9:50 Ecology and Management of Cyanobacteria Blooms

9:50 - 10:10 Break (refreshments provided)

Session 2: 10:10 - 11:50 Ecology and Management of Cyanobacteria Blooms

11:50 - 1:20 Lunch (On Your Own)

12:00 - 2:00 Board Meeting (Goodland Room)

Session 3: 1:20 - 3:00 Fish and Wildlife Studies

Break (refreshments provided)

Session 4: 3:20 - 5:00 Watershed Action for Lake Remediation

5:15 - 6:15 Exhibitors Reception

Wednesday June 12

8:00 - 5:00 Registration 8:20 - 8:30 Announcements and Door Prizes

Session 5: 8:30 - 10:10 Effects of Water Level Fluctuation of Aquatic Macrophytes

10:10 - 10:30 Break (refreshments provided)

Session 6: 10:30 - 11:50 Human Health Issues/Exotic and Invasive Species

11:50 - 1:50 Banquet Lunch Provided / Awards / Business Meeting Everglades Dining Room

Session 7: 1:50 - 3:30 Exotic and Invasive Species

3:30 - 3:45 Break (refreshments provided)

Session 8: 3:45 - 5:05 Water Quality / Water Quality Modeling

Sunset Beach Party 7:30 - 9:00 (Drinks and Snacks Provided) Coconut Grove Beach

Thursday June 13

8:20 - 8:30 Announcements and Door Prizes

Session 9: 8:30 - 10:10 Total Maximum Daily Loads

10:10 - 10:30 Break (refreshments provided)

Session 10: 10:30 - 12:10 Critical Issues in Lake Restoration

12:10 - 12:20 Closing Remarks & Adjourn

Proposed Changes to FLMS Bylaws

Please consider the following proposed changes, which will be discussed at the Annual Business Meeting in Naples.

1. ARTICLE IV. MEMBERSHIP.

SECTION C. The annual membership dues for each of the membership categories shall be as follows: Individuals \$15.00 25.00

2. ARTICLE V. BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

SECTION D. The terms of all Officers, except the Treasurer, shall be for one (1) year, beginning at the adjournment of each Annual Meeting of the Society, and continuing until the adjournment of the following year's Annual Meeting of the Society, or until their successors are duly elected. The term of the Treasurer shall be for one (1) year, beginning at the start of the next fiscal year following each Annual Meeting of the Society, and continuing until the end of that fiscal year, or until a successor is duly elected. The Treasurer-elect shall serve as a Director beginning at the adjournment of each Annual Meeting of the Society and continuing until (s)he assumes responsibility as Treasurer at the start of the next fiscal year. The terms of Directors shall be for two (2) years, beginning at the adjournment of the following year's Annual Meeting of the Society, or until their successors are duly elected. The Directors will serve staggered terms with half of them elected each year. Officers the Past President and Directors may succeed themselves for one term for a limit of two (2) terms, *except for Treasurer*.

3. ARTICLE VI. DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS.

SECTION A. The PRESIDENT shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Society; he or she shall preside at all meetings of the Society and the Board. He or she shall appoint the Chairs and members of all Committees, and may serve as an ex officio member of any and all Committees. He or she shall see that all bylaws and any rules and regulations as may by adopted by the Society and the Board are enforced; he or she shall execute all contracts and other instruments which shall have been approved or ratified by the Board. He or she **(or designee)** shall prepare and deliver the annual report and all other communications to NALMS.

4. ARTICLE VII. COMMITTEES.

SECTION A. Standing Committees of the Society are an appropriate and useful way to conduct Society business. Committees that reflect the major functions of the Society may be shall be a Program Committee, a Finance Committee and an Operations Committee- Awards Committee, Membership Committee, Conference Committee, By-Laws Committee. Standing committees may be identified by the Board as needed to effectively carry out the Mission Statement of the Society. The Standing Committee Chairs and members shall be members of the Board and appointed by the President in consultation with the Board of Directors. Working committees will be established by the Standing Committees to accomplish specific Standing Committee goals.

5. ARTICLE VIII. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS.

SECTION A. Nominations for Officers and Directors for the following year shall be received by the Nominating Committee at least 90 days before the Annual Meeting of the Society. The Committee shall submit a ballot including its nominations to the membership of the Society. The Committee may nominate one or more candidates for each office to be filled. All candidates must be an individual member of the Society.

6. ARTICLE VIII. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS.

SECTION E. Ballots shall be mailed *distributed* to all members at least 60 days before the Annual Meeting of the Society, and shall be returned to the chair of the nominating Committee at least 15 days before the date and time of the call-to-order of the Annual Meeting.

7. ARTICLE VIII. NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS.

SECTION F. Society members may cast one (1) vote by mail *, electronic mail, fax or other method except voice* for one (1) candidate under each Officer position. Members may cast one (1) vote each for each Director position. Ballots will provide space for a write-in candidate for each Board position.

Board of Directors' Meetings

The FLMS Board of Directors has established the following schedule of meetings for 2001-2002. The meetings are open to all FLMS members. Any FLMS member is invited to attend to view the Society in action or provide input on current issues.

Meetings are held at the Reedy Creek Improvement District office at Disney and begin at 11 am. For specific directions, contact any Board member. The next meetings are on April 5 and May 17.

Calendar of Events

- April 5 18th Annual -ASCE Water Resources Seminar at Disney's Boardwalk.
- May 9 Central Chapter Public Meeting (see chapter news)
- ◆ June 10-14 Florida Lake Management Society Annual Conference Naples, FL

Chapter News

Southwest Florida

In February the FLMS Board of Directors accepted the charter documents from the SWFLMS Chapter Organization Committee to officially create a new FLMS chapter in SW Florida. The new Chapter will be designed to meet the needs of a 16 County area and will conduct public education and information meetings that rotate through the region. The chapter officers are President - Adam Munson, Vice President - Kelli Levy, Secretary Joanne Spurlino and Treasurer David Jones. The chapter will hold its next meeting at the FLMS conference in Naples on Tuesday after the reception.

Central Florida Chapter News

The Central Chapter is having a public meeting May 9 at the Orange **County Administration** Building, Downtown Orlando at 7:00 pm. The topic is water quality issues. The next public meeting will be August 8 at the same location, topic not yet decided. The Central Chapter also has monthly business meetings the 1st Tuesday of every month in the 3rd floor conference room of the Orange County Admin Building at 7:00 pm. If you have any questions, call Shannon Carter at 407-858-6100.

Northwest Florida

Chapter News

The North Florida Chapter is sponsoring a candidate's form on Environmental Issues with the Big Bend Environmental Forum (BBEF) for local elections, which will be held in August and October 2002. We are also asking for volunteer divers to help locate Hydrilla colonies in Lake Hall. This is an exceptionally clear north Florida Lake, in Maclay Gardens that has recently had Hydrilla introduced. Location of existing colonies will help insure successful eradication efforts. For additional information please contact Sean McGlynn, Chapter President at mcglynnlabs@cs.com

FLMS is a proud member of Earth Share of Florida (ESF) and hopes you will consider making a payroll deduction to support Earth Share and Florida's environmental groups. Check with your employer and ESF to see how easy it is to support Earth Share. The Florida Lake Management Society (FLMS) is a 501(c)(3) Nonprofit Organization. A COPY OF THE OFFICIAL REGISTRATION AND **FINANCIAL** INFORMATION MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE DIVISION OF CONSUMER SERVICES BY CALLING TOLL-FREE WITHIN THE STATE, 1-800-435-7352. REGISTRATION DOES NOT IMPLY DENDORSEMENT, APPROVAL, OR RECOMMENDATION BY THE STATE. FLMS **RECEIVES 100% OF** EACH CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTION. SC-03578



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BALLOT FOR THE FLORIDA LAKES MANAGEMENT SOCIETY

OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

Nominations have been made for the following positions. There is a space for write-in candidates as well. Please make your choices and respond by mail by May 30, 2002.

Officers		
President: Rick Baird, Orange County		
Write In:		
Vice President: Shailesh K. Patel, BCI Engineers & Scientists, Inc.		
Write In:		
Secretary: Erich Marzolf, SJRWMD		
Write In:		
Treasurer: Julie McCrystal, EFF Representative		
Write In:		
Board of Directors (Vote for 5)		

Carlos Fernandes, Hillsborough County (currently on board)

Jim Griffin, SWFWMD (currently on board)

Patricia Hardy, Green Alternatives, Inc. (currently on board)

Dharmen Setaram, Hydrolab (new director)

Clell Ford, Highlands County Lake Manager (new director)

Write In:_____

Write In:_____

If you would like to request a bio or more information about any of the nominations, please contact Lucee Price at flmshome@aol.com .

Please mail your completed ballots by May 30, 2002 to: FLMS, P.O. Box 950701, Lake Mary, FL 32795-0701.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION AND INPUT!!!

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Name:	Affiliation:
Address:	City:
County:	State: Zip:
Phone: Home: ()	Email:
Work: <u>()</u>	Fax:
Areas of Shareable Knowledge	

Annual Dues (Includes Newsletter)

Individual	\$15
Non-Profit Organization	\$35
Business/Corporate	\$65
Contributor	\$100
Sponsor	\$250

Please make checks payable to: The Florida Lake Management Society and return to the above address.