

JUNE 2019 PLP BULLETIN



Yurui Xie will be joining the Plant Pathology Department as a Biological Scientist II on June 3. Her office will be in room 2513. Please stop by and make her welcome.

Recognition and Announcements



CONGRATULATIONS to Ying-Yu Liao! She received the International Society for Horticulture Science Young Minds Award at the VI International Symposium on Tomato Diseases in Taichung, Taiwan.

Hurricane season is upon us!



June 1st marks the official start of hurricane season that extends until November 30.

Here are a few tips for being prepared if a storm is predicted to affect our area. Stock up now on bottled water, non-perishable food, (manual can opener could be handy), flashlight(s) and batteries, personal care items, medications and cash. Do not forget to have extra pet food and pet care items. It is also recommended to have important documents on hand such as insurance policy, ID and proof of residence. Keep a list of important phone numbers handy and inform your family and friends of your emergency plan. Click on the attached link for a printable Hurricane Survival Guide https://emergency.ufl.edu/preparedness/be-informed/hurricane-preparedness/gatorsafe-hurricane-brochurev-2016/

Alachua County Division of Emergency Management **UF Police Department** UF Emergency Management (emergency.ufl.edu)

352-264-6500 352-392-1111 352-273-2100 Alert Alachua. Similar to the UF Alert, Alachua County Emergency Management has a notification service. Employees and off-campus students are encouraged to participate in order to receive emergency notifications involving the community. Sign-up is available at www.AlertAlachua.com

--- STAY INFORMED ---



If you have not yet downloaded the "Gator Safe" APP, please take a moment to do so.

FY2019 Shared Service Center Year End Schedule

The FY2019 year-end schedule has been announced by Finance and Accounting. Due to the accelerated schedule for this year the IFAS Shared Service Center will be managing year end differently. Instead of having multiple year end deadlines, we will have two; a submission deadline, a response deadline. *This will prevent any confusion as to the type of transaction and will ensure we have time to clear anything that may be delayed in hitting the system (i.e. PCards, Invoices, etc.)*

Submissions Deadline: <u>Friday June 7, 2019.</u> This will be for ALL STATE year- end transactions and will allow the SSC to prioritize and process anything that is submitted to the SSC by June 7, 2019. This includes all fiscal and budget transactions (PCard, Invoices, Travel Authorizations, Travel Expense Reports, budget transfer requests, Payroll Retro Requests, etc.)

Response Deadline: <u>Friday June 14, 2019</u>. Following any submissions, the SSC team will have one week to collect any outstanding paperwork, resolve any issues, and get any additional approvals to complete transactions. All responses must be received by the SSC by Friday June 14, 2019 to ensure we have time to finalize transactions.

<u>On June 20, 2019, all college level processors and departments will be locked out at 5:00 P.M</u>. The SSC needs this time to wrap up all transactions, to ensure anything submitted by the deadline is processed and posted to FY19 funds.

Again, to ensure your FY2019 **STATE** transactions are processed prior to the shutdown please be sure to submit all required documentation, approvals, and justifications by June 7, 2019. While we will make every effort to process all transactions up until the shutdown, you can help us expedite your work by having all necessary paperwork to us as quickly as possible. We will continue to work with all our departments to push through expenditures, but we will be unable to make multiple contacts to folks to resolve issues.

Additionally, please continue to submit any transactions on other funds (Cash/CYFWD/Projects) as we will be processing as time permits. Even when the system is down, our team will be working to collect any necessary documents to continue processing when everything opens back up for FY20 in early July.

CONTACT JO ANN DAVIS should you have any questions; jodavis@ufl.edu



Positions in Plant Pathology

Current job listings can now be found via the JOBS button on the front page of our website. http://plantpath.ifas.ufl.edu/job-postings

Recent listings below -

<u>The University of Florida is seeking an Assistant Professor-Postharvest Pathology in the department of</u> <u>Plant Pathology</u>. Additional information is available at this link: <u>https://apply.interfolio.com/60952</u>

The University of Florida is seeking an Assistant Professor, Teacher Scholar in the department of Plant **Pathology.** Additional information is available at this link: <u>https://apply.interfolio.com/63140</u>

<u>The University of Florida is seeking a Lecturer in the department of Agronomy – Agroecology and</u> <u>Plant Sciences</u>. Additional information is available at this link: <u>https://apply.interfolio.com/63051</u>

<u>Oregon State University is seeking a Faculty Research Assistant in the department of Botany & Plant</u> <u>Pathology</u>. Additional information is available at this link- <u>https://jobs.oregonstate.edu/postings/73393</u>

<u>North Dakota State University is seeking an Assistant Professor in the department of Plant Pathology</u>. Additional information is available at this link- <u>http://jobs.ndsu.edu</u> and search Job 1901061.

<u>University of Minnesota is seeking an Assistant Professor in the department of Plant Pathology</u>. Additional information is available at this link- <u>https://humanresources.umn.edu/jobs</u> and search Job ID 330691.



Upcoming Holidays and Events

June 14	Coffee Break 🖄 Hosted by Garrett, White, Greenhouse,
	Harmon (x2), PLP Admin, Spakes-Richter
June 20	PLP Workshop – "Plants get sick too!"
June 21	First Day of Summer

HOW TO STAY SAFE WHEN EXTREME HEAT THREATENS

Be Safe

DURING



Find places in your community where you can go to get cool.

Try to keep your home cool:

- Cover windows with drapes or shades.
- Weather-strip doors and windows.
- Use window reflectors such as aluminum foil-covered cardboard to reflect heat back outside.
- Add insulation to keep the heat out.
- Use a powered attic ventilator, or attic fan, to regulate the heat level of a building's attic by clearing hot air.
- Install window air conditioners and insulate around them.

Learn to recognize the signs of heat illness. For more information visit: www.cdc.gov/disasters/ extremeheat/warning.html.

Take an Active Role in Your Safety

Go to **Ready.gov** and search for **extreme heat**. Download the **FEMA app** to get more information about preparing for **extreme heat**. Never leave a child, adult, or animal alone inside a vehicle on a warm day.

Find places with air conditioning. Libraries, shopping malls, and community centers can provide a cool place to take a break from the heat.

If you're outside, find shade. Wear a hat wide enough to protect your face.

Wear loose, lightweight, lightcolored clothing.

Drink plenty of fluids to stay hydrated. If you or someone you care for is on a special diet, ask a doctor what would be best.

Do not use electric fans when the temperature outside is more than 95 degrees. You could increase the risk of heat-related illness. Fans create air flow and a false sense of comfort, but do not reduce body temperature.

Avoid high-energy activities.

Check yourself, family members, and neighbors for signs of heatrelated illness.





Know the signs and ways to treat heat-related illness.

Heat Cramps

- **Signs:** Muscle pains or spasms in the stomach, arms, or legs.
- Actions: Go to a cooler location. Remove excess clothing. Take sips of cool sports drinks with salt and sugar. Get medical help if cramps last more than an hour.

Heat Exhaustion

- **Signs:** Heavy sweating, paleness, muscle cramps, tiredness, weakness, dizziness, headache, nausea or vomiting, and fainting.
- Actions: Go to an air-conditioned place and lie down. Loosen or remove clothing. Take a cool bath. Take sips of cool sports drinks with salt and sugar. Get medical help if symptoms get worse or last more than an hour.

Heat Stroke

- **Signs:** Extremely high body temperature (above 103 degrees) indicated by an oral thermometer; red, hot, and dry skin with no sweat; rapid, strong pulse; dizziness; confusion; and unconsciousness.
- Actions: Call 9-1-1 or get the person to a hospital immediately. Cool down with whatever methods are available until medical help arrives.



For all new personnel and annually for all others, the Worker Protection Standard (WPS) video **must be** viewed **<u>BEFORE</u>** gaining access to any greenhouse. **Please contact Mike Stilwell if you are uncertain of when your renewal is due.**





Wednesdays are **"Spray Days".** If special arrangements are needed, you must send your request via e-mail to <u>mstilwel@ufl.edu</u> by 4:30 p.m. Tuesday.



Biohazard Waste – Environmental Health & Safety (EH&S) Protocol



• Waste Containers

- Located in 1311F near loading dock
- Available after 1pm on Wednesdays
- Removed at 9am **sharp** on Fridays
- $\circ~$ DO NOT leave bags on the floor. This will result in citation from EH & S

• Autoclave Bags – please follow ALL steps below

- Use only autoclave bags that are rated for at least 132* Celsius for plant material and soil
- DO NOT overfill
- Please secure bag with the twist ties provided, DO NOT use autoclave tape to secure bag or tie in knots!
- Please place a piece of 3-4 inch autoclave tape on a flat surface of the bag in a place that is easy to see
- DO NOT include items that will puncture bags
- Use a permanent marker to identify each bag with name of principal investigator and lab room number

If you have questions, or need assistance, call Mike Stilwell at (352) 392-4478.