

FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL

CITRUS PACKINGHOUSE DAY

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CITRUS RESEARCH & EDUCATION CENTER
700 Experiment Station Road
Lake Alfred, FL 33850-2299

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FLORIDA CITRUS PACKERS

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FORWARD

Welcome to the Forty-Eight Annual Citrus Packinghouse Day! While citrus canker regulatory issues appear poised to relax somewhat, the industry continues to face challenges from canker, food safety requirements, and the ever present threat of decay and/or peel disorders. To help overcome these issues, industry representatives and scientists from the University of Florida and the United States Department of Agriculture will bring you the latest regulatory and scientific developments of practical interest to your business.

This year's program will include a presentation on the latest developments with the proposed citrus canker rule. In addition, there will be two food safety presentations on how to successfully complete a third party audit and about development of citrus-specific GAPs for Florida. While decay has not been much of a problem in recent years, the plentiful rains may result in increased disease pressure this season. Accordingly, an update on decay control methods and the effect of new compounds on fresh fruit quality has been included. Rounding out the program will be presentations on the effect of washing citrus on subsequent degreening and the development of electronic grading technology.

Most exhibitors will again be located in the foyer and adjacent room of the Ben Hill Griffin Jr. Auditorium. This will facilitate interaction between participants and exhibitors. An exhibitor list is provided including the names, addresses, telephone numbers, and products sold. Be sure to stop by DECCO's exhibitor booth to say thanks for their generous lunch sponsorship and donation for custom-designed Packinghouse Day hats.

Finally, please complete and turn in an evaluation form; they provide valuable feedback on how we can improve Packinghouse Day.

Mark A. Ritenour
Program Coordinator

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8:30 AM REGISTRATION

9:30 AM INTRODUCTIONS AND HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS

Dr. Mark A. Ritenour, Program Coordinator
Indian River Research and Education Center, Ft. Pierce

WELCOME AND UPDATE ON STATEWIDE CITRUS PROGRAMS

Dr. Jacqueline K. Burns, Interim Center Director
Citrus Research and Education Center, Lake Alfred

UPDATE OF USDA PROGRAMS

Dr. Jan Narciso, Research Microbiologist
USDA ARS Citrus and Subtropical Research Lab, Winter Haven

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS AND MODERATOR

Mr. Richard Kinney, Executive Vice President
Florida Citrus Packers, Lakeland

All meetings will be held in the Ben Hill Griffin Jr. Auditorium

Packinghouse Day Coordinators:

Mark Ritenour, Ph.D. and Jan Narciso, Ph.D. – Program Coordinators
Michelle Danyluk, Ph.D. – Local Arrangements Coordinator

MORNING SESSION

- 10:00 AM** **UPDATE ON THE NEW CANKER RULE** - *Richard Kinney, Executive Vice President, Florida Citrus Packers, Lakeland*
- 10:15 AM** **ISSUES IN SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETING THIRD PARTY CERTIFICATION PROGRAMS: GAPS, HACCP AND FRUIT QUALITY** - *Mike Ziegler, Agricultural Resource Management, Vero Beach*
- 10:30 AM** **CITRUS-SPECIFIC GAPs AND THE NEED FOR CONTINUED HACCP-BASED TRAINING FOR FLORIDA'S FRESH PRODUCERS AND PACKERS** - *Michelle Danyluk, UF/IFAS, Citrus REC, Lake Alfred*
- 10:45 AM** **RECENT RESEARCH IN CALIFORNIA TO MINIMIZE POSTHARVEST DECAY OF CITRUS BY PRE- AND POSTHARVEST ACTIONS** - *Joseph Smilanick, USDA/ARS San Joaquin Valley Agricultural Sciences Center, Parlier, CA*
- 11:15 AM** **NEW PRODUCTS AND APPLICATION TO IMPROVE FRESH FRUIT QUALITY** - *Jan Narciso, USDA/ARS, Winter Haven*
- 11:30 AM** **POSSIBILITIES FOR GRADING FRESH CITRUS BEFORE DEGREENING** - *Mark Ritenour, UF/IFAS, Indian River REC, Ft. Pierce*
- 11:45 AM** **CITRUS PACKING LINE FRUIT BLEMISH AND DISEASE ELIMINATION USING HYPERSPECTRAL AND MULTISPECTRAL IMAGING TECHNOLOGY** - *Tom Burks, UF/IFAS, Agricultural & Biological Engineering Department, Gainesville*
- 12:00 to 1:00 PM** - Lunch – Sponsored by DECCO

NOTES

For copies of many of today's presentations, visit the University of Florida Postharvest Programs & Information website at <http://postharvest.ifas.ufl.edu> and click on "Previous Events."