53rd Annual Citrus Packinghouse Day

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FORWARD

Welcome to the Fifty-third Annual Citrus Packinghouse Day! From industry activities and University of Florida and United States Department of Agriculture research related to the proposed produce safety rule, regulatory requirement related to citrus diseases (e.g., citrus black spot), keeping markets open, effects of HLB on fruit quality, and the impact of packaging on fruit quality and aiding transportation, retail and marketing activities, this year’s Packinghouse Day covers a host of timely issues of great importance to the industry.

This is the first year of rotating Packinghouse Day between the Citrus Research and Education Center in Lake Alfred, and the Indian River Research and Education Center in Fort Pierce. Besides gaining better state-wide accessibility, the single event, allows Packinghouse Day to accommodate afternoon industry meetings as needed, including the Florida Citrus Packers who will hold their annual organizational and business meeting. Next year, Packinghouse Day will be back in Lake Alfred.

Representatives from several companies will be on hand to provide valuable information for your business. Be sure to check out what they have to offer. An exhibitor list is available including the names, addresses, telephone numbers, and products sold. Special thanks goes to JBT FoodTech for their financial support of the fantastic lunch this year. Be sure to stop by their booth and give them a hearty “Thank You.”

Finally, please complete and turn in an evaluation form as you go to lunch; they provide us with valuable feedback on how we can improve Packinghouse Day.

Mark A. Ritenour
Program Coordinator
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Thursday, August 21, 2014

8:30 AM  REGISTRATION

9:30 AM  WELCOME & HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS

**Dr. Mark A. Ritenour**, Program Coordinator

CITRUS PROGRAMS AT IRREC

**Dr. Peter J. Stoffella**, Professor and Center Director  
IRREC, Fort Pierce

MODERATOR & OPENING REMARKS

**Mr. Peter Chaires**, Executive Vice President  
Florida Citrus Packers, Lakeland

All meetings will be held in room 100 (North auditorium) of O.C. Minton Hall

**Packinghouse Day Coordinators:**

Mark Ritenour, Ph.D. – Program Coordinator  
Parker Platts – IRREC Local Arrangements Coordinator  
Michelle Danyluk, Ph.D. – CREC Local Arrangements Coordinator
MORNING SESSION

10:00 AM Maintaining Trade Markets via a Citrus Black Spot Probabilistic Risk Model – Tim Gottwald, USDA/ARS, Fort Pierce

10:15 AM Export Protocols for This Season – Michael Mulligan, USDA APHIS PPQ, Gainesville

10:25 AM Revised Tangerine/Mandarin Classifications – Peter Chaires, Florida Citrus Packers, Lakeland

10:40 AM Understanding Packaging for Citrus and the Distribution Environment – Jean Pierre Emond, Cold Chain Research, Electro-Optical Systems Laboratory, The Illuminate Group, Florida

10:55 AM Update on Citrus Fruit UV Light Treatments – Kevin Folta, UF/IFAS, Horticultural Sciences Department, Gainesville

11:10 AM Fruit Contact Water Under FSMA’s Produce Safety Rule – What’s New for Florida Citrus – Michelle Danyluk, UF/IFAS Citrus REC, Lake Alfred

11:25 AM Why Huanglongbing/Greening Causes Preharvest Fruit Drop and What are the Physical Properties of the Diseased Fruits – Jinhe Bai, USDA/ARS, Fort Pierce

11:40 AM Update on Fruit Quality Issues, Peel Breakdown, and Decay Control – Mark Ritenour, UF/IFAS Indian River REC, Fort, Pierce

11:50 AM Presentation of the John T. Lesley Award – George Hamner, Florida Citrus Packers Association Board Member & Past President

12:00 to 1:00 PM - Lunch – Sponsored by JBT Food Tech
NOTES

For copies of many of today’s presentations, visit the University of Florida Postharvest Programs and Information website at http://irrec.ifas.ufl.edu/postharvest/ and click on “Previous Events.”