



# SUMMER NEWSLETTER

## SERV PROGRAM

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### IN THIS EDITION

#### JUNE EVENT

Check out the Rolling Hills Pond Restoration! This is a new event.

#### ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES

Consider becoming a steward of our environment and community with these fun options!

#### FFL WORKSHOPS

Find out about upcoming Fertilizer Workshops, & Green Industry BMP training!

#### FEATURED VOLUNTEERS

Read about our "Inspiring Volunteer" of the season!



We greatly appreciate our followers and visitors! Thanks for liking, commenting, and sharing.

### PHOTOS FROM THE SPRING



Myrtle Lake



Sweetwater Lakes

### UPCOMING EVENTS



### ROLLING HILLS POND RESTORATION

Saturday, June 8th, 2019, 9 am - 12 pm: Seminole County Watershed Management & the SERV Program invite you to help us plant shoreline vegetation to improve ecosystem function, habitat, and water quality! RSVP: <http://bit.ly/RollingHillsPonds> or contact [serv@seminolecountyfl.gov](mailto:serv@seminolecountyfl.gov), 407-665-2457. Kick-off: 1749 Art Hagan Place, Longwood, FL 32750.

### N HORSESHOE LAKE RESTORATION

Save the date! Saturday, September 28th, 2019, 9 am - 12 pm: Seminole County Watershed Management & the SERV Program invite you to help us plant shoreline vegetation to improve ecosystem function, habitat, and water quality! RSVP: <http://bit.ly/NHorseshoe2019> or contact [serv@seminolecountyfl.gov](mailto:serv@seminolecountyfl.gov), 407-665-2457. Kick-off: TBD.



### MIRROR LAKE RESTORATION

Save the date! Saturday, October 12th, 2019, 9 am - 12 pm: Seminole County Watershed Management & the SERV Program invite you to help us plant shoreline vegetation to improve ecosystem function, habitat, and water quality! RSVP: <http://bit.ly/Mirror2019> or contact [serv@seminolecountyfl.gov](mailto:serv@seminolecountyfl.gov), 407-665-2457. Kick-off: TBD.

### ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES

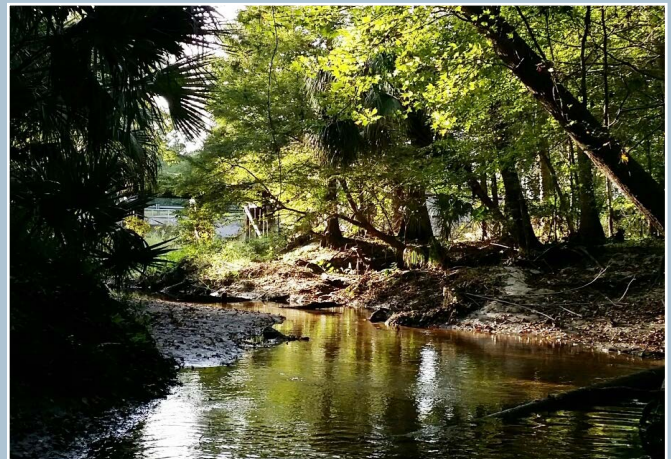


### ADOPT-A-ROAD

Did you know that litter along our roadways can wash into nearby waterways, and harm wildlife? Make a difference by protecting our natural resources and beautifying your community! Adopt your own section of road in Seminole County (FREE sign!) and schedule clean-ups at your convenience (4 per year). Contact Elizabeth Stephens (407-665-2457; [serv@seminolecountyfl.gov](mailto:serv@seminolecountyfl.gov)) for more information.

### ADOPT-A-RIVER

Do you have your own canoe or kayak? Help protect our water resources and reduce pollution by joining our Adopt-A-River Program! Adopt your own section of river in Seminole County and schedule clean-ups at your convenience (2 per year). Contact Elizabeth Stephens (407-665-2457; [serv@seminolecountyfl.gov](mailto:serv@seminolecountyfl.gov)) for more information.



### ADOPT-A-PARK

The Adopt-A-Park Program facilitates the monitoring, clean-up and enhancement of parks, natural lands, trails, and trailheads maintained in Seminole County. For more information and to join this great program, contact Seminole County Leisure Services at 407-665-2001.



### ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES



### STORMDRAIN MARKING

Are you looking for an independent project to help protect the environment? Stormdrain marking is a wonderful way for volunteers to help educate the public about water quality, and protect our local waterbodies! Volunteers are trained, given a map and supplies, and then can track their progress over time. Contact Elizabeth Stephens (407-665-2457; [serv@seminolecountyfl.gov](mailto:serv@seminolecountyfl.gov)) for more information.

### LAKEWATCH

Do you live on a lake? If so, consider joining LAKEWATCH! This citizen volunteer lake monitoring program facilitates “hands-on” participation in the management of FL lakes, rivers, & coastal sites through monthly monitoring activities. For more information, please visit <http://lakewatch.ifas.ufl.edu/>, or contact Elizabeth Stephens ([serv@seminolecountyfl.gov](mailto:serv@seminolecountyfl.gov); 407-665-2457).



### ADOPT-A-SHELTER

This Program is an opportunity for any non-profit, faith-based, or private organization to demonstrate community involvement and support for the County's emergency shelters and citizens in a disaster. The American Red Cross and the Office of Emergency Management will provide free training for all volunteers wanting to assist in a shelter. For more information, click [HERE](#) or contact 407-665-5102

### SUMMER FEATURE



#### FLORIDA FRIENDLY LANDSCAPING

**FERTILIZER WORKSHOPS:** June 1st is the start to the restricted period for fertilizing with nitrogen or phosphorous in Seminole County! Confused about what that means or how to have healthy turf throughout the summer? Join UF/IFAS Extension in Seminole County for bimonthly workshops offered at various locations about "Fertilizing Effectively in Sandy Florida Soils." Workshop details will be announced soon on Eventbrite: <http://www.seminolecountyfl.gov/fertworkshop>

**GI-BMP TRAINING:** Aug. 13, or Sept. 5, from 8 am - 4 pm, Seminole County Extension Auditorium, 250 West County Home Rd, Sanford. The Green Industry Best Management Practices (GI-BMP) training is a science-based educational program for Green Industry workers (lawn-care and landscape maintenance professionals). This training teaches environmentally safe landscaping practices that help conserve and protect Florida's ground and surface waters. CEUs Available! Cost: \$30.00. Seating is limited, pre-registration is required: [https://gibmp\\_seminole.eventbrite.com/](https://gibmp_seminole.eventbrite.com/)



#### INSPIRING VOLUNTEER

##### SCOTT DYE

###### SERV HISTORY

Scott (hard at work at right, above, and at top left of group photo) has been a SERV volunteer since 2018; he has attended invasive removal and lake restoration events, both with his coworkers, and independently.

###### HIS STORY

Scott notes "I enjoy volunteering at SERV events because I really love being outdoors in nature. It is a chance to be where I like, and I get to meet like-minded people that enjoy the same things."

###### BACKGROUND

Scott is a "true Floridan" - he was born on the west coast (Clearwater) and moved to central Florida in the 1990's. He has lived in Seminole County ever since. Scott works for Solitude Lake Management as an aquatic specialist. He notes: "my job is taking better care of our lakes and ponds around central Florida. I really love my job for that exact reason, it's almost like a dream job."