



Kruissna Alvarado, control room coordinator at Haines City Citrus Growers Association, **was re-cently recognized for her dedication and outstanding work ethic** by the association's director of packing operations, John Soles.

For the third time in the last four years, **Dean Saunders** of Lakeland has **earned Coldwell Banker Commercial's No. 1 Global Sales Professional Award**.

Saunders is the founder of Coldwell Banker Commercial Saunders Real Estate (CBSRE) and is a partner in Coldwell Banker Commercial Saunders Ralston Dantzer Realty, both located in Lakeland. **Saunders and Richard Dempsey**, a Realtor and associate at CBSRE, were **named members of Coldwell Banker Commercial's Top 2% category**,



Saunders



Dempsey

recognizing them as top earners among 3,000 associates in the Coldwell Banker Commercial network.

For the second year in a row, *The Land Report* magazine included **Coldwell Banker Commercial Saunders Real Estate** in a list of America's leading real estate firms specializing in land.

Professor James H. Graham Jr. of the University of Florida-IFAS's (UF-IFAS) Citrus Research and Education Center is **one of six UF-IFAS scientists named as University of Florida Research Foundation professors for 2012-15**. The three-year award includes a \$5,000 annual salary supplement and a one-time \$3,000 grant. The professorships are funded from the university's share of royalty and licensing income on UF-generated products. 🍊

CITRUS WEED SPOTLIGHT

Puncture vine (*Tribulus cistoides*)

By Stephen H. Futch

Leaves: opposite, evenly pinnately compound, 1½ to 2½ inches



long, short-stalked, five to 10 pairs of leaflets

Flowers: light yellow, 1½ to 2 inches across, borne on 1- to 2-inch stalks, single in leaf axils

Fruit: spiny, separating into three segments, hairy

Stem: reddish in color, hairy
Growth pattern: prostrate, branching

Life cycle: summer annual

Stephen H. Futch is a multi-county citrus Extension agent based at the Citrus Research and Education Center in Lake Alfred. 🍊



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