CITRUS WEED SPOTLIGHT

White pellitory, clustered pellitory (Parietaria praetermissa)

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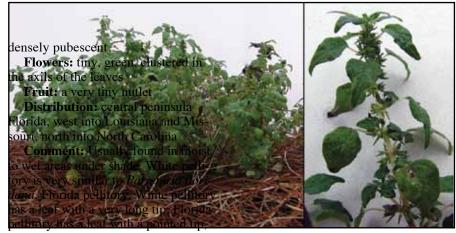


Life cycle: herbaceous annual or short-lived perennial

Plant height: up to 18 inches tall or wide, usually about 8 inches

Leaves: pale green, thin, up to three-quarters of an inch long and nearly as wide, somewhat rounded; widest from the base to middle, palmately three-veined; upper surface smooth or with few fine hairs, more hairs on the veins; margins smooth, often with a line of hairs, tip elongated; leaf stalk (petiole) nearly as long as leaf, clear (translucent), hairy

Stem: simple or commonly branched at the base, usually sprawling and straggly; minutely to



but not long-pointed.

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Citrus Pickins

Marrone Bio Innovations, Inc. has received Environmental Protection Agency approval to delete the bee toxicity warning statement from its Grandevo® Bioinsecticide label. The removal of the toxicity statement is supported by third-party field evaluations that show Grandevo has no increased mortality or detrimental effects to honeybees, the company reported.

Syngenta is again sponsoring the Florida Fruit & Vegetable Association's \$5,000 education scholarship. Applications are being accepted through August 16 at www. SyngentaFFVAScholarship.com. Florida high school seniors and college students pursuing a career in agriculture are eligible to enter.

Four real estate professionals with **Coldwell Banker Commercial Saunders Real Estate** in Lakeland earned Coldwell Banker Commercial Circle of Distinction sales awards based on the 2012 sales year. They are Dean Saunders, Jeff Cusson, Clay Taylor and David Hitchcock.