



Green Farmstead Partner Program Update

Due to unforeseen wet weather conditions, the Coalition to Support Iowa's Farmers has postponed their Nursery Training workshop to August 13. All nursery and landscape professionals interested in learning more about the Green Farmstead Partner program are encouraged to reconsider attending the workshop on the new date.

Viable Programs.

There is no cost to attend this event. A complimentary lunch and up to four state fair tickets will be provided for each participant. For more information or to RSVP, please contact the Coalition at 1-800-932-2436.

This Green Farmstead Partner program training session will provide resources and information to nursery and landscape professionals to help them more effectively work with farmers to install vegetative buffers around livestock barns. This event will be held on August 13, 2010 at the Iowa Soybean Association Office in Ankeny.

There are many benefits for a nursery or landscaping business to participate in the Green Farmstead Partner program. Once the training session has been completed, the Coalition will list each business' contact information on the Green Farmstead Partner program website. Additionally, for each farmer who participates in the Green Farmstead Partner program by requesting a sign, the participating nursery will receive \$250 from the Coalition for farmer assistance.

A variety of speakers will be on hand to address many topics including: Dr. John Tyndall of Iowa State University on vegetative buffer research, animal husbandry issues, and building issues; Mark Pingent and Roger Hunt with Trees Forever on proper species selection, and computer design and concept training; and Dana Holland with the National Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) on NRCS

The Coalition to Support Iowa's Farmers' Green Farmstead Partner program is supported by Trees Forever and the Iowa Nursery and Landscape Association. For more information go to www.supportfarmers.com.

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Kohl Testifies for ANLA at House Farm Bill Hearing

On July 21, third generation nurseryman Bernie Kohl, Jr., testified on behalf of the American Nursery & Landscape Association (ANLA) before the U.S. House of Representatives on 2008 Farm Bill programs pertinent to the nursery and greenhouse industry. Kohl, president of Angelica Nurseries, the largest production nursery in the state of Maryland, appeared before the House Agriculture Subcommittee on Horticulture and Organic Agriculture to discuss what is working, and what is not, as Congress moves closer to debating a new farm bill.

interstate movement of targeted plant genera.

Much of Kohl's testimony focused on new and strengthened programs to prevent and respond to plant pest threats. Foreign pests that have arrived in the U.S. as consequences of globalization are seriously harming the industry with production challenges, quarantines, and lost market access. Emerald ash borer, Asian longhorned beetle, and Phytophthora ramorum/sudden oak death are just a few examples of severe challenges causing production problems and market disruption for nurseries. Section 10201 of the 2008 Farm Bill provides important new funding for innovative strategies to identify and address such threats before they establish and affect U.S. producers.

Many state nursery and landscape associations have taken advantage of the Farm Bill's Specialty Crop Block Grant program, which provides funding to states for specialty crop promotion and related programs. Kohl highlighted several success stories including grants awarded to the Pennsylvania Landscape and Nursery Association (to improve the success of roadside plantings for runoff mitigation), and the North Carolina Green Industry Council (for consumer awareness and education on water-efficient landscape practices).

Kohl continued by offering constructive criticism for the Specialty Crop Research Initiative and disaster assistance programs. He also strongly cautioned Subcommittee members on the severe damage that will result if the federal Biomass Crop Assistance Program pays federal subsidies that divert tree bark now going for nursery and landscape uses to energy generation. Kohl's testimony ended with an admonition that while not a traditional farm bill issue, agricultural labor must be dealt with by Congress, or we will see a continued and expedited migration to foreign competitors of U.S. specialty crop production and associated on-farm and off-farm jobs.

Kohl also praised the National Clean Plant Network, which provides clean pathogen-tested fruit tree and grapevine material to the industry. The NCPN, again enabled by the 2008 Farm Bill, is setting the stage for harmonization of state certification programs for the

To read ANLA/Kohl's testimony, go to: <http://www.anla.org/index.cfm?area=&page=Content&categoryID=15>.

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Second Annual All-Horticulture Field Day to be held this Thursday, July 29, 2010

You are invited to the second annual All-Horticulture field day to be held at the Horticulture Research Station this Thursday, July 29, 2010. This opportunity will showcase research projects being conducted at the station in all areas of horticulture. Concurrent sessions will allow you to learn more about specific areas of horticulture and to network with others in the "growing" horticulture industry.

Special areas of interest will highlight vegetable production, apple, grape, and small fruit production and wine tasting, lawn and turf management, urban tree development, landscape design and installation, organic horticulture, and farm pond and surface water management.

Attending the All-Horticulture Field Day also counts toward the continuing education courses required to maintain your Iowa Certified Nursery Professional (ICNP) status.

Pre-registration is \$20.00 for full day attendance, on-site registration is \$25. Look for further details and registration information to be coming out soon via e-mail and on the All-Horticulture Field Day website at: <http://www.hort.iastate.edu/news/>

Additional information is also attached to the July INLA newsletter.

Topics to include

Airblast Spraying: Airblast sprayers offer an effective and economical means for applying fungicides, insecticides, growth regulators and foliar nutrients in orchards and vineyards. Compared to conventional sprayers, air blast systems allow growers to concentrate spray where less liquid is applied per acre, and at higher concentrations, less pesticide is needed to attain effective coverage. Dr. Paul Domoto will be explaining how this is accomplished, and an air blast sprayer will be demonstrated.

Aquaculture/Fisheries: Fish production and current research at the Aquatic Research Facility (ARF) with an emphasis on this year's Bluegill project.

Computer Applications in Horticulture: A hands-on session covering the latest in software development for the landscape industry. His presentation will include traditional computer applications as well as iPhone/iPod Touch/iPad applications.

Crabapples: Since 1985, the Iowa State University Department of Horticulture has participated in the National Crabapple Evaluation Program, and during this tour stop we will feature some of the best crabapples for the Iowa landscape. Join us as we traverse this impressive collection in search of that perfect crabapple.

EarthKind Rose Trial: EarthKind is an innovative new pro-

gram that addresses environmental landscape management. We will discuss the northern EarthKind rose trial planted at the Horticulture Research Farm as well as the newly established EarthKind Hydrangea trial. These two plantings are part of the nationwide trialing program of rose and hydrangea cultivars being evaluated for their suitability for inclusion in EarthKind landscapes.

High Tunnels: High tunnels extend the growing season and produce greater yields of high quality fruits and vegetables. See both fruits and vegetables growing in different sized high tunnels.

Orchard: Influence of rootstocks and crop load ratios on 'Gibson Golden Delicious' apple yield, fruit quality and return bloom. Rootstocks and crop-load management are important factors that influence the profitability of apple orchards. The rootstock can influence tree vigor, precocity, sustained productivity, fruit size, and tree tolerance to biotic and abiotic stresses. Crop load can affect fruit maturity, size and grade and return bloom in the subsequent year. Because modern high-density systems require careful selection of rootstocks and managing crop-loads to optimize yields and return on a relatively high investment, Dennis has undertaken this study to evaluate the performance of five dwarfing apple rootstocks subjected to under different cropping levels. Treatments are being monitored for differences in fruit growth rate, maturity, yield, fruit size and quality, and the ability to produce blossoms for next season's crop.

Forestry: Portable sawmill demonstration with an emphasis on saw safety followed by a demonstration of how maple syrup is made using a portable sugarhouse.

Student Organic Farm: The Student Organic Farm (SOF) demonstrates organic practices for vegetable and fruit production, including cover crops, trap crops, organic fertilization and mulches. New this year is a demonstration site for double-cropped organic vegetables in rotation with cover crops, and a description of integrating SOF crops into the ISU Dining Service

Turf Demonstrations: Will include information on lawn mower safety, maintenance, and selection. A walking tour to identify weeds, insects, diseases, and their control and a turf research plot tour.

Vineyard: Field day attendees will tour research vineyards that include wine grape cultivars, cropping and canopy management studies, and weed control and soil quality management projects. Iowa State University faculty and graduate students will provide tours and answer viticultural questions.

Wine Lab: The Midwest Grape and Wine Industry Institute will discuss wine grape harvest parameters and their importance to winemaking. The measurements of pH, Titratable Acidity, and Brix will be demonstrated.

Thank you to Members who have Renewed their Commitment to INLA!

Thank you to the following INLA members who have renewed their membership and paid 2011 dues, we appreciate your support of the Iowa Nursery and Landscape Association! INLA strives to promote certified Garden Center and Landscaping professionals.

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Wagner Nursery

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Dennis Christensen - Maryville, MO

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*** Indicates an INCP dues paying member.**

If you have not paid your 2011 dues yet, please consider doing so as soon as possible. Membership to the Iowa Nursery and Landscape Association puts you in an elite category of leaders who are on the cutting edge of the industry. Change is inevitable and the unity of an entire industry makes a difference on many issues. INLA prides itself on representing you on the many things impacting your business.

INLA members are the most progressive thinkers in the nursery and landscaping industry. INLA offers many opportunities for members to keep in touch with the newest and best in the industry. Recently INLA began a great partnership with Iowa State University's Shade Tree Short Course. The combination of highly regarded speakers and the newest products and equipment at the trade show makes this event a

"must-attend" member benefit. INLA is also proud to be a partner with the American Nursery and Landscape Association (ANLA) through the Lighthouse Program. As a partner INLA contributes \$10 per member in dues to the ANLA Lighthouse Program. The Lighthouse Program, representing close to 15,000 Green Industry professionals throughout the country, raised over \$145,000 to promote the industry's best interests on the federal level last year. This membership gives you access to lobbying power and information on a national level.

If you have any questions about membership with the Iowa Nursery and Landscape Association or need a new dues statement sent to you, please contact the INLA office at 515.262.8323 or 800.383.1682.

Voice your Opinion and Volunteer for an INLA Committee

Thank you to members who attended the INLA committees meeting on July 14, 2010 at Reiman Gardens in Ames, and thank you for your commitment to the Association.

If you were not able to attend the meeting, but are still interested in voicing your opinion and volunteering for a committee, INLA is always seeking energetic professionals to volunteer for the Association's committees. Working on an INLA committee is your chance to voice your opinion about the

direction of your Association on everything from certification to convention planning.

INLA is currently seeking volunteers for the following committees: Certification/ICNP, Events, and Membership Services.

A committee volunteer registration form is attached. Please call the INLA office at 515.262.8323 or 800.383.1682 with any questions you may have.