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# NEWS

## 2nd Annual INLA Service Day - A Success!

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This year's 2nd Annual INLA Service Day was undoubtedly a success!

On Wednesday, September 11, 2013 a group of volunteers gathered outside the INLA offices, in Des Moines, to take on the task of doing a complete re-haul of the landscaping surrounding our building.

They began early that morning; in fact some began tear out procedures the day previous, but most joined in early to get this moving on Wednesday. With many helpful hands from volunteering members the work went swiftly and the group completed their project by late

afternoon.

Since this was the second year for this project, we were a little more prepared in regards to documenting the process. INLA had AAI-Videographer, David Geiger, put together a package to show the before and after as well as to thank our volunteers and sponsors, which you can view here:  
[www.youtube.com/watch?v=AiNZ4zdwL-0&feature=c4overview&list=UUunIlphRrzBrJZC7ZTbx\\_lw](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AiNZ4zdwL-0&feature=c4overview&list=UUunIlphRrzBrJZC7ZTbx_lw)

Again a special thank you to all that participated in the service day.



## A Special Thank You to:

**Smith Fertilizer and Grain  
Quick Supply & Golden Valley Hardscapes  
Johnson's Nursery  
Midwest Groundcover  
Foster's Inc.  
Nate Lansing—Matthias Landscaping  
Ted Lare Garden Center**

**Kevin Fehr & the Iowa Lakes Community College Students  
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Tim Egli, Egli Landscaping  
Robert Adolph and Mary Beth Eckhart Midwest Groundcover**

# Foresters Get Emerald Ash Borer Training in Burlington

*By: Dar Danielson - Radio Iowa*

Foresters from the Iowa Department of Natural Resources recently spent a day scouting out trees infested with emerald ash borer in eastern Iowa. Des Moines County became the second county confirmed in July to have the small pest that invades and kills the trees after a homeowner in Burlington called to report a problem tree.

DNR Urban Forest coordinator Emma Hanigan says the field work took place during the DNR's annual statewide conference to prepare them as the bug spreads. "So that when they go back to their home districts, they can see some signs and symptoms and recognize that, so we have people out there scouting," Hanigan says.

DNR foresters found about 40-percent of the Burlington's ash trees have symptoms associated with the emerald ash borer. City forester, Casey Chadwick, says they are still figuring out how to deal with the invasive beetle.

"This is going to add three to four times the workload to the crew. The city as a whole is in a financial crunch, so

how they're actually going to deal with it —whether we treat, whether we remove, combination of the two — that's just all to be determined yet," Chadwick says. He estimates that 10 to 20 percent of Burlington's total tree canopy will be lost.

The bug was first discovered on an island in the Mississippi River in Allamakee County in 2010. In August, the borer was found in Fairfield in Jefferson County.

Officials say there is no real way to kill off the bugs once they infect a tree. Many cities are cutting down their ash trees as a preventative measure to keep the beetle from spreading.

Officials estimate Iowa has 52-million rural ash trees and another 3.1 million in urban areas. State experts say the borer is very slow moving on its own, but can be helped along by people moving firewood. They encourage you to help slow the spread of the bug by buying firewood at your campsite and not moving it around the state.

## Job Posting

### BRENTON ARBORETUM SEEKS DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION & OUTREACH

Would you like to work for an organization with a strong mission to bring joy to all through the beauty and knowledge of the natural world of trees? The Brenton Arboretum conveys the importance of woody plants as a place of quiet enjoyment, education, conservation, research and demonstration. We reach out to school children, whose eyes shine with joy at the sight of open spaces and leafy canopies; young couples who come to discover the perfect tree for their yard; to walkers, researchers and gardeners who travel the gravel road to discover the treasure among the cornfields — the delightful escape from the city.

You can find this and all job postings at: [iowanla.org/job-postings/](http://iowanla.org/job-postings/)

## INLA Job Board

The INLA has a new job board feature on the website.

This feature will be a great tool if you are in the market for a new job or if you are a company looking for talent! Both resumes and job postings are welcome.

Our hope is to create a more efficient way for our industry to interact, when it comes to employment and sustaining our level of professionals.

To access the job board on the website please go to: <http://iowanla.org/job-postings/>

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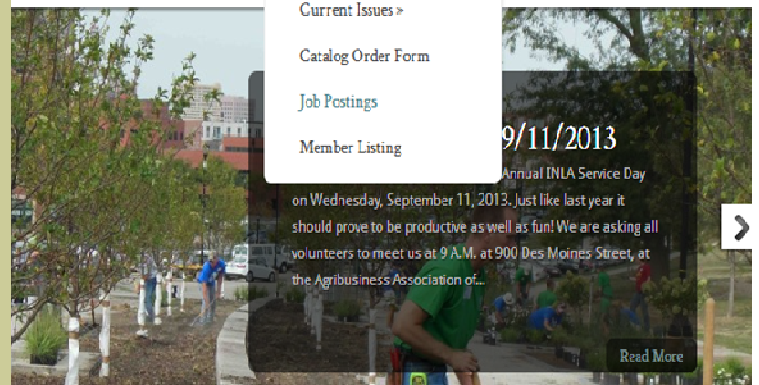
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**SAVE THE DATE!**

**58th Annual ISU - Shade Tree Short Course**  
**INLA Tradeshow**

**February 25-27, 2014**

Scheman Building  
ISU Campus  
Ames, Iowa



**Call to reserve your room at the  
Hilton Garden Inn today! Ask for the INLA  
room block.**

1325 Dickinson Ave Ames, IA 50014



**New Inspection Protocol Set to Begin at Four Ports on October 1<sup>st</sup>**

***By: Joe Buschoff - ANLA***

Beginning October 1, 2013 USDA-APHIS will institute a new inspection protocol for “plants for planting” imports at four plant inspection stations (Honolulu, HI – Houston, TX – Linden, NJ – San Juan, PR). This new protocol will include a randomization sampling tool that will automatically identify the units to be inspected based on the size of the shipment and number the of tax included. It will likely include the inspection of additional material, above the standard 2% often referenced in APHIS documentation. This more robust sampling strategy will include stepped-up evaluations of cuttings, tissue culture, bare root, and budwood.

The purpose of the new protocol is to identify the levels of

risk associated with importing pests of regulatory significance with specific plants from specific exporting countries. Over time, this should lead to the identification of risk categories for specific plant and exporting country combinations and allow inspectors to spend less time on low risk material and put more resources towards material deemed higher risk. This pilot program is expected to expand to other ports in the coming months.

ANLA will be working closely with USDA-APHIS as this protocol becomes implemented. If you encounter any delays or port rejections as a result of this new protocol please contact Joe Bischoff ([jbischoff@anla.org](mailto:jbischoff@anla.org)) immediately.

**After August: Path Forward for Immigration Uncertain**

***By: Craig Regelbrugge - ANLA***

Congress is back in Washington after a five week break, but with saber rattling over Syria, and fiscal battles closer to home, domestic issues like immigration reform are being pushed to the back burner. Still, supporters of reform appear to have had the upper hand during the recent recess, with literally hundreds of events and meetings in Congressional districts from border to border and coast to coast.

For ANLA, the last official recess event was graciously hosted by Hortica Insurance and Employee Benefits at their Edwardsville, IL office. With major coordination provided by Home Nursery Inc. staff, the event was attended by a wide swath of local plant and animal

agricultural producers, as well as equipment and service providers. The roundtable offered Rep. John Shimkus (R-IL) a chance to hear from diverse voices representing a major element of his conservative Congressional district's economy.

Though Shimkus lamented the difficulty of the issue in his district, he expressed cautious optimism that the House will begin to act on the issue of immigration reform sometime this fall.

To view this entire story please go to:  
[anla.theknowledgecenter.com/ANLAToday/index.cfm?view=detail&colid=124&cid=321&mid=5733](http://anla.theknowledgecenter.com/ANLAToday/index.cfm?view=detail&colid=124&cid=321&mid=5733)

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## 2014 INLA Dues

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Dear INLA Members,

We are began a new dues year as of July 1, and as you may have noticed the 2014 dues invoices have been sent out via USPS.

You may review/edit the forms sent to you regarding your membership and send back with payment or simply call the office, confirm your information and use credit card to complete your renewal process.

We look forward to a promising and exciting new year for our members and hope you will join us.

If you have questions please contact Joan O'Brien at [joano@agribiz.org](mailto:joano@agribiz.org) or by calling the office at 515-262-8323.



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### Thank you to Members Who Have Renewed Their Commitment to INLA!

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**INLA strives to promote certified Garden Center and Landscaping professionals, so thank you to the following INLA members who have already renewed their membership and paid 2013—2014 dues!**

**We appreciate your support of the Iowa Nursery and Landscape Association!**

**If you have not yet renewed your membership please keep your eye out for the second round of dues invoices which will be sent shortly. The following renewals have been received through 9-16-13.**

*\* Indicates an ICNP dues paying member.*

Des Moines Seed and Nursery Co.  
Louise Herndon - Des Moines, IA

Ferguson's Garden Center, Inc.  
Chris/Renee Quance - Spirit Lake, IA

Guideone Insurance Co.  
Will Pirtle - West Des Moines, IA

Ingrid's Landscaping  
Ingrid Anderson Quint - Bruce, IA

Iowa State University  
Ann Marie VanDerZanden\*\* - Ames, IA

Ladehoff Lawn Care & Landscaping  
Brian Ladehoff - Conrad, IA

Lounsbury Landscaping Sand & Gravel  
Ben Lounsbury - West Des Moines, IA

Maifeld Landscaping LLC  
Tyler Maifeld\*\* - Sumner, IA

Miller Nursery  
James Poulson\*\* - Johnston, IA

MLS Landscapes & Design Inc.  
Mark & Dana Klein - Granville, IA

Myers Tree Farm, Inc.  
Chad Myers - Sperry, IA

North Central Turf  
Kurt Miller - Webster City, IA

Perennial Gardens by Linda Grieve  
Linda Grieve - Ankney, IA

Suburban Landscape Assn  
Monty Mitchell - Davenport, IA

Twixwood Nursery, LLC  
Jil Roberts - Berien Springs, MI

Williams Lawn Seed, Inc.  
Dennis Christnesen - Maryville, MO

Wood Duck Tree Farms  
Ron Eike - Panora, IA