

#### IOWA NURSERY & LANDSCAPE ASSOCIATION

# NEWS

# **INLA 2017 Trade Show: Another Success Story**

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Each year the lowa Nursery & Landscape Association Our reception and auction were very fun for all who out for our event this year! The trade show was in attend. The live auction was successful and lively. Ames, IA on February 21 - 23. Tuesday we held ICNP tests and ICNP education. The trade show preview The INLA board of directors want to thank your 2017 and reception was a great way to kick off the 3-day sponsors for helping support the association. We event.

At the INLA annual meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 22, John Hughes, Hughes Nursery & Landscaping LLC, was elected president and presented outgoing president Ryan Ritter of Ritter's Inc. with a plaque for his years of service as president. Ritter was the president from 2014 - 2017.



John Huges (Left) presents Ryan Ritter (Right) with plaque for his service on the INLA board of directors.

The INLA board made the shift to its new officers. See page 3 of the newsletter to see our changes. We also awarded Paul Saladin from Kirkwood Community College with the ICNP of the Year. See page 2 for more details on Saladin's award.

(INLA) and lowa Arborist Association (IAA) host a attended! Thank you to those who helped us raise trade show in conjunction with the lowa State money for our INLA scholarships. See page 2 for all University (ISU) annual Shade Tree Short Course our 2016 scholarship recipients. The reception was (STSC) in February. We are very pleased at the turn open to all attendees and there was no charge to

appreciate your dedication and continued interest.

# 2017 Sponsors THANK YOU!

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# 2017 INLA Tradeshow Wrap-up

## Congrats to the ICNP of the Year

Paul Saladin was awarded the 2017 ICNP of the year award by the INLA board of directors.

Paul began his academic career back at the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana. He originally wanted to study aeronautical engineering and then decided his passion was for PLANTS! He was a Forestry major undergrad. Many of his friends and family cautioned him that getting a degree in Forestry was a dead end for getting a job but he pressed on.

His first year out of college he enrolled and served for two years in the Peace Corps. His assignments was to work on a reforestation project in Guatemala. Paul trained local workers, so that when he left they could carry on the project. After the Peace Corps, he took a job with the U.S. Forest Service in Washington State on the Mt. Adams Ranger District. After a few years, he decided to return to graduate school in Forestry back at the University of Illinois. He focused primarily on tissue culture of trees.

Paul and his wife Lisa (of 32 years) have 3 grown children. He will retire from Kirkwood Community College this summer after having spent the last 20 years enlightening young minds to the science of Horticulture. Congrats Paul!

### 2016 Scholarship Recipients

# CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2016 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS!

Annually the Iowa Nursery & Landscape Association (INLA) provides scholarships to students who are pursuing majors in horticulture degrees at Iowa colleges. INLA is pleased to award the following four scholarships.

The association recognized these 4 students on Wednesday, February 22 in Ames, IA at the 2017 Scholarship Auction and hospitality hour. All the proceed of the auction each year go toward the INLA Horticulture Scholarships.

#### Haber Scholarship Winners:

Marcus Jansen, Iowa State University Brooke Jerie, Iowa State University

#### Community College Scholarship Winners

Gabriel Pope, Kirkwood Community College Dylan Schrock, Kirkwood Community College

#### 2017 Exhibitors

Alta Falls & Pond Supplies
Arborjet, Inc.

BFG Supply Co

Craftware Pottery and

Baskets

DeVroomen Garden Products

Ditch Witch Minnesota & lowa

**Great Plains Nursery** 

Greenleaf Nursery Company

Growth Products, Ltd.

Helena Chemical Co. / ArborSystem / Turf

Supply Co.

Iowa Arboretum

Iowa Arborist Association

Iowa Dept.of Natural Resources/Forestry

Itasca Greenhouse

Kankakee Nursery Co.

KAT Wholesale

Kings Material & Midland Concrete Products

Kleener Image

La Crosse Seed

Loma Vista Nursery

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Midwest Trading Horticultural Supplies, Inc.

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Northern Family Farms

Plantright, LLC

River City Turf

Rainbow Treecare Scientific Advancement

SiteOne Landscape

Supply

The Brenton Arboretum

Trees Forever

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## **2017 Board Members**



# President John Hughes

Hughes Nursery & Landscaping LLC

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College

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& ISU Liaison

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Iowa State University

#### Past President

& Ex-Officio

Ryan Ritter

Ritter's Inc.

# Thank You Renewing INLA Members!

Thank you to all renewing INLA members. Your support is appreciated. INLA strives to promote certified Garden Center and Landscaping professionals, so thank you to the following INLA members who have already renewed their membership.

The following renewals were received from 12-22 through 2-22. \*Indicates an ICNP dues paying member.

#### **Andrew Swanson**

Swanson Farms & Elevator Nevada, IA

#### Shawn Tabke

Southdale Nursery & Garden Sergeant Bluff, IA

#### Andy Kleen

Kleener Image Grimes, IA

#### Bret Wram\*

TNT Landscaping & Nursery Ankeny, IA

#### Kevin Gade\*

Shades of Green Carlisle, IA

## **ICNP Testing Results**

During our annual trade show the association offers ICNP testing on the first day. We would like to congratulate **Tina Krug** from Red Fern Landscape Design, LLC in Adel and **Breanna Lesher** from Stony Creek Landscapes, Inc. in Webster City for receiving their ICNP designation!

#### **Calendar of Events**

#### 2017

June 13, 2017 ICNP Exam
Iowa Arboretum, Madrid, IA