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## **Hughes Joins AmericanHort Board of Directors**

During the Cultivate'17 in AmericanHort will welcome three newly a fourth generation nurseryman, and his elected Board Members to the 13 member business grows nursery stock to support Board and install a new slate of officers. The their design/build landscape business. of Directors AmericanHort Board comprised of leaders from across the industry in various capacities including breadth of the horticulture industry and industry representative for the Kirkwood encompasses various experiences, skills, Community College Horticulture Advisory and backgrounds. Among the new board Committee, members is Tom Hughes, Hughes Nursery & Member for the Iowa State University Landscaping LLC from Cedar Rapids, IA. Tom Foundation. READ MORE.

July, is a long time INLA member. Tom Hughes is is Hughes has served his community and а Agriculture Committee

## **Impact of Temperature on Herbicide Activity**

#### By: Horticulture Research Institute

Weeds are arguably the most common pest problem in landscape management. Almost everyone can spot a weed, especially when it's chickweed sticking out like a sore thumb in a stand of dormant bermudagrass in March.

Landscape managers face the challenge of scheduling a variety of activities and, as a consequence, can struggle to stay ahead of spring weed control. Often the first herbicide application is timed in conjunction with mulch laying, creating a labor bottleneck. One strategy to overcome this is to

move herbicide applications from springtime to typically less-busy periods, such as late fall/early winter or late winter. This leads landscape managers to ask: do herbicides still work when applied in cool temperatures?

Research on just this subject was recently reported in the Journal of Environmental Horticulture (JEH), the publication of the Horticultural Research Institute. JEH is the only peer-reviewed, scientific journal dedicated to the green industry and serves as the outlet for research pertinent to our industry.

## **Iowa Updates Sensitive Crop Registry**

#### By: Wallaces Farmer

The Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship is encouraging lowans with pesticide sensitive crops and those who have apiaries or beehives to register their locations using the department's new sensitive-crop registry through FieldWatch Inc., a nonprofit created by Purdue University in collaboration with interested ag stakeholder groups.

The registry offers two online platforms providing state-of-the-art mapping features. DriftWatch is a registry site for use by producers of commercial crops sensitive to pesticides and includes online capacity to map boundaries around production fields. BeeCheck is a registry site for beekeepers that designates 1-mile radius boundaries around apiaries. Producers of sensitive crops who also have apiaries can enter their beehive locations using either the DriftWatch or BeeCheck registries.

## **ICNP of the Year Awarded to Paul Saladin**

Paul Saladin was awarded the 2017 ICNP of the year trained local workers, so that when he left they could award by the INLA board of directors. Paul began his carry on the project. After the Peace Corps, he took a academic career back at the University of Illinois at job with the U.S. Forest Service in Washington State Champaign-Urbana. He originally wanted to study on the Mt. Adams Ranger District. After a few years, aeronautical engineering and then decided his passion he decided to return to graduate school in Forestry was for PLANTS! He was a Forestry major undergrad. back at the University of Illinois. He focused primarily Many of his friends and family cautioned him that on tissue culture of trees. getting a degree in Forestry was a dead end for Paul and his wife Lisa (of 32 years) have 3 grown getting a job but he pressed on.

work on a reforestation project in Guatemala. Paul Horticulture.

children. He will retire from Kirkwood Community His first year out of college he enrolled and served for College this summer after having spent the last 20 two years in the Peace Corps. His assignments was to years enlightening young minds to the science of

### **Advancing Common Goals**

Landscape Association (ONLA) to help advance the overall association deliverables and goals. green industry and member companies.

be leading directives on resource optimization, staff said Fisher.

AmericanHort will work with the Ohio Nursery and coaching and development, and accomplishment of

AmericanHort has nearly a decade of experience Ken Fisher, AmericanHort President and CEO, will providing management services to other national and begin strategically working with the ONLA Board of state associations. "The success of state-based Directors and ONLA's Columbus-based staff as their organizations is critical to the overall health of the Executive Director. The focus will be on a strategic industry. I'm looking forward to working with the assessment of organizational priorities and resources ONLA staff and volunteer leadership to grow and to ensure maximum effectiveness, support, and improve the organization in ways that will allow ONLA results for ONLA member businesses. Fisher will also to better serve and support their members,"

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### **Thanks For Your Service!**

The INLA board of directors wasn't to say a big THANK YOU to Ryan Ritter, Ritter's Inc., West Burlington, IA for his years of service on the INLA board. Ryan now moves to Past President and is currently the INLA Ex-Officio. His industry experience, dedication, and professionalism elevated us all. **Thank You!** 



## **2017 Board Members**

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& Ex-Officio Ryan Ritter Ritter's Inc.

## **Hort Retail Survey**

University of Nebraska Horticulture student, Carter Waterhold, is running a survey to gauge the knowledge horticulture retail employees have when it comes to pollinator conservation and the type of plant recommendations they are giving customers for conservation. "My hopes the information we gain from this survey will better serve the industry and pollinator conservation practices." Waterhold - - Live survey here.

## June ICNP Exam Retest

The Iowa Certified Nursery Professional (ICNP) program includes a core certification training and two areas of specialization: 1) Garden Center and 2) Landscape, plus a plant identification section.

The ICNP exam is given in conjunction with the annual convention in February. Any individual who doesn't successfully complete the INLA ICNP exam, has the right to re-test the next time the exam is offered. INLA will be holding the next ICNP testing at the Iowa Arboretum in Madrid on June 13, 2017 at 9AM.

*Please see next page for registration information*. Call the INLA home office at 515-262-8323 or email joano@agribiz.org for questions.

### **Calendar of Events**

<u>2017</u>

June 13	ICNP Exam Iowa Arboretum, Madrid, IA
July 15-18	<u>Cultivate '17</u> Columbus, OH
Fall	Heartland Native Plant Summit
	WLNA Bus Trip
Sept 11	INLA Day of Service, TBD



# Iowa Certified Nursery Professional Testing Registration Form

## June13, 2017 - Iowa Arboretum 9AM—12PM

	Company:						
	City/State/Zip:						
	Email:						
ICNP Exam Fees: (Please Select One)							
Member Price	Non-Member Price						
□ \$75.00	□ \$150.00						
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### **Re-Examination**

Any individual who does not successfully complete the INLA Certified Nursery Professional examination shall have the right to take a re-examination the next time the exam is offered. If an individual passes either the plant identification or written portion of the exam, that passing score is good for one year. This means that for re-examination, you only need to take the portion you did not pass.

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