

HLA HAPPENINGS

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PURDUE HORT CLUB HELD HOLIDAY PARTY



The **Purdue Hort Club** gathered this week for their holiday party at Dr. Dana's home for the first time since 2019, COVID having prevented such gatherings over the intervening years. The Dr. Leslie Hafen Memorial Scholarship Award for the Outstanding Senior Hort Club Member was presented to Megan Rach. Club members enjoyed dinner and socializing, followed by a lively White Elephant "gift" exchange, which included numerous "steals" of future treasures! Sadly, the "Pine Cone Santa", a Hort Club traveling gag gift for many years (pre-COVID), did not make an appearance. Should any past club members have information about the whereabouts of "P C Santa", please share that with Dr. Dana at dana@purdue.edu.



HLA IN THE MEDIA

JULES JANICK HORTICULTURE GARDEN FEATURED IN THE PURDUE EXPONENT

The Purdue Exponent wrote a nice article about the Jules Janick Horticulture Garden this week. The article can be read online at: [A little haven: Hort garden provides education and relaxation.](#)

CARY MITCHELL'S NASA EXPERIMENT CO-COLLABORATION ROCKETED INTO SPACE

NASA's Veg-05 experiment, in which Dr. Cary Mitchell is a co-collaborator, has sent the first tomato seeds to be grown in the Space Station last week: [Tomatoes will be grown for the first time for harvest in space.](#)

CARY MITCHELL'S RESEARCH CO-COLLABORATION FEATURED IN URBAN AG NEWS

Another research project of Dr. Cary Mitchell was featured in Urban Ag News this week: [How Is OptimIA Helping Vertical Farms Grow More Efficiently And Economically?](#)

WEED SCIENCE RESEARCH PUBLISHED



Jeanine Arana, Stephen Meyers, Bill Johnson (BTNY), and Wenjing Guan published a new article, now available "ahead-of-print" in WeedTechnology:

Dose-response of plasticulture summer squash and triploid watermelon to fomesafen applied pre-transplanting. Jeanine Arana, Stephen L. Meyers, William G. Johnson, and Wenjing Guan. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1017/wet.2022.86>

LINDA PROKOPY AND AARON THOMPSON TO PRESENT AT "IMAGINING A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE" EVENT

IMAGINING A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE
#DIVERSECORNBELT: VISIONING WHAT CAN COME NEXT
THURSDAY 12/8 11:30-12:45
241 PFENDLER HALL (DEAN'S AUDITORIUM)

In this event for the Imagining a Sustainable Future initiative, researchers from the #DiverseCornBelt (DCB) Project will discuss how their vision for a more sustainable future drives their work. #DCB explores how to enhance rural resilience through diversification in the Midwest. Speakers will discuss how #DCB is generating evidence-based visions and frameworks for a more diversified agricultural system that enables a more economically, environmentally, and socially sustainable system for Midwestern farms, landscapes, and markets. This will be a starting point for discussing the theme of this series of events, how we consider and imagine sustainability across disciplines and spaces. All are welcome.

Refreshments provided.

Linda Prokopy, Associate Professor and Professor, Horticulture and Landscape Architecture, ISF, DCB project.
Aaron Thompson, Associate Professor, ISF, DCB project, Center for Community & Economic Development, ISF, DCB project.

Register at: <https://tinyurl.com/ISF-DCB>

Drs. Linda Prokopy and Aaron Thompson will present "#DiverseCornBelt: Visioning What Can Come Next" Thursday, December 8, 11:30-12:45 at 241 Pfenfder Hall (Dean's Auditorium) as part of the "Imagining A Sustainable Future" initiative.

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LORI HOAGLAND DELIVERED INVITED PRESENTATION

HLA Prof. Lori Hoagland traveled to Oregon State University to give an invited presentation at a Symposium focusing on Microbiome-mediated genetic resistance to biotic and abiotic plant stresses. The title of her presentation was 'Genetic variability in induced systemic resistance in tomato: exploring mechanisms and opportunities for integration into breeding programs.'

2023 IHC POSTER SESSION



The 2023 Indiana Horticultural Conference & Expo (IHC) will be January 23-24 at the Beck Center in West Lafayette, IN.

Anyone interested in presenting specialty crop research or extension is welcome to present a poster, which will be on display for the duration of the conference.

Requirements for all posters:

- Content must be relevant to the specialty crop industry.
- Dimensions should be no greater than 42" x 42"
- An easel, foam board, and push tacks will be provided.
- Presenters are responsible for placing and removing their poster.
- Posters are not intended to be used for commercial marketing purposes.
- Presenters should be available during the afternoon break on January 23 from 3 to 3:30 PM to discuss their posters.

Please submit your name, poster title, and abstract (not to exceed 400 words) to INHortConference@purdue.edu by December 19, 2022. Please include with your submission if you give permission to display your poster on the IHC website. Space is limited to 30 posters.

For more information about the conference visit our webpage at <http://www.indianahortconference.org>.

WOMEN OF THE GREEN INDUSTRY WILL HOST NIKKI HENDRICKSON, ADVANCED TURF SOLUTIONS

The Women of the Green Industry is hosting Nikki Hendrickson, Advanced Turf Solutions, who is speaking on becoming involved in industry organizations and the importance of leadership on Tuesday December 6th at 12:00 pm (Eastern). The last recording and Zoom link for the 6th can be found at: <https://www.purduelandscapereport.org/article/join-women-of-the-green-industry/>

HLA BOWLING TEAM THIS WEEK

Our team **Split Happens** played against Bowling Problem Monday afternoon at Mike Aulby's Arrowhead Bowl for Week 14 of the Purdue Staff and Students league. We won 2 out of 8 points, placing our team in 7th.

In the Men's Category, **Chris Adair** placed 5th with scratch game scoring a 194, placed 8th with scratch series scoring a 491, placed 7th with handicap game scoring a 263, and placed 9th with handicap series scoring a 698.

In the Women's Category, **Alexandra Jewell** placed 3rd with scratch game scoring a 179 and with scratch series scoring a 494.

SAVE THE DATE: INDIANA HORT CONFERENCE 2023



Newsletters

- Facts for Fancy Fruits: <https://fff.hort.purdue.edu/>
- Vegetable Crops Hotline: <https://vegcropshotline.org/>
- Purdue Landscape Report: <https://www.purduelandscape.com/>
- Greenhouse and Indoor Production of Speciality Crops: <https://mdc.itap.purdue.edu/newsearch.asp?subCatID=425%20&CatID=10>

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