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#### JOSH WIDHALM NAMED A 2023 UNIVERSITY FACULTY SCHOLAR



Josh Widhalm has been named a 2023 University Faculty Scholar! This program is designed to recognize outstanding faculty members across the university who are on an accelerated path for academic distinction. This is a very well-deserved honor and recognition for Josh's excellent scholarship!

### DR. CARY MITCHELL AND FATEMEH SHEIBANI'S RESEARCH FEATURED IN PURDUE TODAY



Fatemeh Sheibani, a PhD candidate in Horticulture and Landscape Architecture, examines lettuce plants in a controlled environment chamber using LED lighting. Sheibani's research focuses on finding the best strategy for using LEDs in vertical farming that will maximize crop yield and decrease production costs associated with lighting. (Purdue Agricultural Communications/Jessica Kerkhoff)

Purdue Today featured **Cary Mitchell** and **Fatemeh Sheibani's** novel <u>research on LED lighting in vertical farming</u> on February 21. Their research designed two simple strategies that would increase yield while reducing costs in vertical farming, the fastest growing sector in controlled environment agriculture. Other media outlets picked up the story, including <u>Indiana Public Media</u>.

### PURDUE LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE CAREER FAIR

The Purdue Landscape Architecture program career fair was a resounding success. Hosted from the Beck Agricultural Center on February 10, 46 design firms from around the country enrolled to participate and over 200 student interviews were held for traditional summer internships, year-long co-op internships, and postgraduation employment opportunities. Firms represented

a wide range of design practice and markets; from designbuild, to engineering firms, to public parks divisions, to traditional design firms. Congratulations to the landscape architecture sophomores, juniors, and 5th year seniors for their energy and efforts!









### KATHRYN ORVIS SPOKE AT 2023 JUNIOR MASTER GARDENER NATIONAL LEADER TRAINING

Kathryn Orvis was a speaker this week for the 2023 Junior Master Gardener (JMG) National Leader Training – Spotlight on Indiana JMG programs.

# ASHLEY ADAIR CO-HOSTED INDIANA ORGANIC GRAIN FARMER MEETING



Ashley Adair and White County ANR Educator Andrew Westfall hosted the Indiana Organic Grain Farmer Meeting on 2/22 at the Beck Center. The event drew 60 participants from across the eastern corn belt in its first in-person meeting since 2020. We look forward to growing this event in 2024!

### HLA AT THE MIDWEST MINT GROWERS CONFERENCE

The Midwest Mint Growers Conference was held on February 23 and 24 at Fair Oaks Farms, Fair Oaks, IN. The annual meeting is organized by Meredith Cobb (Ag Research) and Petrus Langenhoven (HLA) in partnership with the Indiana Mint Market Development and Research Council (IMMDC). Speakers from HLA include Linda Prokopy and Stephen Meyers. Elizabeth Long from the Department of Entomology is also speaking at the event.

#### HLA BOWLING TEAM THIS WEEK

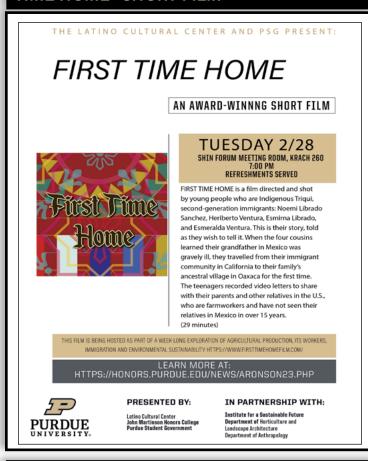
Our team **Split Happens** played against **Eamus Catuli** Monday afternoon at Mike Aulby's Arrowhead Bowl for Week 23 of the Purdue Staff and Students league. We won all 8 points for the second week in a row, which keeps our team in 2nd place!

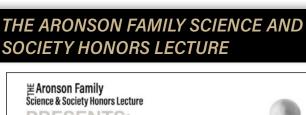
In the Women's Category, **Alexandra Jewell** placed 3rd scratch game scoring a 199 and scratch series scoring a 529.

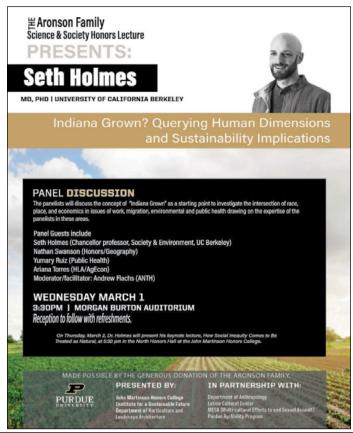
**Ashley Adair** placed 2nd with handicap series scoring a 750.

In the Men's Category, **Chris Adair** placed 2nd with scratch game scoring a 209 and with scratch series scoring a 564, tied for 2nd with handicap game scoring a 271, and placed 1st with handicap series scoring a 750.

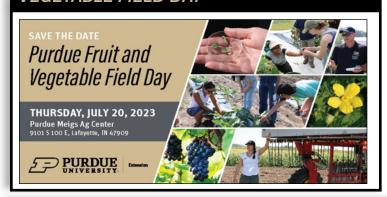
### HLA CO-SPONSORING VIEWING OF "FIRST TIME HOME" SHORT FILM



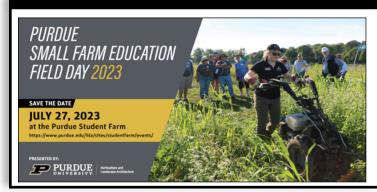




# SAVE THE DATE: PURDUE FRUIT AND VEGETABLE FIELD DAY



# SAVE THE DATE: PURDUE SMALL FARM EDUCATION FIELD DAY 2023



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