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Jules Janick Horticulture Garden Transforms into a Winter Wonderland of Evergreens and Mini Lights



Experience the enchanting transformation of the **Jules Janick Horticulture Garden** into a magical winter wonderland adorned with freshly planted evergreen trees and wreaths illuminated by charming mini lights. The display will continue to sparkle until February, inviting you to embark on a delightful exploration of the garden alongside your friends and family.

Dr. Kathryn Orvis and Jeanine Arana Win PUCESA Awards



Congratulations to **Kathryn Orvis** for winning the prestigious Purdue University Cooperative Extension Specialists Association (PUCESA) Career Award at this year's Extension Professional Development Conference!



Congratulations to **Jeanine Arana** for winning PUCESA's Outstanding Student Award!

Well done, **HLA Extension Team!**

Meyers Receives Young Scientist Award from the North Central Weed Science Society



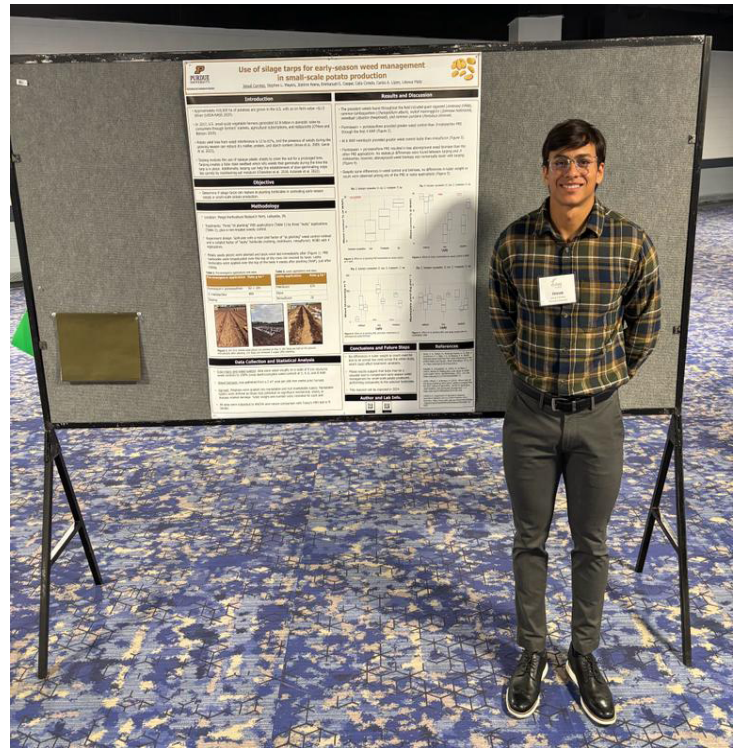
On December 13, 2023, **Stephen Meyers** accepted the Young Scientist award at the 78th Annual Meeting of the North Central Weed Science Society in Minneapolis, MN.

Horticulture Crops Weed Science Lab Members Deliver Award-Winning Presentations



Members of the **Horticulture Crops Weed Science Lab** attended the 78th Annual Meeting of the North Central Weed Science Society on

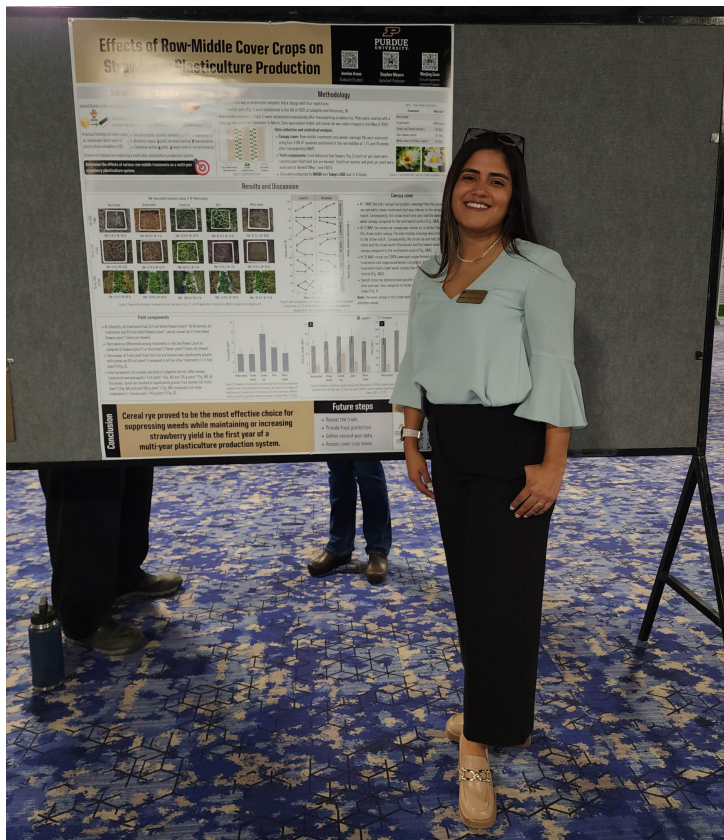
December 11-14, 2023 in Minneapolis, MN and delivered a total of five presentations:



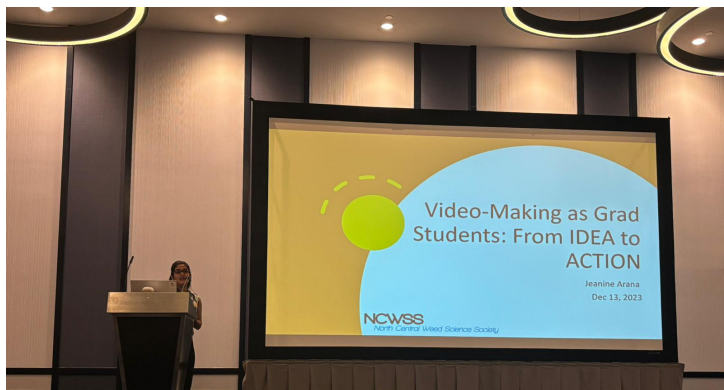
Use of Silage Tarps for Early-Season Weed Management in Small-Scale Potato Production (poster), presented by **Josue Cerritos**.



Response of Dormant Peppermint (*Mentha x piperita*) to Tiafenacil (poster), presented by **Carlos Lopez**.



Effects of Row-Middle Cover Crops on Strawberry Plasticulture Production (poster), presented by **Jeanine Arana**.



Video-Making as Grad Students: from Idea to Action (symposium presentation), presented by **Jeanine Arana**.



Effect of In-Row Spacing on Weed Suppression and Yield of 'Covington' and 'Monaco' Sweetpotato (*Ipomoea batatas* L.) (paper presentation),

presented by **Emmanuel Cooper**.

Jeanine Arana and **Josue Cerritos** placed first in their respective graduate student poster contest sections and **Emmanuel Cooper** placed first in his MS paper presentation section.

Petrus Langenhoven and Collaborators Receive Grant

Editor's Note: This story had missing text in last week's HLA Happenings. Below is the complete text of the story. HLA Happenings regrets this error.

Tian Li (Mechanical Engineering), Lisa Mauer (Food Science), and **Petrus Langenhoven (HLA)** received an Ag-Eng – Strengthening Interdisciplinary Collaboration between the Colleges of Agriculture and Engineering grant. The project titled *Self-Cooling Water Harvesting Cellulose Mulch for Sustainable Agriculture* will focus on evaluating an innovative cellulose mulch developed by Dr Li's [ReNewed](#) lab, in a vegetable production system. The field research will be conducted at the [Purdue Student Farm](#).

Horticulture Weed Science Lab Awarded NCR-SARE Grant

On December 14 the North Central Region Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education program announced its list of 2023 Research and Education Awards ([NCR-SARE's 2023 Research and Education Awards – SARE North Central](#)).

A project entitled "Exploring Underutilized Weed Management Methods on Indiana Small Farms Through On-Farm Research, Community Learning, and Farmer-to-Farmer Education" was awarded \$249,669. The project is lead by **Stephen Meyers** with Co-PIs **Petrus Langenhoven**, **Steven Hallett**, **Chris Adair**, and Nathan Shoaf.

The three-year-long project will explore reduced-tillage, non-herbicide, and non-plasticulture weed management methods to gain greater awareness and adoption of these practices among small farm operators in Indiana and the Midwest. Through on-farm and grower collaborator research and outreach, we hope to learn alongside Indiana small farmers.

Diverse Corn Belt Team Hosted Illinois Event



The **Diverse Corn Belt Team** (**Linda Prokopy**, **Aaron Thompson**,

Ishraq Awashra, and **Emily Usher**) hosted a Reimagining Agricultural Diversity (RAD) team in Illinois this week. Around 35 participants attended and had great discussion about priorities and visions for the future of Midwestern agriculture as well as opportunities and barriers for increasing diversification on the landscape. It was wonderful to see so much energy around diversification!

Dr. Ariana Torres Presented Research at New England High Tunnel Conference



Ariana Torres presented research conducted with her MS student **Jean Zavala** on Economics of Biocontrols at the New England High Tunnel Conference.

Dr. Ariana Torres Presented Webinar

Ariana Torres gave a webinar at the IFAMA Young Board on the Economics of Social Media.

HLA Bowling Team

Week 16 Date 12/11/23

1-Good Thyme Gang				Week 16 Lane 26			
Avg	Name	HDCP	1	2	3	Total	
173	Alexandra Jewell	51	191	161	160	512	
124	Ashley Adair	95	138	135	160	433	
165	Chris Adair	58	202	172	222	596	
128	Robert Luecke	91	133	146	148	427	
114	Emily Usher	104					
96	Wil Brown	120					
Won <u>8</u>	Total		664	614	690	1968	
	Handicap	295	295	295	295	885	
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Our team **Good Thyme Gang** played against **Spin Doctors** Monday afternoon at Mike Aulby's Arrowhead Bowl for Week 16 of the Purdue Staff and Students league. We won all 8 points launching our team into 5th place.

Good Thyme Gang placed 1st in all four categories scoring a team scratch game of 690, team scratch series of 1968, team handicap game of 985, and team handicap series of 2853. Nice job everyone!

In the Women's category: **Alexandra Jewell** placed 2nd in scratch game scoring a 191 and placed 1st with scratch series scoring a 512.

Ashley Adair placed 3rd with handicap game scoring a 255 and placed 3rd with handicap series scoring a 718.

In the Men's category: **Chris Adair** placed 3rd with scratch game scoring a 222, placed 1st with scratch series scoring a 596, placed 3rd with handicap game scoring a 280, and placed 1st with handicap series scoring a 770.

Come out and bowl with us!

We bowl 3 games on Monday nights at 6:30pm. All Purdue faculty, staff, students, and retirees are welcome. If you would like to bowl with us for a session during the season, please email **Alexandra Jewell** at jewell4@purdue.edu.

Indiana Hort Conference and Expo



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CONFERENCE
& EXPO

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January 22-23, 2024

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Registration is now open: <https://indianahortconference.org/>

Purdue Small Farm Education Field Day



SAVE THE DATE

PURDUE SMALL FARM
EDUCATION FIELD DAY

JULY 25, 2024
at the Purdue Student Farm
<https://www.purdue.edu/hla/sites/studentfarm/events/>

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Purdue Landscape Report: <https://www.purduelandscapereport.org>

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