



AREA President
Dr. Laura Jull

New Faces on the AREA Executive Board

During the AREA Annual Business Meeting and Luncheon on Wednesday Aug. 1, 2007 in Honolulu, Hawaii, all four positions for the AREA Executive Board were filled.

Dr. Laura Jull, Associate Professor and Woody Ornamental Extension Specialist, from the University of Wisconsin-Madison was elected as President. Dr. Christina Wells, Associate Professor of Horticulture at Clemson University was voted in as President-Elect. Dr. Zhu Ning, Professor in Urban Forestry at Southern University, Baton Rouge, LA, was elected the new Vice President, and Dr. Dan Struve, a professor in the Department of Horticulture and Crop Science at The Ohio State University, returns as Secretary/Treasurer.

Past ISA President, Dr. Gary Watson, Senior Research Scientist at Morton Arboretum will serve as the AREA liaison to the ISA Board of Directors.

Congratulations to all who were elected!



AREA President-Elect
Dr. Christina Wells



AREA Vice President
Dr. Zhu Ning



AREA Sec./Treasurer
Dan Struve

AREA Executive Committee

President	Laura Jull
President-Elect	Christina Wells
Vice President	Zhu Ning
Secretary/Treasurer	Dan Struve

Announcements

2007 AREA ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

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Arboriculture & Urban Forestry (AUF) Online Submission

Authors wishing to submit a manuscript to the *AUF* must use the new Web-based system at

<http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/auf>.

Please send questions to Peggy Currid at

pcurrid@isa-arbor.com.

AREA Members Increase Dues to \$25

AREA Members, in order to maintain existing services and support future growth, have approved a \$15 dues increase. The proposal to increase the dues was voted on at the AREA Annual Business Meeting and Luncheon held this year in Honolulu, Hawaii. AREA dues will now be \$25.

The revenue generated from the increase of dues will go toward administrative services, graduate student travel awards for oral and poster competitions and presentations, and to partially subsidize AREA meeting cost.

ISA Leadership Workshop to be Held at Allerton Park

Many professional affiliation executives and chapter executives will join ISA for two and a half days of learning, networking, problem solving, and sometimes old fashion fun at the 2007 Annual Leadership Workshop.

The focus of the workshop is "Leading the ISA Experience." From staff to volunteers, from members to the general public, how can we make any experience with ISA at any level a great one?

Some speakers and topics will include:

Joe McLennan, McLennan Partners, Consultants — Running an effective office, Volunteer Management, and more.

Chris Dickey, Professional Registered Parliamentarian — Using Parliamentary Procedures.

Steve Welland, Parkland College — "Seven Seas" team exercise.

Derek Vannice, True Colors Training Facilitator — Turning Up Your Weak Color.

ISA staff and several chapter executives will also speak on various topics.

Arborist News Wins Award of Excellence

Arborist News magazine recently won an Award of Excellence in the 2007 APEX Awards for Publication Excellence, in the category of print magazines/journals 32+ pages. The April 2006 issue had been submitted as the ISA entry.

Congratulations to all of the *Arborist News* writers and other contributors, artists, production staff, and editors!

Putting TREE Fund Dollars to Work

Thanks to the success of its 2007 fundraising efforts, the TREE Fund Board of Trustees recently approved the funding of six Hyland Johns research grants worth a total of \$125,000. The TREE Fund owes a debt of gratitude to its partners, Asplundh Tree Expert Co., Pacific Gas & Electric Co. and Stihl Inc., for their leadership in raising money for research and education.

The board also awarded \$3,000 in Robert Felix Memorial Scholarships to three worthy students. Look for photos and biographical information on each student, as well as research project descriptions, in the October issue of *Arborist News* and *Tree Care Industry Magazine*.

In a new program to encourage education and careers in arboriculture, the TREE Fund will provide \$3,000 in financial aid this fall to students attending the upcoming TCI Expo November 8–10 in Hartford, Connecticut. This program, administered by the TCIA, will offset travel costs enabling more students to experience the professional development and career opportunities that the expo offers.

ISA is on the Move

ISA has been successful in securing an option on an office building that could very well be its future headquarters. The building known as the Farm Credit Building is located at 2101 W. Park Court, Champaign, Illinois.

The board approved proceeding with a purchase, including engaging an architectural firm to layout departments and office space and investigating the LEEDS certification process and cost. Closing wouldn't take place until July 2008.

The FCS building was built in 1982 near the Interstate 72 and Interstate 57 exit on the west side of Champaign. The owner had the building built for the purpose of housing the administration, accounting, and loan production offices of Farm Credit Services.

The building is large enough to house ISA's expansion needs, consisting of two levels, 14,400 square feet on each, and is on 2.2 acres.

Request for Proposals

The Science and Research Committee is initiating a series of literature reviews.

This request for proposals (RFP) is to conduct a comprehensive literature review of all relevant research to Tree Root Systems in Urban Settings: Growth and Development.

To view the RFP, please [click here](#).

The deadline for all proposals is November 30. For more information or to discuss submissions, please contact Steve Bevil at

sbevil@isa-arbor.com.

Certification Board Sets Objectives

The ISA Certification Board, during its semi-annual meeting, developed a Strategic Plan and set the objectives for 2007-2008.

Key objectives were discussed and many are already in progress.

Objective 1: Expand global marketing efforts to address external customers.

Objective 2: Position Certification Board to investigate potential professional, technical, and practical specialties.

Objective 3: Work with a contractor to place exams online.

Objective 4: Develop materials and methods for training, management, and recruitment of proctors.

Call for Presentations and Posters!

The Morton Arboretum, in cooperation with the International Society of Arboriculture, presents the third Landscape Below Ground conference, October 7-8, 2008 in Lisle, Illinois.

The conference will provide a forum for scientists and practitioners in academia, industry and government throughout the world to present their latest research findings and management practices to demonstrate the state of our knowledge in all aspects of tree root development in urban soils. It is anticipated that this conference will foster closer cooperation between the various disciplines and geographic areas, and inform managers and policy makers about the focus of current research efforts.

The program committee is soliciting a call for presentations and posters for the conference. Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- Urban soils (physical properties, nutrient availability, biological activity)
- Root biology
- Limited root spaces
- Effect of nursery production practices on root systems
- Planting practices
- Construction damage/preservation
- Infrastructure conflicts and solutions
- Root structure and stability

Proposals will be evaluated based on overall quality, appropriateness and timeliness of topic, well-defined focus, and practical applications of material.

Proposals are due February 15, 2008. Authors will be notified by March 15, 2008.

All presenters will be required to submit a manuscript for the proceedings to be published by the International Society of Arboriculture. Manuscripts will be due on the first day of the conference.

To learn more about the conference or to submit an abstract, contact ISA Science and Research Manager Steve Bevil, at sbevil@isa-arbor.com.

ISA CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS!

ISA 's 84TH Annual Conference & Tradeshow
St. Louis, Missouri
July 26-30, 2008

The deadline for all proposals is Thursday, November 15, 2007.
Only proposals submitted [on-line](#) will be accepted!

To submit a proposal, [click here!](#)



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One of the primary initiatives of ISA's strategic plan is to promote and facilitate worldwide technology transfer. As part of this initiative, the Science and Research Committee (SRC) was formed.

One element of the SRC work plan is to initiate a series of literature reviews with the goal of identifying the frontiers of particular fields of arboriculture and disseminating this knowledge to the profession worldwide.

This request for proposals is for the performance of a comprehensive literature review of all relevant research to Tree Root Systems in Urban Settings: Growth and Development.

Request for proposal details are available at <http://www.isa-arbor.com/src/rfp/RFP-TreeRootSystems.pdf>

A second RFP: Effects of Management Techniques in Urban Settings will follow completion of the first literature review.

Deadline for all RFPs is November 30, 2007
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