



Heirloom Roses



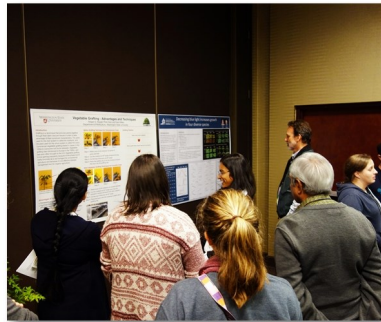
Minto Island Growers



Little Prince of Oregon Nursery









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## Message from the President



Melanie Miller-Gonzalez (left), IPPS-WR President for 2017-2018, and Emilie Speciale (right), IPPS-WR Immediate Past President (2016-2017) at Heirloom Roses.

What does IPPS mean to me?

It means having the unprecedented ability to access and experience all aspects, diversity, and sheer magnitude of Horticultural Science. It creates the rare opportunity of experiencing and learning Horticultural Science through the experiences of other IPPS members.

Miriam Webster defines Horticulture as: the science and art of growing fruits, vegetables, flowers or ornamental plants. Those of us who have dedicated our lives to the science know it is so much more! It is Physiology, Anatomy, Pathology, Soil Science, Entomology, Environmental Science, and the one place (in my opinion) that creation and evolution are allowed to exist together.

In IPPS a unique community of individuals is created. We all come together to share, experience, learn, and teach without judgement or competition. To all of our members I say “thank you”. And to all of you considering membership, I encourage you to join us for an experience that will last a lifetime.

*Melanie Miller-Gonzalez*

IPPS-Western Region President (MMiller@obcnw.com)

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## IPPS-Western Region Welcomes New Members at the 2017 Annual Meeting in Oregon



IPPS-Western Region was thrilled to have an enthusiastic group of new members attending the 2017 annual meeting in Wilsonville, Oregon. A big welcome to all these outstanding horticultural professionals and students!

In the photo from left to right are:

- Pinki Devi – Washington State University, Mt. Vernon, Washington
- Shannon Royals – University of Idaho, Moscow, Idaho
- Nate Foust-Meyer – Matsuda’s by Green Acres, Sacramento, California
- Jonn Karseboom – The Garden Corner, Tualatin, Oregon
- Christine Quist – Kwantlen Polytechnic University, Langley, British Columbia
- David Branca – Conley’s Manufacturing & Sales, Montclair, California
- Rakhi Chaturvedi – Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati, Assam, India
- Adrian Reimer – Reimer’s Nurseries, Chilliwack, British Columbia
- Gale Siemens – Proptek, Watsonville, California
- Deborah Caron – Portland, Oregon
- Jim Brackman – Weyerhaeuser, Olympia, Washington
- Sukhbir Sidhu – Van Belle Nursery, Abbotsford, British Columbia
- Pablo Aleman – Van Belle Nursery, Abbotsford, British Columbia



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## Bruce Briggs Memorial Scholarship Recipients Participate in the 2017 Annual Meeting



Left to right: Melanie Miller-Gonzalez (IPPS-WR President, 2017-2018), Emilie Speciale (IPPS-WR Past President, 2016-2017), Pinki Devi (Washington State University), Shannon Royals (University of Idaho), Christine Quist (Kwantlen Polytechnic University), Peter Swensen (Diablo Valley Community College), Hsuan Chen (Oregon State University), and Kristin Neill (Oregon State University). [Not pictured: Sean Markovic (Colorado State University)]

The seven recipients of the 2017 Bruce Briggs Memorial Scholarship program joined Western Region this past year for the annual meeting in Wilsonville, Oregon. IPPS-Western Region awards the Bruce Briggs Memorial Scholarship to deserving students in horticulture educational programs. The late Bruce Briggs was a proud and active member of the Western Region of IPPS. He enjoyed students and promoted IPPS worldwide.

This scholarship is given each year to college and/or university students who are studying plant propagation and demonstrate a strong interest in pursuing propagation as a career. The scholarship covers registration and accommodations at the annual meeting, and includes a one-year student membership in IPPS. Scholarship recipients participate in educational session and tours, and assist the Secretary-Treasurer and local program committee with various duties as needed during the annual meeting.

Scholarship applications for the 2018 meeting in Kona, Hawaii, are due by April 15, 2018. Information and an application is at: <http://wna.ipps.org/members/scholarships/bruce-briggs-memorial-scholarship>.

