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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Well, the only thing we are planting in April so far in Western Illinois is drainage tile. Although we thought Spring would never come, we have been able to get some of those late fall drainage calls completed. We're now moving on to some of those late winter/early

spring heavy rain issues that most across the United States are dealing with. On the farming side, we've been able to get most of our nitrogen applied and our cover crops have finally decided to germinate; about time, since they've been seeded since November!

Make safety a priority this Spring tiling and farming season. I know it is easy to drive distracted, feel rushed, cut corners, and turn a blind eye to simple logic while we are trying to stay ahead of the planters and Mother Nature. But, there is no

room for error when it comes to the safety of yourself, family and personnel. It is better to take that extra 5 minutes, extra hour or extra day, rather than to make a choice that haunts you for a lifetime.

We have several things going on this Spring and Summer, and we can utilize any and all volunteers during some of our construction expo's. Two of the largest will be the constructed wetland on Illinois Central College's campus in East Peoria scheduled for July 22-27 and the Farm Progress Show tile and bioreactor demo at Richland Community College in Decatur scheduled for August 27-29. We will have our annual Area 6 golf outing and, new for 2019, trap shoot coming up June 21. Don't forget to make plans to join us at our Summer Picnic to be held in Springfield on August 3rd.

Stay safe and happy planting no matter what your crop!

Respectfully,  
Grant Curtis

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## BOARD & MEMBERS' MEETING SCHEDULE

Unless changed by the Board during the year, the ILICA business meetings are scheduled as follows:

**May 18, 2019** - Regular Meeting of the Board:  
 Crowne Plaza, Springfield  
**Aug. 3, 2019** - Picnic & Members' Meeting:  
 Southwind Park, Springfield

*Exact location, committee meeting times & other details will be published in the ILICA News and sent to members via mail and/or email.*

### 2019 BOARD MEMBER MTG. ATTENDANCE

A = absent      P = present      C = cancelled meeting							
Area / Director	Jan	Mar	May	Aug	Sep	Nov	
<b>Pres:</b> Grant Curtis	P	P					
<b>VP:</b> Steve Anderson	P	P					
<b>1st VP:</b> Eric Layden	P	P					
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Area 2 - <b>Vacant</b>	-	-					
Area 3 - Wes Litwiller	P	P					
Area 3 - Joe Streitmatter	P	P					
Area 4 - David Kennedy	P	P					
Area 4 - John McCoy	P	A					
Area 5 - Earl Mast	-	P					
Area 6 - Jon Seevers	P	P					
Area 6 - Bill Dean	P	P					
Area 7 - <b>Vacant</b>	-	-					
Area 8 - Norm Kocher	A	A					
Area 8 - Tom Beyers	P	A					
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## EPA PUSHING WATER QUALITY TRADING TO ADDRESS NUTRIENTS



The Environmental Protection Agency is encouraging states to develop water quality trading programs to tackle nutrient pollution, which has become an increasingly visible issue in farm country.

In a memorandum to EPA regional administrators, Assistant Administrator for Water David Ross said the agency wants to move toward more market-based solutions to address excess nitrogen and phosphorus in the nation's waters. The memo follows up on a December letter to states from Ross and USDA Undersecretary for Farm Production and Conservation Bill Northey seeking input on water quality solutions, and a Memorandum of Understanding released last week between EPA and the Water Research Foundation on affordable technologies to recycle nutrients from livestock manure. (More information from EPA here.)

In the letter to states, Ross and Northey said "nutrient pollution continues to be widespread, particularly in the Mississippi River Basin."

In the past, Ross' memo noted EPA has urged states to develop numeric water quality criteria and Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for receiving waters. Those tools are still available, he said, but "EPA believes that market-based programs, including water quality trading, as well as incentive- and community-based programs can be used more effectively than they have to date to achieve water quality improvements."

In an interview with Agri-Pulse, Ross said state regulators and other interested parties outside the agency have told him they wanted EPA to update its 2003 water quality trading policy, which has not succeeded in bringing about widespread adoption of water quality trading programs.

"They want it be more flexible," Ross said. One example: The memo says "demanding too much precision in measuring or

predicting pollutant reductions from certain types of discharges, e.g., point source stormwater and nonpoint source runoff, can be an impediment to market-based programs."

Being forced to verify water quality improvements with absolute precision could kill such programs, he said. In the past, "the agency would require precision — almost molecule for molecule — in offsets."

Ross said modeling has improved considerably since the 2003 policy was released.

TMDLs can still be part of the solution, he added, but are not the "be all, end all."

"TMDLs are an amazing tool but they take too long to set up," said Ross, who represented the American Farm Bureau Federation when it sued EPA over the Chesapeake Bay TMDL.

On Wednesday he called that TMDL a "great program," but added a qualifier: "Can we replicate that? It took years and tens of millions of dollars to develop."

Ross said he'd like to see wetland mitigation bankers get into new areas, such as nutrient and sediment reduction, and more landscape-scale projects.

Don Parrish, senior regulatory relations director at the American Farm Bureau Federation, said AFBF welcomed the news. "This is another tool in the toolbox," such as farm bill programs like the Environmental Quality Incentives Program, Conservation Stewardship Program, and Conservation Reserve Program.

He added, however, "It's not a silver bullet, it's not a brass ring, it's a tool."

Mark Patrick McGuire, an environmental program manager at the Association of Clean Water Administrators, also had kind words for EPA's effort. "Many of our members have incorporated trading into their programs," he said, echoing Parrish's sentiment about the trading being another way to tackle nutrient pollution.

Asked why states and tribes might want to participate, McGuire said "it's going to be different for every state, every watershed; it's really going to depend on the jurisdiction."

McGuire also said, responding to the memo's flexible approach to water quality monitoring, "it is key for the states that nonpoint source best management practices be measurable."

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# ILICA Ladies Page

## Automate a Rain Barrel to Save Time Watering



Spend less time on yardwork by attaching a rain barrel to your gutters and connecting it with a gravity fed drip line that you can wind around your plants. This will save you time and water, with the plants getting the water they need with no waste.

## Let Your Flowers Self-Seed

Spend less time on yardwork by planting self-seeding plants. Letting plants flower and go to seed can provide seeds season after season while also supporting beneficial insects. Just let the seeds fall where they are, or toss pieces of the seed heads into the corners of your garden.



## Plant Your Pots for Effortless Plant Control

If you're concerned about plants taking over your garden, plant them right in their nursery pots! Add a little potting soil and fertilizer to the pot, dig the hole and place the pot right in the hole. Press down on the surrounding soil to stabilize the plant. Try this with plants like mint and oregano that can become a nuisance if you let them spread.

## Make Mowing Easier

Mowing can be quite a daunting task, and the more intricate your landscape, the more difficult it can be to get the job done quickly and efficiently. Spend less time on yardwork by grouping plantings into beds and islands and mulching them well. This will help you to avoid mowing and trimming around individual plant.

## Use a Tarp

Using a tarp is a great way to make your yardwork easier and less time consuming. It allows you to move lightweight bulky debris such as leaves, weeds and even branches. You can also use the tarp to hold soil when digging a hole in order to protect the grass — just drag the pile of dirt away when you're done digging.



## Have a Tricky Slope? Switch to a Groundcover

If your backyard has a steep slope where plants struggle to grow and mowing the grass is treacherous, try planting a durable groundcover that will look good, not need mowing and will help with erosion. Many groundcovers need very little water, and are practically maintenance-free.



## Use Mineral Oil and a Pot of Sand for Your Tools

Spend less time on yardwork by ensuring your tools are always clean and ready to go. Simply find a pot or small bucket, fill it with clean, dry sand and take several of your most-used landscaping tools and stick them into the sand. Keep them upright so they're easy to grab

when needed. After use, spray each tool with a quick coat of mineral oil and place back in the sand. The oil and sand will help clean your tools and keep them from going dull as fast.

## Recycle Grass Clippings

Rather than bagging and dumping grass clippings, try mulch mowing. Grass clippings left on the lawn can supply 25 percent of a lawn's total fertilizer needs.

## Use Self-Watering Containers

Plants in containers need frequent watering. Using self-watering containers is a no-hassle gardening technique that saves time and water. Designed to minimize water loss through seepage and evaporation, the water is preserved in the reservoir by the soil cover above it.

## Raise Vegetables in Bags

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## SATURATED BUFFER PARTNERSHIP

“To promote, perpetuate, and improve the proper use of our renewable natural resources for the benefit of all;” to further our mission, Illinois LICA has joined up with Illinois Farm Bureau, Natural Resources Conservation Service, and Southern Illinois University to develop the Saturated Buffer Partnership in 2019. Similar to the Edge of Field Partnership developed two years ago, the goal of this partnership is to install one or more saturated buffers per year across the state over a five year period. The value of the partnership combines physical conservation implementation with practice outreach, education, and research.

On the first day of spring, March 20, 2019, over 65 attendees came out to learn more about saturated buffers at the first field day event for the partnership on Clint Robinson’s farm located in Sullivan, IL. One behalf of the Association the day before, Greg Yoder and crew, Yoder Farm Drainage, installed two saturated buffer systems on roughly 30 acres of an existing subsurface drainage system. One saturated buffer practice was based upon the NRCS’s standard saturated buffer design, treating about one-third of the field. The second system, designed by researcher Jon Schoonover, SIU, to treat two-thirds of the field, was a custom saturated buffer system with three “stacked” lateral lines complete with backflow prevention and a lateral

shutoff. This unique water quality project provides side by side saturated buffer design comparison and research within one field before the systems outlet very near Lake Shelbyville. Research is partially funded by the Nutrient Research & Education Council (NREC), and Associate members Fratco and Agri Drain also supported the installation with donated and discounted materials.

Illinois LICA would like to thank all our partners and volunteers involved with this project. Additional summer demonstration projects that members will have the opportunity to support and gather training at include:



**June 19-20: Saturated Buffer Demo-**  
Longview, IL (ISAP ACDT event)

**July 22-27: Constructed Wetland Demo-**  
ICC Campus, East Peoria, IL (ISAP ACDT event)

**Aug. 27-29: Tile & Bioreactor Demo-**  
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# UFG/PRINS DONATE TO ILICA EDUCATION



ILICA President Grant Curtis (right) receives education donation from Prins Insurance (L to R: Jim Jansen, Bruce Mosier, Dave Van Essen, Amber Bosma) and United Fire Group (Pat Kane)

For the third year in a row, United Fire Group, in conjunction with Prins Insurance, generously donated funds towards ILICA’s education fund during their State LICA Insurance Program Annual Meeting on March 27-28, held at the UFG headquarters in Cedar Rapids, IA.

The annual meeting hosted by UFG and Prins Insurance is a great opportunity every year for LICA chapters involved in the State UFG Insurance Program to receive program updates regarding legal and claims trends, production history, procedural changes, risk management education opportunities, and more. Geared towards the core list of invites in attendance (state LICA chapter executive directors and leadership), the event not only highlights the insurance program’s growth and performance from the previous year, but also provides the opportunity for state chapters to engage UFG and Prins Insurance representatives, underwriters, managers, and officers about in-field program functionality and general program observations. These critical discussions have led to program adaptations and protocols which continue to strengthen this great benefit for our Association and our members.

For 2019, UFG and Prins donated \$10,470.55 to be utilized for ILICA education endeavors. To further the success of the State LICA Insurance Program, the funds are to be utilized in a manner in-line with risk management. ILICA is extremely thankful for these additional funds and looks forward to utilizing them in a way that creates new education opportunities for our Association. These funds go a long way our Association and our members. In 2018, ILICA used these funds to purchase personal protective equipment (PPE) and two-way radios that will be used during our in-field demonstrations. We purchased an automated external defibrillator (AED) and training unit, and we funded two separate OSHA 10 Hour &

Defensive Driving trainings with no registration cost to members. Thank you to UFG and Prins Insurance for their partnership, for the donation to our education fund and for hosting such a productive meeting every year!



MIDWEST STATE LICA INSURANCE PROGRAM

AN UPDATE FROM UFG

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TOTAL NUMBER OF MEMBERS INSURED IN THE PROGRAM

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Midwest states with members in the program

There are now 11 states with members in the Midwest state LICA insurance program with 1,232 members insured in the program (as of December 31, 2018).

Arkansas	25	Missouri	227
Illinois	111	Nebraska	88
Indiana	45	North Dakota	19
Iowa	316	South Dakota	49
Kansas	103	Wisconsin	133
Minnesota	116		

Midwest written premium by state

The Midwest state LICA insurance program has approximately \$26,536,859 of written premium in force (as of December 31, 2018).

Arkansas	\$ 494,910	Missouri	\$ 3,041,140
Illinois	\$ 2,462,289	Nebraska	\$ 1,950,402
Indiana	\$ 1,249,900	North Dakota	\$ 391,551
Iowa	\$ 6,263,737	South Dakota	\$ 938,919
Kansas	\$ 1,893,961	Wisconsin	\$ 4,545,600
Minnesota	\$ 3,304,450		

Midwest incurred losses (as of December 31, 2018)

Auto	\$ 4,456,365	Inland Marine	\$ 2,545,765
General Liability	\$ 1,633,854	Work Comp	\$ 3,055,689
Property	\$ 176,888		

Midwest incurred losses by type (as of December 31, 2018)

Auto	38%	Inland Marine	21%
General Liability	14%	Work Comp	26%
Property	1%		

- Auto
- General Liability
- Property
- Inland Marine
- Work Comp

## MEMBERSHIP ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES



### What kind of member are you?

Are you a contractor member of Illinois LICA? Do you use one or more of the cost-saving benefits available to you? Do you attend ILICA workshops, meetings, or social activities?

If you answered *yes* to more than one of these questions, you are already aware of the benefits of the *LICA Advantage*. If you find yourself only able to answer *yes* to the first question, then we have another question for you. *Why not?*

As any ILICA Board member will tell you regarding Associations and organizations, you get out of it what you put into it. Involvement in various organizations is much more rewarding and beneficial when you get involved. You can't learn a new technique or practice if you don't take time to attend a training workshop, demonstration, or video. You can't get product discounts and savings if you don't use your coupons. You can't be discouraged with the resources provided by an organization if you don't share your thoughts and recommendations on what they can improve to better meet your needs.

### How do I get involved?

It all boils down to getting involved to get the most bang for your buck. The best part about Illinois LICA is that it is so easy for members to get more involved. One of the easiest places to start is to attend one of the Association's many social events throughout the year. ILICA golf outings, picnics, trap shoots, trade shows, and tours are super entertaining and relaxing activities geared for fun and fellowship.

Another smart place to get involved is at one of the many ILICA workshops, trainings, and demonstrations. Continuing education is important for everyone throughout life, but the Association specifically hosts education events on topics pertinent to our industry: safety, drainage, excavation, trucking, business management. And these trainings are offered at comparable or cheaper pricing than what members AND their employees can find on their own. Sometimes they are even free to members and their employees! And ILICA field demonstrations are the ultimate member training tool. Where else can you get hands-on training on real equipment through

installing real conservation practices alongside state-level industry professionals at no cost to you?

Finally, sharing your voice is the epitome of getting involved. ILICA regularly requests member feedback at events, via email or survey, during meetings, and through one-on-one conversations in the field. The office is a phone call away to request education training needs, benefit availability and use assistance, or any other membership need. And the Association has over 24 various committees that any member can sit on to provide valuable input and recommendations to the Board and members on a number of areas of expertise to guide the Association to become an even more valuable resource to our members. Wanting to take your involvement a step further to the next level of engagement? Elections are held every year for Area Director positions throughout the state to comprise the Association's 20 member Board.

### Let's do this!

The time is now to get even better return on investment for your Illinois LICA membership. And during the summer of 2019, increasing your engagement within the Association couldn't get easier!

ILICA is slated for multiple field demonstrations this summer, and we need your help! On June 19-20 in conjunction with the Illinois Sustainable Ag Partnership (ISAP), we will be installing a saturated buffer and hosting a field day near Longview, IL. About a month later on July 22-27, ILICA will be building approximately an one acre constructed wetland for our partner, The Wetlands Initiative, on Illinois Central College's campus in East Peoria. Jumping to August 27-29, the Association will be installing about 35 acres of pattern tile drainage and a woodchip bioreactor during the Farm Progress Show in Decatur, IL. All of these scheduled field demonstrations get completed via a volunteer member workforce and serve as the perfect chance to meet new members, learn about new practices, and try out the latest and greatest pieces of equipment and technology. All you have to do to get involved is give the office a call and let us know which day you plan on being there; that's it!

Somewhat connected to the Association's field demonstrations, there are two main education opportunities available this summer to members with a focus on drainage and conservation drainage. Starting this year, the University of Illinois will be taking over the ILICA Drainage Workshop. Scheduled for August 6-8 on Richland Community College's campus in Decatur, U of I's summer drainage workshop will include many of the same training components of past ILICA drainage workshops, but will also include some new items like a drainage symposium where current industry research will be presented. The second training opportunity is ISAP's Advanced Conservation Drainage Training (see page 16). This workshop



# MEMBERSHIP ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES (CONT.)

series covers, in detail, practice information and design criteria for Drainage Water Management, Constructed Wetland, and Saturated Buffer practices over a three month period with classroom training and in-field demonstration education. Join like minded professionals through these ILICA sponsored activities simply by registering direct or calling the office for more info.

Upcoming social events scheduled include the Area 6 Golf Outing & Trap Shoot to be held on Friday, June 21 in the Mattoon area. This event is the perfect place to blow off some extra steam built up after a busy spring season in-field with multiple prize opportunities, a 50/50 raffle, a gun raffle, & more. On August 3rd, the summer picnic and members' meeting will be held in the Springfield area, kicking off with a tour of Springfield Plastics's expanded facilities. Registration coming soon!

Finally, ILICA wants your engagement and input on the future. On June 20th in Mattoon, ILICA will be going through its first session of strategic planning to develop a roadmap of goals for the Association over the next 3-5 years. As a member and the heart and soul of our Association, we need your input on any surveys and questionnaires you receive during this

process. We also welcome your presence at the strategic planning sessions to help voice your ideas on ways for the Association to better serve its members. Additionally, there are committee seats currently available on the following committees: By-Laws, Headquarters, Picnic, Publicity, Safety. Any member is eligible and encouraged to sit on committees that align with their areas of expertise/experience. Just call the office (309.446.3700) to inquire about the best committee fit for you.

To maximize your return on investment with any organization requires a certain level of engagement. While Illinois LICA is no different in that regard, it is unbelievably easy to get involved with the Association through any number of ways that interest you most: social activities, education events, meetings. And with literally over a dozen scheduled dates of activities on the Illinois LICA calendar, there is no better time than this summer to leverage your full *LICA Advantage*. We look forward to you seeing you!



*Pictured (clockwise from top): 2018 Bioreactor Field Demo; 2009 Flagger Certification; 2014 Convention; 2016 Picnic/ Backhoe Rodeo; 2017 Golf Outing*



# NATIONAL LICA WINTER CONVENTION RECAP

The 68th Annual National LICA Winter Convention held in Tucson, AZ provided a much needed reprieve from what shaped up to be a grueling winter for many parts of the US. Those in attendance were treated to temps in the mid 70s amidst the beautiful backdrop of Pusch Ridge and the Santa Catalina Mountains. And with 5 different pools to choose from LICA members had plenty of opportunity to relax in the sun at the quiet El Conquistador resort, if only even for 10 minutes between business sessions.

Convention tours were brimming with history, scenery, and local cuisine; education sessions were filled with members and topics like hiring and firing practices, asset management and liquidation, machine control value, and distracted driving. And Associates' Night included a "Construction Challenge" where four member teams competed against the clock and safety infringements to excavate, truck, and load as many pieces of candy as possible via highly functional remote control equipment.

Other items of interest to our ILICA members from Convention:

- The Residential Septic System Protection Plan has changed a little. You will notice one new partner name and the lack thereof for another, but all this really means is that contractor members will now be able to process payment for the plan in-field. Shifting point of sale transactions away from the website will likely increase sales. For the "extra" work, the member incentive has doubled to \$100/contract/year. However, if plan participation does not increase for 2019, this member (and customer) benefit is slated to terminate by the end of the year. So consider selling this piece of mind to your clients before they no longer have the opportunity to protect themselves from a potential unanticipated financial burden associated with homeownership.
- The National LICA dues increase of \$25 was passed, effective for 2020 membership. This raised National dues from \$125/year to \$150/year as of April 1, 2019, because of National's membership processing procedures. At this time, ILICA dues for new members and renewal members are now \$320/year.
- The National LICA Strategic Plan goals were developed and shared:

1. Promote LICA membership

2. Encourage appropriate contractor certification where applicable
3. Provide, promote, and support educational opportunities
4. Position Land Improvement Contractors of America as a professional trade association
5. Monitor and maintain working relationships with local, state, and government entities
6. Develop and expand membership benefits
7. Mentor and develop future LICA leaders

Don't forget the National Convention minutes/reports can be found in the last issue of National's *The LICA News* or by contacting National direct. They are full of great information and updates from our chapters nationwide. The National LICA Summer Convention this July will be held in Vancouver, WA. We hope to see you there!



Pictures (top to bottom): Resort views were breathtaking; Associates' night Construction Challenge was a blast testing operators' skills with highly functioning remote control equipment; ILICA members in attendance: Ryan Arch, Marie & Lee Bunting, Judy & Tom Beyers, Veronica & Jon Seevers, Steve Anderson (not pictured).



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\*The Drainage Water Management session will be held in conjunction with the **Summer Drainage Workshop** sponsored by University of Illinois Extension and the Illinois Land Improvement Contractors Association. Trainees will have the option of attending day one of the drainage workshop, which will cover topics related to drainage design, on **Tuesday, August 6th**.

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# Illinois Land Improvement Contractors Association

## Area 6 Golf Outing & Trap Shoot Friday, June 21, 2019



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#### Advanced Conservation Drainage Training

June 19-20, 2019

Classroom Training - TBD (near Champaign, IL)  
 Wednesday: 8 am - 5 pm  
 Field Day - Longview, IL  
 Thursday: 8 am - 12 pm

#### Board Strategic Planning

June 20, 2019

Stadium Grill  
 102 Dettro Dr, Mattoon, IL 61938  
 Board Members & Officers: 9 am - 4 pm

#### Area 6 Golf Outing & Trap Shoot

June 21, 2019

McKillip Farm - Lerna, IL  
 Meadowview Golf Course - Mattoon, IL  
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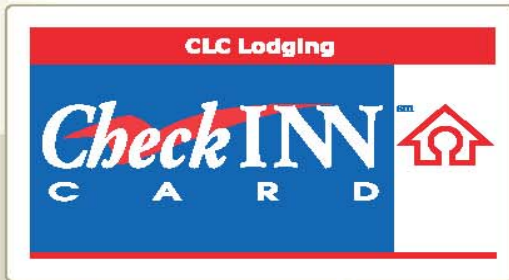
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