**CONFLUENCE Hired**

The Master Plan Committee along with other interested stakeholders came together over a four-month period and selected CONFLUENCE to provide master plan services for the Arboretum. The committee reviewed fourteen proposals and interviewed three companies before selecting CONFLUENCE.

CONFLUENCE was founded in Des Moines in 1998 and has since expanded throughout the Midwest, with additional offices in Cedar Rapids, Sioux Falls, Kansas City and Minneapolis. The company is comprised of landscape architects and planners focused on bringing together people and ideas to create meaningful and memorable places within specific environments.

Master planning is a collaborative process that consists of the evaluation of current facilities, programs and services along with the long-term needs for facilities, programs and services. The finished product pulls together all of the elements desired for the Arboretum into a comprehensive plan. CONFLUENCE will also provide graphics to illustrate future Arboretum improvements. The master plan will be utilized to excite and energize people about the Arboretum and be used as the road map for future development.

**Committee Members:** Dean Bowden, Don Draper, Donald Lewis, Linda Grieve, Doug Gustafson, Wayne Koos, Kathy Law, Joe McNally, Julie Stevens, and Mark Schneider.

**Stakeholders:** Bob Getchman, Ronna Hoppenworth, Dick Jordan, Kevin Lantz, Ann Malven, Pam Maurer, David Moody, Jan Moore, Dave Oliveira, and Kathy Strohl.

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**Meet Local Artist Art Ciccotti**

**October 4 • 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.**

Enjoy an afternoon with local glassblower Art Ciccotti and see his glass creations. Fresh pie and apple cider will be served throughout the afternoon.

Art Ciccotti grew up in Southern California, married, and moved to Ames, Iowa. He attended Iowa State University and graduated as an Art and Design major with an emphasis in Art Education. While attending Iowa State, he became part of the glassblowing club, “The Gaffers’ Guild.” There he learned the basics of glassblowing. After graduating in 1987, Art built his first studio. Over the years, he attended workshops around the U.S. to learn different techniques and hone his skills as a glassblower. As years passed, Art moved to Napier and rebuilt his studio, which is now known throughout the Midwest as Ciccotti Art Glass.

“The theme running through my work relates to the natural world—flowers, weather, animals. My intent is not to recreate these things exactly, but to make visual reference to them. These things have a natural beauty to which we can connect.”

Art will have glass creations to view and purchase.

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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**IRIS, PEONY AND UNIQUE PLANT SALE**

September 12 & 13
Saturday & Sunday
9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Find the best and brightest “stars” for your garden.

**PUMPKIN CARVING**

Thursday, October 15
5 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Carve a pumpkin for displaying at the Arboretum’s Halloween events. The Arboretum will provide dinner.

**AR “BOO” WEEN**

Saturday, October 17
1 p.m. – 3 p.m.

Put on your favorite costume and enjoy treats, hayrides, hay maze and games at this free family Halloween event.

*For young children.*

**AR “BOO” SCARE**

Saturday, October 17
6 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Walk the “Trail to No Return” & ride the “Hayride to the Valley of Darkness.” Bring a flashlight, wear a costume and enjoy Halloween treats.

*This event is free and for older children.*
If you’re a bird, and it’s June, and you have hungry mouths to feed, then you’re checking the Serviceberries every day for the first hints of ripened fruit. Since I’m a bird watcher, that’s one of the things that make the Serviceberry a favorite — it’s a bird magnet that brings new birds into your yard and close to your windows like no sunflower feeder can. Cedar waxwings, catbirds, rose-breasted grosbeaks and all of the woodpeckers relish the early fruit.

Serviceberry is also a very attractive early bloomer. It’s easy to notice the white blooms in the spring woods. It makes a very nice small tree or multi-branched large shrub if given space, and the common nursery variety “Autumn Brilliance” has great orange fall color. I like to plant large groupings of shrubs to provide food and shelter for the birds as part of a varied landscape, and Serviceberry is always at the center of my plan. I have an 18-year-old Serviceberry that is nearly 20 feet tall. The lower branches gradually die away allowing sunlight to support all manner of plantings below, and views of the smooth gray bark and arching branches.

Karl gardens with birds and other wildlife on the northern border of Ledges State Park, near Boone. “If the birds like it, and the deer and rabbits won’t eat it, it’s on my A-list. I’m still looking for that plant.”

THE CONNECTION

Mark Schneider – Executive Director

If the Arboretum does not engage people in learning at every age, then it is not fulfilling its obligation of ensuring strong identities and connections for the present and the future. Powerful words but an important part of our mission as an Arboretum. We have a responsibility to understand people and their interests, comprehend the natural world and create opportunities for people to experience and learn. We must understand how people learn at different ages and craft the learning experience around those age groups.

Our commitment is part of our foundation as we continue to create experiences that excite, engage and encourage people to learn about the natural environment.

Look deep into nature and you will understand everything better.
~ Albert Einstein

MY FAVORITE TREE | *Amelanchier arborea* | Serviceberry

Written by Karl Jungbluth

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Cayce Good

Change YOUR life and volunteer at the Arboretum.

Summer Intern
Chelsea Riordan

My name is Chelsea Riordan and I just graduated from Minnesota State University. I have received a degree in Recreation, Parks & Leisure Services with a double emphasis in Resource Management and Leisure Planning Management. The Iowa Arboretum has been the perfect experience for my internship this summer. I have taken the information I’ve learned in the classroom and applied it to hands-on learning with professionals in the field. The staff has been great to work with and they have all taught me many things that will help me with my future career. Since I am from Boone, this is a great way to give back to such a beautiful area and the community. I am very thankful to be part of the Iowa Arboretum this summer. I can’t wait to see what else is in store.

Chelsea Riordan
Minnesota State University
Recreation, Parks & Leisure Services

NEW BOARD MEMBERS

DR. JEFF ILES is rejoining the Board of Directors. Jeff is a Professor and Chair of the Department of Horticulture at Iowa State University. He has horticulture degrees from Michigan State University, Penn State University and Iowa State University and is known throughout Iowa and the Midwest for his specialized knowledge of woody trees and shrubs. In addition to his university administrative duties and teaching, Jeff still serves arborists, tree care professionals and the people of Iowa with timely and practical information on tree selection, care and the stresses that plague our trees. Jeff’s insightful training and extension teaching is always positive and delivered with enthusiasm and wit. He has previously served on the Board of Directors for the Bickelhaupt Arboretum (Clinton, IA) and the Brenton Arboretum (Dallas Center, IA).

We look forward to working with Jeff on the Board.

KEITH THORNTON joins the Iowa Arboretum Board of Directors after a varied and productive career in international consultation and management. Keith obtained a degree in agricultural science from King’s College, University of Durham before embarking on a professional career that took him to over 30 different countries around the world. Keith settled in Des Moines in 2000 where he has pursued his interest in horticulture through work with the Greater Des Moines Botanical Garden, Tree Des Moines, the Waterbury Neighborhood Association, the Garden Committee of Salisbury House, and guided tours to English gardens.

We look forward to learning from Keith’s experiences and interest in native flora and fauna.

VOLUNTEER CONNECTION
CAYCE GOOD:

My name is Cayce Good. I recently graduated from Ogden High School and I am volunteering at the Arboretum this summer. In high school I was involved in football, basketball, baseball and music throughout all four years. Next fall I will be attending Simpson College in Indianola, to play basketball and study political science. Volunteering works very well for me, because it allows me to set my own hours. This gives me the opportunity to work around the very busy baseball schedule I have in the summer. Working on the grounds of the Arboretum always provides a job to be done. Pulling weeds, laying down mulch and trimming bushes are the main tasks at hand. The best part about working at the Arboretum is how peaceful it is to be outside with all the plants and animals. You really start to appreciate the nature that’s around you when you are out there every day.

Fall Family Morning – the Mike Hike
Saturday, September 19 • 9 a.m. – 11 a.m. • Hughes Building
Come for a wonderful morning with our neighbor and extraordinary naturalist, Mike Havlik. He’s back with music, stories, books and a LIVE critter. What will it be? We’re guessing an owl. What do you think? Whatever it is, you will be up close and get all your curious questions answered. We wrap up the morning with a hike led by Mike followed by snacks. The Arboretum is so lucky to have Mike in our big backyard. He’s worked for many years with Des Moines Y Camp and is now a naturalist with Dallas County Conservation. If you have missed out on this annual event, JUMP IN NOW! It’s always awesome. Returning fans are always welcome because there’s something new to learn. Dress for the weather; we hope to be outside the full two hours.
Fee: $10 per family for members and $15 per family nonmembers.

Mushroom Log Workshop
Saturday, September 19 • 10 a.m. – noon • Cafferty Building
Have you ever wondered how to make a mushroom log or grow your own mushrooms at home? All supplies are provided and you take home your own log. Please bring a rubber mallet if you have one.
Fee: $15 for members and $20 for non-members.

Nature Drawing Series using Oil Pastels – Fall Flowers
Sunday, September 20 • 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. • Hughes Building
The Arboretum is an inspirational setting for this creative experience. Arboretum neighbor, Carla Boekelman, a retired art teacher, will be your gentle instructor in the use of oil pastels. Take a closer look at autumn flowers, foliage and fruits. Discover something about yourself. No prerequisites, no experience necessary. You can take one, two, or all three classes on the third Sunday in September, October, and November.
Open to adults and students in grade 5 and up. Please preregister so we’ll have enough supplies.
Fee: $10 for member and $15 for non-members.

Speaking for the Trees – Finding New Favorites
Saturday, September 26 • 9 a.m. – 11 a.m. • Hughes Building
Are you ready for fabulous fall color in Iowa’s glorious trees? Emma is. That’s Emma Hanigan, DNR Urban Forestry Coordinator. She will give a pictorial review of popular favorites and then direct our senses to new possibilities. Her talk will include an update on tree diseases like EAB (Emerald Ash Borer) and ALB (Asian Longhorned Beetle) in our state. She’ll explain why Iowans need to find new favorites for environmental sustainability and she has plenty to recommend. Our morning concludes with a walk around the Arboretum guided by Emma. Dress for the weather.
Fee: $10 for members and $15 for non-members.

Plants and Their Stories with Joe McNally
Saturday, October 10 • 9 a.m. – 11 a.m. • Hughes Building
On the grounds with Java Joe. Join Arboretum Plants Collection Manager for a personal tour and update on the core plant collections. Joe will also share his vision for additional horticultural developments at the Arboretum. Dress for the weather. We hope to spend most of the morning outdoors.
Fee: $10 per family for members and $15 per family for non-members.

Nature Drawing Class using Oil Pastels – Fall Fruits
Sunday, October 18 • 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. • Hughes Building
See description for Sunday September 20. Open to adults and students in grade 5 and up. Please preregister so we’ll have enough supplies.
Fee: $10 for members and $15 for non-members, PLUS one-time $5 materials fee. Participants will keep the oil pastels.

Three Sisters Gardening and Seasonal Cooking
Saturday, October 24 • 9 a.m. – 11 a.m. • Hughes Building
Lisa Burke from the USDA Plant Introduction Station is back this fall with more seed saver tips for home gardeners plus an insider look at mega-scale seed saving at the Department of Agriculture. Lisa will focus on her special interest: three sister gardens (beans, squash and corn) a Native American legacy. The morning concludes with local chefs demonstrating easy seasonal recipes incorporating beans, squash and corn. Taste a sample and take home the recipes.
Fee: $10 for members and $15 for non-members.

MORE FALL CLASSES
Bats and Birds in Transition to Winter
Saturday, November 7 • 9 a.m. – 11 a.m.

Fall Florals with Sandy Gossman
Saturday, November 14 • 9 a.m. – 11 a.m.

Nature Drawing Class using Oil Pastels – Fall Harvest
Sunday, November 15 • 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.
(See September 20 for description)

Natural Advent Calendar: Counting the days till…
Sunday, November 22 • 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.

Evergreen Wreaths
Saturday, December 5 • 9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

For more information or to register call 515.795.3216 or online@ www.iowaarboretum.org

Family Friendly Classes — Children will be able to participate and appreciate the content.

IOWA ARBORIST ASSOCIATION (IAA) TREE CLIMBING COMPETITION
September 25 • 7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

The Iowa Arborist Association is hosting an event for professional tree climbers to share the latest in tree climbing techniques and equipment. Climbers will compete against each other to test their tree climbing skills. Climbers will have to rescuing an injured worker from a tree and speed climb trees. The public is invited to bring a lawn chair and watch the fun!"

Fee for Contestants: Members-$35 and Non-members $45
Lunch provided for contestants but will also be available to spectators for $10

To Register: Scott Carlson
CELL: 563-570-0561
EMAIL: slcarlson9999@csteldridge.com
FALL PLANT SALE
Saturday, September 12 and Sunday, September 13 • 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

As you may have noticed, 2015 has been a great year for perennials with plenty of rain and cooler temperatures helping create a brilliant flower show. The bold colors of peonies and irises on the Arboretum grounds were spectacular thanks to the nice weather. Don’t miss the opportunity to bring this show to your garden next spring by attending the Iowa Arboretum’s Fall Plant Sale on September 12 and 13. With the wide selection of plants you are sure to find a color or fragrance to enhance your garden enjoyment.

This year we are featuring many peony varieties that have received the American Peony Society Award of Landscape Merit. These varieties have been chosen for their superior ornamental value, overall appearance in the landscape and throughout the growing season, and reliable performance across North America. This means fewer disease problems and floppy broken stems after a spring rain, plus attractive foliage in the garden after the blooming season has finished. Plant a splash of tropical color in the garden with ‘Hawaiian Pink Coral’ or cut a dramatic bouquet of ‘Scarlet O’Hara’. Add the strong sweet fragrance and pastel flowers of ‘Loves Touch’ near a patio or sitting area for olfactory enjoyment. For the tree peony lovers the dazzling colors of ‘Spring Carnival’ will put some amusement in your landscape. With peonies in almost every color and flower form you’re sure find an exciting addition to your peony collection.

Did you know Iris, the Greek goddess, was thought to be a messenger of the gods acting as a link between heaven and earth? Boost your garden to heavenly status by choosing from a wonderful selection of Iowa-grown irises from Rainbow Iris Farm in Bedford. Iris are ideal for fall planting and with the allure of a kaleidoscope of color, dizzying array of patterns and their easy-care habit you will have to find a spot for a new iris, or three. Whether you choose the stately tall bearded iris ‘Concertina’ or the dainty dwarf bearded iris ‘Blueberry Tart’, you won’t regret finding garden space for the plant that symbolizes faith, hope, wisdom, courage and admiration.

If you seek the unusual or different, plant a Spuria iris (Iris spuria) ‘Fontanelle.’ Found years ago at an old farmstead, they are considered one of the world’s superb landscape irises. The wonderful trait of spuria irises is that they may be left in place for many years without splitting, so plant this with in mind and give the plants a little more space between varieties. These unique iris will bloom about one to two weeks after the tall bearded irises, extending the colorful bloom season. Spuria irises are a tall stately plant with sword-like foliage that create a vertical presence in the garden. They also make superb cut flowers so enjoy them in a spring bouquet. This plant is a 2014 Great Plants™ Release in honor of Harlan Hamernik, founder of Bluebird Nursery of Clarkson, NE.

In addition to peony and iris there will be other plant varieties to choose from, so mark your calendar for the Fall Plant Sale on September 12 and 13. Plan your trip and enjoy a walk around the grounds to take in the tranquil beauty of the Iowa Arboretum.

The Iowa Arboretum will be one of the display gardens for the 2017 American Iris Society Convention so be sure to get a sneak peek in the display beds south of the greenhouse as the iris get an early start for the event.

ARBORETUM JOINS PLANT.GROW.FLY.

Did you know that one out of every three bites of food depends on pollinators? We’ve joined the Blank Park Zoo’s Plant.Grow.Fly. program to increase awareness about the decline and importance of our native pollinators (like bees and butterflies) and to encourage our community to take action to conserve them. We believe that no effort is too small and that each of us can do our part to help pollinators thrive, just by planting butterfly gardens in our yards. These “pollinator pit stops” can help these tiny travelers find the resources they need.

We encourage you to plant your garden and register it (for free) on the Zoo’s website. They will send you a certificate for your habitat and they will recognize you on their website. To date, they have almost 400 registered gardens, throughout the state of Iowa and beyond. They hope to get to 500 by the end of the year.

The Iowa Arboretum is part of a network of over 40 local, regional and national partners supporting the Plant.Grow.Fly. program. The program offers a simple, straightforward way to help our declining pollinators.

Go to blankparkzoo.com to find your butterfly gardening “how-to” guide.

Visit the arboretum’s Butterfly Garden to learn about plants you can grow in your garden.

BringFido.com

Nan Bonfils – Education Coordinator

The Iowa Arboretum welcomes well-behaved dogs on leashes from sunrise to sunset 365 days a year.

It was midmorning late May when Tobey and I were just heading down Linden Lane Trail. Of course Tobey was on a leash. Even though the Arboretum is like a second home to my dog, the rules are the rules. Unexpectedly, for all concerned, we startled a wild turkey on the ground just off the trail and only about 15 feet ahead of us. Tobey responded immediately to my “Halt. Leave it.” commands, giving the giant bird enough time to build up some speed and thrust as it lifted into tree limbs. It was breathtaking and I was awash in gratitude.

My dog loves walking at the Arboretum. What does he get out of it? Exercise, smells, adventure, and chances to meet other creatures, furry, feathered, scaled and two legged. Plus the bond. I am always in a better mood and better health after a walk around the Arboretum with Tobey. I am sure it’s the same for my dog.

We invite you to try a walk with your dog here soon.

Bags for pooch clean-up are available from dispensers at the south end of our main parking lot and near the head of the woodland trails. Members and their dogs walk for free every day. General admission rate applies for nonmembers. Consider becoming a member.

PAWS IN THE PARK a 5K walk/run for people and dogs
Saturday, October 3 • Cafferty Building

We are delighted to host and support a perennial fundraiser organized by the Foundation for the Boone Area Humane Society. You can get all the registration details from Krista Moffit, Foundation President, krista@moffitts.com.

Volunteers, with or without dogs, are needed to stand by as course markers. A parent and child could do this together. If you are interested in helping, please contact Nan Bonfils, Education Coordinator – nan@iowaarboretum.org.
DONATIONS, NEW MEMBERS & RENEWALS
MARCH 1 TO JUNE 30, 2015

Significant Gifts
Lester Boucher
Ruby Buck
Daniel & Diane Cloutier
Des Moines Founders
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Boone Garden Club
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Linda Day
Paula Evans
Shari Gillespie
Jack & Lois Girton
Elizabeth Harmon
Iowa Regional Lily Society
Jefferson Garden Club
Mark & Jennifer Joos
Richard & Kate Jordan
Tom Jordan
Lorin Knapp
Knoxville Fed. Garden Club
Lisa Kobernusz
Dave & Kathy Low
Barry Low & Larry Skellinger
Marshalltown YMCA
Men's Garden Club Of Des Moines
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Red & Penny Githins
Charles & Cheryl Hunter
Jennifer Hupp
Charles & Pam Larson
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Janet Moore

Ann Newbury
Randall Nyberg
Derek & Bev Oldofson
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Kate Benson-Larson
Joyce Bimbil
Richard Black
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Boekelink
Donna Borowycz
Karen Boyce
Laune Brandenburg
Philip Broer & Family
Bruce & Mary Brown
Mary Buck
George Burnet & Martha Anderson
Joyce & Pat Murphy Carlson
Margaret Chamberlin
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Josephine & Jimmy Clegg
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Signatures
Lewis Sears
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Nelvinae Seiler
Poulette Sells
Dave & Rosie Sheehan
Susan Shields
Leroy & Joan Sigmund
Eliza Handerson
Joan Hart
Bill & Lynn Hayes
Mary Hays
Karen Hemminger
Don & Norma Hilderson
Laurren & Linda Hodges
Chuck & Helen Hoeven
Charlotte Huisman
Paul Hunter
William & Fay Hunter
Tom & Ann Hutchins
Judith Imgrum
Ed & Leanna Jacobsen
John & Marilynn Jordan
Tom & Deanna Jordan
Leone Junck
Joanne Kalahar
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Pat Boucher
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Lea Coffrey, Jr.
Patsy Cowine
William Cowkie
Larry & Pauline Halupnick
Michael & Kimberly
Hemerson
Stephanie Lowen
The 2015 annual meeting of the members of Iowa Arboretum Incorporated will be at the Arboretum at 1875 Peach Avenue, Madrid, Iowa, on Thursday November 12, 2015. Registration will begin at 1 p.m. The meeting will begin at 1:15 p.m. to take action on the following matters:

1. Reports of officers, directors, and committees.
2. Election of Board of Director Members.
3. Election of Endowment Fund Committee Members.
4. Such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment or adjournments thereof.

Members are urged to attend this meeting and hear reports of the officers and participate in the election of the Board of Director Members and other activities of your Arboretum.

This notice dated at Madrid, Iowa, this 20th day of July 2015.

Herman Kopitzke, Secretary