

PESTICIDE TRAINING AND TESTING

The following pesticide training and testing sessions have been scheduled for northeastern Illinois.

General Standards Training and Testing

Tues., Jan. 10, 1984 — DuPage Co. Fairgrounds,
Manchester Rd., Wheaton

Training: 9 a.m. - noon; 8:30 a.m. regis.

Testing: 1:00 p.m.

Tues., Feb. 14, 1984 — Lake Co. Coop. Ext. Off.,
33020 N. Highway 45, Grayslake

Training: 10:30 a.m.

Testing: 1:30 p.m.

Wed., Feb. 15, 1984 — Heritage Hall, corner of Kansas
& Hickory (above police stn.), Frankfort

Training: 9 a.m. - noon

Testing: 1:00 p.m.

Fri., March 2, 1984 — Chicago Botanic Garden
Glencoe

Training: 9 a.m. - noon

Testing: 1:00 p.m.

Thurs., March 29, 1984 — Du Page Co. Fairgrounds
Manchester Rd., Wheaton

Training: 9 a.m. - noon; 8:30 a.m. regis.

Testing: 1:00 p.m.

Tues., April 24, 1984 — Lake Co. Coop. Ext. Off.,
33020 N. Highway 45, Grayslake

There will be a charge at the door of \$2.00 per person per session for the training. General Standards Study Guides will be available for \$2.00 per copy. There is no charge for the testing alone. Please register by phone for the Feb. 15 program in Frankfort by calling Marcy Pyziak (815/727-9296) or Greg Stack (312/532-4369). No preregistration is required for the other training sessions.

Category Training and Testing

Wed., Jan. 11, 1984 — Du Page Co. Fairgrounds
Manchester Rd., Wheaton

Registration: 8:30 a.m.

Turf Management - 9 a.m.-noon

Woody Ornamentals - 1-4 p.m.

Thurs., Jan. 12, 1984 — Du Page Co. Fairgrounds
Manchester Rd., Wheaton

Registration: 8:30 a.m.

Aquatic Weed Control - 9 a.m.-noon

Tues., Jan. 17, 1984 — Du Page Co. Fairgrounds
Manchester Rd., Wheaton

Registration: 8:30 a.m.

Plant Management - 9 a.m.-noon

Testing for above categories will be at 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 17, 1984 at the DuPage Co. Fairgrounds, Manchester Rd., Wheaton. There will be a charge at the door of \$2.00 per person per session for the training. Additional study materials may be available at an additional cost. There is no charge for the testing alone.

Testing Only - General Standards and All Categories

Wed., April 11, 1984 — Cook Co. Coop. Extension Off.,
4200 W. Euclid, Rolling Meadows

9:30 a.m. - noon; 1 - 3:30 p.m.

Wed., April 18, 1984 — Rm. 2002, Agriculture Bldg.
Joliet Jr. College, Joliet

1:00 p.m.

Thurs., May 17, 1984 — Du Page Co. Fairgrounds
Manchester Rd., Wheaton

9:30 a.m.

If you have further questions about the training and/or testing, please call my office at 312/682-7486.

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President MAGCS Roger Stewart presenting Mike Nass, President of ITF with a check for turf research at the recent NCTE conference.

MORE DISEASE-RESISTANT CRAB APPLES

Plant pathologist Lester P. Nichols has conducted an annual survey of crab apples in the northeastern and midwestern states since 1961 in an attempt to locate species and cultivars that are disease resistant. His search for plants that are resistant to apple scab, fire blight, cedar-apple rust, powdery mildew and frog-eye leaf spot has led to the appearance of many more disease-resistant cultivars on the retail market today.

Nichols, who is Professor Emeritus of Plant Pathology Extension at the Pennsylvania State University, and plant pathologists from across the country have compiled a list of five cultivars that have been found to be free of all five diseases for a five-year period. In addition, these plants have attractive form, flowers and fruit. 'Autumn Glory', 'Donald' and 'Molten Lava' are new cultivars, patent applied for; 'Professor Sprenger' and *Malus sargentii* 'Tina' are older cultivars that have been available for some time.

Many other fine crab apples are not found on this list because they are slightly or moderately susceptible to one or more of the five diseases. Some of these plants are more ornamental than the completely disease-resistant plants. Desirable cultivars that also exhibit good disease resistance include 'Adams'; *Malus baccata* var. *mandschurica* 'Centurion', 'Christmas Holly' and 'Callaway'; *Malus floribunda*; and *Malus sargentii* 'Sentinel'.

For a complete list of these recommended plants, along with an indication of their disease resistance, send a self-addressed, stamped, business-sized envelope to Assistants to the Editor, American Horticultural Society, P. O. Box 0105, Mount Vernon, VA 22121.

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