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ONLA Honors Gooding and Announces Kozel Scholarships



ONLA 2006 President Karl Losely (L) presents OSU alum Dick Gooding with the 2007 Distinguished Contribution Award.

affiliations include the American Nursery and Landscape Association, the Ohio Turfgrass Foundation, the International Society of Arboriculture, the Council of Tree and Landscape Appraisers, and the Nightscaping International Association.

Ohio State students Samantha Hatcher, Brent Halderman, Cullen Meves and alum Dick Gooding were recognized by the [Ohio Nursery & Landscape Association](http://www.onla.org) (ONLA) on January 23, 2007, during the annual Central Environmental Nursery Trade Show (CENTS) and OSU Nursery Short Course.

A respected green industry professional, **Richard (Dick) F. Gooding** received the 2007 ONLA Distinguished Contribution Award. This award recognizes any Ohio resident who has made significant and outstanding contributions to the nursery and landscape industries. Dick Gooding (BS 1975 Horticulture) got his start in the green industry working at his 90 acre family nursery and landscape business in 1975, after graduating cum laude from The Ohio State University. He now serves as President and General Manager of Gooding's Nursery & Landscaping in Sherrodsville, Ohio.

Gooding is actively involved with many industry organizations. He served as president of the ONLA in 1989, and has since served as Education Committee Chairman and sat on the Board of Directors for a two year term. He has also been a member of the ONLA Certification, Membership, Budget and Policy Review; Long Range Planning, and Nominating Committees. In 1998, Gooding served as the president of the National Landscape Association. He is also a past board member of Ohio Pesticide Applicators for Responsible Regulation. Some other professional



2007 Phil Kozel Scholarship Winners: Brent Halderman, Samantha Hatcher, and Cullen Meves with Dr. Bill Randle.

a great asset to our department."

Established in memory of **Dr. Phil Kozel**, Professor of Horticulture at Ohio State, ONLA annually presents the Phil Kozel Memorial Scholarships to 30 Ohio college students and 6 FFA students.

The scholarships are given to further the college careers of two upper-class persons and one first year student from the nine 2-year colleges in Ohio offering plant science degrees, as well as The Ohio State University Horticulture & Crop Science Department. The following three Ohio State student scholarship winners were recognized at the annual ONLA Business Meeting.

Samantha Hatcher - \$500 Recipient

Samantha Hatcher, who comes from a family of horticulturists, is a first year student at The Ohio State University. Her parents are the owners of Hatchers Greenhouses, and while Samantha has worked there she has gained experienced in watering, transplanting, and seed propagation, as well as customer service and staff management. After graduation, she plans to return to the family business and hopes to expand it with another retail facility. H&CS Student Coordinator **Tom Shockey** writes of Samantha, "She is enthusiastic and hard working and we expect her to be



Brent Halderman explains his plans to Pablo Jourdan during an Open House for H&CS 204: Design of Gardens and Small Properties.

Brent Russell Halderman - \$1000 Recipient

Brent Halderman is in his third year at OSU where he is involved in many student organizations, including the Landscape and Floriculture Forum (LAFF). Brent spent two summers working as a groundskeeper at Lost Valley Ranch, Colorado, and is currently employed on a landscape crew for M.J. Design. After graduation, he hopes to work as a landscape foreman or designer, but is open to exploring the many avenues of the landscape industry. Shockey speaks very highly of Brent, stating that he "is a rare individual, in that he is not only extremely accomplished, but is also always positive and inspiring."

Cullen Meves - \$1000 Recipient

Cullen Meves is a senior at OSU where she is majoring in both Landscape Architecture and Landscape Horticulture. She plays a variety of recreational sports, was a participant in the Columbus Greenbuilding Foundation, and is a member of SCASLA, ANLA, and ONLA. She spent a summer doing grounds maintenance for Cleveland Botanical Gardens and currently has an internship with NNBJ, where she does landscape design and drafting. She is searching for the right career that will give her the opportunity to "pursue and implement her passion for environmentally conscious design." Shockey sees a bright future ahead for Cullen, stating that "she excels in everything she does."

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