# **Registration Form**

Name1
Name2
Address
City
State Zip
Telephone #
E-Mail Address
*Submit names and addresses for each registrant.

## **Conference Registration Fee:**

The conference registration fee includes speakers, printed materials, break food, and lunch on Saturday. Lodging and Friday dinner are on your own. Add \$5/person for registrations after February 27.

## **Full Conference**

No. Attending: x	\$50.00 each = \$
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# **Friday Only**

No. Attending: \_\_\_\_ x \$25.00 each = \$ \_\_

# **Saturday Only**

No. Attending: \_\_\_\_ x \$40.00 each = \$ \_\_\_

Total Enclosed:.....\$ \_

Make check/money order payable to:

# **Iowa Nut Growers Association**

and return with completed registration to:

Roger Jensen 3503 40<sup>th</sup> Ave Fenton IA 50539

Registration Deadline: Monday, Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>

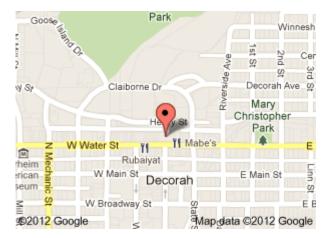
## **DIRECTIONS**

### From Hwy 52 North

- State Hwy 52 to Pole Line Rd (east)
- Pole Line Rd becomes College Drive
- Take slight left onto Water St.
- Hotel Winneshiek on left (north), however parking is in the back accessed by Court St from the west or State St from the east.

## From Hwy 52 South

- State Hwy 52 to IA Hwy 9 (east)
- Left onto Short St.
- Take slight left onto S Mechanic St.
- Right onto Water St.
- Hotel Winneshiek on left (north), however parking is in the back accessed by Court St from the west or State St from the east.



The Iowa Nut Growers Association (INGA) would like to welcome you to picturesque Decorah IA and the Beautiful Hotel Winneshiek for the 2017 Upper Midwest Hazelnut Growers Conference March 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. This conference will be structured similar to past conferences. Friday afternoon, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, will be dedicated to new or prospective growers. Learn about the basics of hazelnut production from selecting plants to establishing and caring for plants, to fertilizing and processing; we'll touch on it all. Friday afternoon will also feature processing demonstrations from a range of growers. See all various sizes and scales of equipment that new and experienced growers use.

Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup> will be geared for new and existing growers alike. Hear presentations and research updates from Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska, and Wisconsin. Mechanical harvesting, hazelnuts in agroforestry systems, micro-propagation, and more will be presented.

Got the biggest, tastiest, or thinnest shelled nut? Be sure to bring at least a 10 nut sample from a promising bush to be evaluated using the INGA score sheet for evaluating hazelnuts.

We look forward to seeing you at this year's conference and getting downright nutty!!

Questions or comments can be directed to:

Jeff@jenagres.com

515-320-6756

# 8th Annual Upper Midwest Hazelnut Growers Conference



Friday - Saturday March 3-4, 2017 Hotel Winneshiek 104 East Water St. Decorah, IA 52101



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# 8th Annual Upper Midwest

# **Hazelnut Growers Conference**

# **CONFERENCE AGENDA**

# Friday March 3rd

Winneshiek County Fairgrounds, Montgomery St. Decorah, IA

Noon – 1:00 Registration at the Community Bldg, Fairgrounds
1:00 – 3:00Open House Processing Demonstrations
3:00 – 4:00 Hazelnuts for Beginners
4:00 – 5:00Open House Processing Demonstrations

Do you have equipment that you use to husk, size, crack, or sort hazelnuts that you would like to share with others? Contact <a href="mailto:Jeff@jenagres.com">Jeff@jenagres.com</a> for information on how to participate in the processing demonstrations.

# 5:00 - 6:00 ...... American Hazelnut Company—Informational Meeting

Come learn more about our grower-owned hazelnut processing and marketing company

Are you a farm, non-profit, or equipment vendor? Contact Jeff Jensen with INGA at <a href="mailto:Jeff@jenagres.com">Jeff@jenagres.com</a> if you would like to request a table for displaying. Cost is \$100 for a full table, which includes one free registration.

# **Saturday March 4th**

# Hotel Winneshiek, 104 East Water St., Decorah, IA

8:00 – 9:00 Registration
9:00 – 9:05 Welcome & Introductions
9:05 – 9:15lowa Nut Growers Association, the Future of Iowa is NUTS!
9:15 – 9:45Agroforestry Opportunities with Hazelnuts  Jeff Jensen, Trees Forever
9:45 – 10:30 Update on Hazelnut Consortium Activities
Aaron Clare, Forestry Properties Manager, Nebraska Forest Service
10:30 – 11:15Production and Economics of the Hazelnut Hedgerow
System
Jason Fischbach, Food and Energy Woody Crops Specialist, UWEX
11:15 – 12:00Hazelnut Breeding Updates
Lois Braun, University of Minnesota
12:00 – 1:00Lunch/Networking with Nut Evaluation Results
1:00 – 1:45Integrated Hazelnut Systems: Preliminary Findings from Silvopasture Establishment Research  Keefe Keeley, Executive Director, Savannah Institute
1:45 – 2:15Mechanical Harvesting Panel  Linda Meschke, Norm Erickson, Jim Mickelson
2:15 – 3:00
Adjourn