Win Dunwell Named a Fellow of the IPPS Eastern Region



Winston Dunwell, University of Kentucky Extension Horticulture Specialist for Nursery Crops, was honored by his peers on September 25, 2015 at the IPPS Eastern Region annual conference. Win was presented with the Fellow Award which was created to honor Eastern Region members for contributions to plant propagation or production in one or more areas: teaching, research, or extension activities as well as for service to the Society.

Recognition Committee Chair Ron Amos described Win as a true educator and researcher, noting that he is usually seen with his camera and notebook. Win gathers information to use to educate his students in the latest propagation and growing techniques.

Win grew up in East Quogue, New York, in a farming area that produced mainly horticultural crops. He attended the State University of New York at Farmingdale, receiving his Associates Degree in Nursery Management. Following 4 years in the US Air Force, he attended the University of Wyoming and received his Bachelors Degree in Plant Science/Horticulture. He earned his Ph.D. at the University of Idaho where he worked on the effects of cold stress on

Ornamental Plants. In 1979, Win accepted a position with The University of Kentucky as an Extension Horticulture Specialist for Nursery Crops where he remains today.

Win's area of interest is developing educational programs related to sustainable ornamental plant introduction, propagation, production, and utilization. He established the Nursery Crops Development Center to carry out trials on cultivated and native plants with unique characteristics of special interest to the nursery/landscape industry and the gardening public. The goal of the Center is to provide plants that will increase the product mix at the nursery, increase the number of plants available for the landscape designer's palette, and be useful in environment conservation and restoration. He received the Southern Nursery Association Porter Henegar Memorial Award in 2012.

Win has participated and chaired many IPPS committees, including his recent position as Publicity Committee Chair. He is also currently a Director on the IPPS Eastern Region Board. He has presented papers at the conferences of both the Eastern and Southern Regions of IPPS. Congratulations, Win!