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SPRINGFIELD, Ill. – Becky Thomas of Spring Grove Nursery in Mazon, IL assumed the role of President of the Illinois Green Industry Association (IGIA) on July 1.

Thomas, who owns and operates Spring Grove Nursery with her husband, will lead the organization from July 1, 2017 until June 30, 2018. She has served on its Board of Directors for the last eight years.

“I’m honored and excited to lead the IGIA at this time in our history and I look forward to continuing the positive momentum of the association,” Thomas said. “We will strive to enhance and expand our ability to represent and serve our diverse members, while also connecting the public and potential customers with the professional nursery and landscape businesses in our industry.”

“One on my top priorities will be to collaborate with other trade organizations to advance the common goals of our industry, explore exciting new opportunities and to help address the myriad challenges we all face,” Thomas continued. “Working together makes us all stronger and more effective, and helps to maximize limited resources and eliminate inefficiencies.”

Becky Thomas is the President of Spring Grove Nursery in Mazon. She owns & operates the nursery with her husband, Jamie Thomas. Together they grow

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their nursery with a common vision for excellence & sustainability.

Becky Thomas graduated from University of Illinois in 1993 with a B.A. in Landscape Architecture. In 1999, Spring Grove Nursery took root as Becky & her husband Jamie planted their first crop of trees. Now the nursery grows on 94 acres in Grundy County just south of the Chicagoland suburbs. Their nursery specializes in a diverse & superior selection of Shade, Ornamental & Evergreen trees. Spring Grove Nursery also is a member of the Ornamental Grower's Association of Northern Illinois where Becky currently serves on its Board of Directors as well.

The IGIA is proud to be a leader in the Illinois Green Industry. We are a non-profit trade association serving members in Illinois' nursery and landscape industry. Founded in 1925, IGIA is one of the oldest agricultural organizations in the state. The Association is a statewide organization that represents, educates and promotes growers/nurseries/re-wholesalers, garden centers/retailers, irrigation contractors, landscape professionals and other green industry businesses.

For more information about Spring Grove Nursery, please visit:  
[www.springgrovenursery.com](http://www.springgrovenursery.com).

For more information about the Illinois Green Industry, the public and potential customers can visit: [www.gardenillinois.com](http://www.gardenillinois.com).

Industry colleagues and those interested in learning more about the IGIA should visit: [www.illinoisgreen.net](http://www.illinoisgreen.net).

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