

# Missouri LICA NEWS

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## 2008 Drainage Field Day and Summer Meeting



With all the rain we've been getting, this is the perfect year for Missouri LICA's Drainage Field Day and Summer Meeting!! On July 16, 17 & 18, Missouri LICA members will assist the University of Missouri install three drainage & sub-surface irrigation test plots at its Bradford Farm in Columbia, MO.

This field day will be a little different than the ones we've held in the past because we're offering our contractor membership the chance for some hands-on training in sub-surface drainage installation. If you are interested in helping, please contact Jim Bledsoe (816-244-0958) or Jeff Lance (816-387-3000).

### Our Thanks ...

We'd like to offer a great big "Thank You!" to our Associate members who are helping to make this field day a reality. Please remember ... it pays to shop our LICA Associates!

**Advanced Drainage Systems, Inc.**

**Cooke Sales & Service**

**Murphy Tractor & Equipment**

**Prinsco, Inc.**

**Agri Drain Corp.**

**Fabick CAT**

**Port Industries, Inc.**

**Springfield Plastics, Inc.**

### Here's what's planned for each day ...

#### Wednesday, July 16

9:00am - Contractors meet at Bradford Farm and begin pre-construction projects.

#### Thursday & Friday, July 17 & 18

9:00am - Contractors meet in field to begin installation

9:30am - Landowners/attendees listen to Dr. Kelly Nelson, Greenley Research Center, describe his research and its powerful results

10:30am - NRCS will provide tips on design and surveying

11:30am - University of Missouri provides lunch

12:30pm - Landowners/attendees tour demonstration area

**Friday night** - LICA volunteers are invited to a barbecue and short membership meeting sponsored by the University of Missouri

**More Drainage Field Day/Summer Meeting details on page 2.**



## President's Corner

I am honored to have been elected President of this Association. I have been a member for over 20 years and had not yet served in this capacity. I am looking forward to the next two years, serving as President of this organization of true professionals.

As I begin this term, I look forward to working with the Committees and Board of Directors to achieve the goals of the strategic plan. We have some very knowledgeable and experienced men who have volunteered to be Chairmen of committees and already have their committees working and are seeing results. Our Board of Directors meeting in March was a great success. We enjoyed a great turn out and a lot of participation. Everyone pitched in to get the job done, so no one person was overwhelmed. It was gratifying to be on our conference calls and watch the progress take place; to see the integrity and enthusiasm of everyone was inspiring, a lot was being accomplished. Thank you for allowing me to be a part of that.

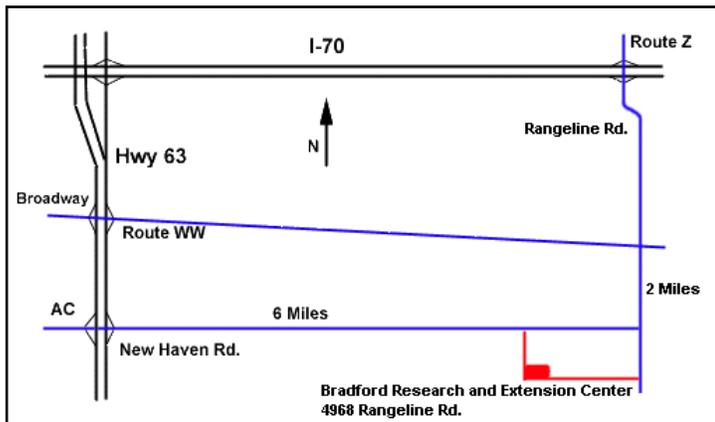
Stephanie and I are looking forward to attending the National LICA Summer Meeting in Harrisburg, PA and our Missouri LICA Summer Meeting in Columbia. I plan on seeing everyone there!

Please do not hesitate to call me anytime; with all the rain, it has been a little lonely down here!

### Larry LaFollette

Missouri LICA President

#### Bradford Farm



#### Driving Directions

I-70 to Highway 63 - South on 63 for 1 mile to the "Broadway & WW" overpass exit - Turn left (east) on Broadway/WW for 6.5 miles - Turn right on Rangeline Road (watch for the sign) for 2 miles. Headquarters are on the right. [Latitude: 38 deg; 53 min; 43.5 sec. North - Longitude: 92 deg; 12 min; 37.9 sec. West]

## More Details ...

### A Grand Barbecue!



As a "Thank You" for Missouri LICA's help on this project, the University of Missouri will be hosting a barbecue for our members on Friday evening, July 18. We will also use this time to hold a short membership meeting.

So, bring the family and join us for a little work, a little business, and some great food!



### Rewards for Volunteers:

The University of Missouri will be inviting landowners to come learn about sub-surface drainage and irrigation, as well as witness some of what it takes to install a system. Our role will be to show the landowners that they shouldn't try this on their own ... they need a trained LICA contractor! So, step up, volunteer to help and you could become one of the contractors these landowners look to for help! Not only that, each of our contractor volunteers will get a LICA t-shirt! So give Jim Bledsoe (816-244-0958) or Jeff Lance (816-387-3000) a call today and let them know you'll be there to help!

### Possible hotels:

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|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| Comfort Inn<br>2904 Clark Ln<br>573-814-2727             | Wingate Inn<br>3101 Wingate Ct<br>573-817-0500            |
| La Quinta Inn<br>901 Conley Rd<br>573-443-4141           | Staybridge Suites<br>805 Keene St<br>573-442-8600         |
| Best Western-Columbia<br>3100 I 70 Dr SE<br>573-474-6161 | Holiday Inn Express<br>801 Keene Street<br>877-410-6681   |
| Super 8-Clark Lane<br>3216 Clark Ln<br>573-474-8488      | Eastwood Motel<br>2518 Business Loop 70 E<br>573-443-8793 |
| Candlewood Suites<br>3100 Wingate Ct<br>573-817-0525     | Motel 6<br>3402 I 70 Dr SE<br>573-815-0123                |

### Possible campsites:

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|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| Cottonwoods RV Park<br>5170 N Oakland Gravel Rd<br>Columbia - 573-474-2747 | Katfish Katy<br>8825 W Sarr St<br>Columbia - 573-445-0047 |
| Finger Lakes State Park<br>1505 E Peabody Rd<br>Columbia - 573-443-5315    |                                                           |



## 2008 Missouri Legislative Session

*Our contractor members ... and non-member dirt-movers (member prospects!) ... owe Chairman Gerald Bauer and his Legislative Committee members a big "Thank You" for their hard work protecting the small contractor during the 2008 Missouri Legislative Session. The proposed dam regulations bill never made it out of the House and the proposed One Call legislation - although not everything we wanted - was passed with little damage to our members!*

*Below is a brief summary of the main changes to RSMO 319.015, the One Call legislation, which will take effect January 1 2009 (if the Governor signs the bill, which he is expected to do). The full law can be viewed at the Missouri LICA website's ([www.MLICA.org](http://www.MLICA.org)) under the "Members Only" Legislative Action link. Missouri One Call will be mailing a new Excavator Manual with the full version of the new law before the end of the year.*

- ♦ MODOT will participate in the Missouri One Call System as an active member.
- ♦ An additional question will be asked to try to determine if the dig site is located on public right-of way.
- ♦ Required contact information on the locate request will change.
  - ♦ The excavator's fax number, email address and cellular phone number will be requested.
  - ♦ The name of the person conducting or supervising the excavation will be required.
- ♦ All underground utilities within the City of St. Louis are now required to participate
- ♦ Language defining the use of the Design ticket has been inserted.
- ♦ The day a locate request is called in will no longer count toward the two-working-day notice requirement. The two-working-day response time by utilities will begin at 12am (midnight) following the receipt of the notification.
- ♦ The utilities will no longer have a full working day to respond to a No Response ticket. If the No Response notification is made before 2 pm, there will be a two hour response time requirement by the utilities. If the request is made after 2 pm, the response is to be made no later than 10am the next working day.
- ♦ The excavator is required to notify only the notification center (Dig Up ticket) in the event of any damage.
- ♦ The defined utility response time for an Emergency locate request is now two hours.
- ♦ An excavator placing an Emergency locate request not meeting the definition of the law will be eligible for billing by member utilities.



## Member News

### Welcome Aboard!

We'd like to welcome the following new contractor members:

#### Tom Grant

Grant Excavating  
10351 E Judy School Rd.  
Columbia, MO 65202  
District: 2 County: Boone  
Cell: 573-881-2423  
Work Categories: EXG, PD,  
TW

#### Eric Sikes

ATS Excavation and Drainage  
R.R. #1, Box 605  
Richards, MO 64778  
District: 4 County: Vernon  
Ph: 417-667-6279  
Work Categories: PD, R, EMC,  
EXG, TW  
Equipment: GR, CL, DZ

### Directory Changes/Additions

#### Company Associate Addition:

**Eric Levings**; Mandy; **G.M. Peters Agency, Inc.**; 11 N. Water Street; Liberty, MO 64068; District: 1 County: Clay; Ph: 816-781-4922; Fx: 816-781-8050; Cell: 816-200-4227; Em: [ericlevings@gmpeters-ins.com](mailto:ericlevings@gmpeters-ins.com)

**Port Industries** contact has changed to: **Steve Schlueter**; cell: 217-653-3705; email: [Steve.Schlueter@portindustries.com](mailto:Steve.Schlueter@portindustries.com). All the other company information remains the same.

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## MU-LICA Drainage Field Days & Summer Meeting



**July 16-17-18, 2008**  
**Bradford Farm ♦ Columbia, MO**

*Bring the family and ...*  
*join us for a little work ...*  
*a little business ...*  
*and some great food!*

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI  
 Extension

