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ARBORIST MEETING IN MEDICINE HAT

The Prairie Chapter of the International Society of Arboriculture held its annual conference on September 17 to 20 in Medicine Hat, Alberta. It was attended by about 150 persons, mostly municipal arborists and landscape maintenance companies.

New and interesting trees and shrubs for our climate

Review by Dr. Christine Murray, Alberta Agriculture, of the regional plant testing.

- See the enclosed 2-page list of all plants under testing.
- Possible good selections for future plantings: *Acer saccharinum* 'Silver Cloud', *Larix gmelinii*, *Malus* 'Millstream', *Populus canadensis* 'Prairie Sky', *Prunus nigra* 'Princess Kay', *Prunus padus* 'Ethel', *Quercus X warei* 'Long'.

Mycorrhizal inoculation of nursery trees: benefits for arborists

I was invited to speak on the mycorrhizae trials at Byland's Nurseries.

- The presentation was the same as to Ontario nursery growers last February.
- From the International Conference on Mycorrhizae, held in Montreal in August, all research reports appear to agree: *plants colonized with mycorrhizae have a higher tolerance of environmental stresses, including drought, cold, transplant, salt, root rot.*

