Résumé for:

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Current:

- *Owner of Silver Creek Nurseries, Inc. in Manitowoc, WI
- *Program Advisory Board member and past chair at Lakeshore Technical College (Cleveland, WI)
- *Program Advisory Board Member at Northeast WI Technical College (Green Bay, WI)
- *Member and representative from WI to the North Central Nursery IPM Working Group (USDA)

Past:

- *Board Member of the WI Nursery and Landscape Assoc. (WNLA)
- *Board Member and President of the WI Nursery Assoc. (now WNLA)
- *Board Member and President of the WI Landscape Federation (now WI Green Industry Federation)
- *Represented WI as Governor/Senator for American Nursery and Landscape Assoc. (ANLA) (now American Hort)
- *Board Member and chair of the WI Urban Forestry Council
- *Program Advisory Board Member at Milwaukee Area Technical College (Mequon, WI)
- *General laborer at Silver Creek Nurseries and Landscape, Inc. from 1971 to 1974
- *General laborer at Moller's Nursery, Gresham, OR from 1974 to 1975
- *Field operations and sales at Silver Creek Nurseries, Inc. 1977 to present
- *Sales for Berryhill Nursery, Springfield, OH 1981 to 1992 (est.)
- *Sales for Scarff's Nursery, New Carlisle, OH 1992 to 1999 (est.)
- *Sales for Teufel Nursery, Portland, OR 1992 to 1996 (est.)

Work related activities:

- *Oversee the daily operations of our nursery. My work duties find me indoors and outdoors in all phases of the company.
- *Invented, manufacture and market the Calipro Tree Inventory System (U.S. Patent #5,884,240, now expired)
- *Listed as co-author, et.al. of: *Impacts of Wire Basket Retention and Removal on Planting Time, Root Ball Condition, and Early Growth of Acer platanoides and Gleditsia triacanthos var. inermis*, which has been be published in the ISA publication Arboriculture and Urban Forestry January 2015
- *Assisting in the development of a sterile Ornamental Pear with Dr. Susan Wiegrefe.
- *Propagating and reintroducing trees of historic importance, such as Johnny Appleseed's and Sir Isaac Newton's apple trees.
- *Propagator and orchard specialist for a large Wisconsin based cheese company's corporate headquarters.
- *Implemented a unique container tree growing system, to promote better root development and to lessen the carbon footprint of tree production at our nursery.
- *Started an industry wide horticulturally based discussion group for WI on Linkedin called the Wisconsin Green Industry Professionals Network (inactive).
- *Member of Rare and Heirloom Fruit Growers discussion group (inactive) on Linkedin.
- *Wrote several articles for national and state trade magazines, such as Nursery Manager, American Nurseryman, Green Side Up (WI), Wisconsin Arborist, and Morning Ag Clips (WI Edition).
- *Raised funds and rode in the 2014, 2016, 2017, and 2018 (Stihl) Tour des Trees fund raising bicycle tour for the TREE (Tree Research and Education Endowment) Fund.

Education: Associate Degree in Horticulture Production (1977) – Gateway Technical College (Kenosha, WI)

Personal activities:

*Member of the Lakeshore Pedalers Bicycle Club

Personal: Married 40 years. 3 sons and 2 grandchildren

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