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It is our pleasure to recognize each of the following sponsors without whom we would not have been able to pull everything together. Please join with us in extending thanks to each of the following individuals and organizations:

### PLATINUM LEVEL

*The ISGA would like to thank Liz Reilly and everyone at Jonathan's Sprouts for all of their work with the convention arrangements and her support as host of this year's convention.*



Bob and Barbara Sanderson, both former Presidents of the ISGA, have long been committed to working together with other sprout growers to create more sales and better quality sprouts for all growers. With this commitment, in 1980, they contacted the other New England sprout growers to contribute to a grant to the University of Massachusetts to support the work of Dr. Rob Wick in studying the plant pathogens that were undermining the quality of the sprouts and find ways to improve sprout quality and shelf life.

In 1984 they founded the New England Sprout Growers Assn. with these same growers to take advantage of Federal-State Marketing Program grants and create a collaborative sprout marketing program. Wanting more financial power for promoting sprouts, the NE Sunsprout growers approached the US and Canadian Sunsprout Growers, who agreed to join forces in starting the International Sprout Growers Association in 1989.

One Sanderson from Jonathan Sprouts has been on the BOD from the beginning, and actively working with other sprout growers to make the industry strong, increase consumption of sprouts, gather knowledge of best safety and quality practices and relax and enjoy the companionship and experience of other growers, and experts in related fields.



Bob, Barbara, Rich and Liz are pleased to have the opportunity to be with everyone on Cape Cod this Spring and thank all of you for making the effort to join us in this networking and learning experience.

## **MISSION**

Eatmore Sprouts & Greens Ltd. provides fresh, locally grown, certified organic sprouts and greens year round in the Comox Valley and beyond for a happier healthier planet.



## **Company Overview**

Eatmore Sprouts & Greens Ltd. is a Certified Organic Farm producing a variety of sprouts, greens and vegetables on 3.75 acres near Courtenay, BC. Our sprouted products are sold through restaurants, grocery stores and wholesale distributors throughout Western Canada. Sprout products include: Alfalfa, Deli, Garlic, Clover, Broccoli, Sunflower Greens, Microgreens and Pea Shoots. Sprouts are produced in an indoor growing facility and greenhouse buildings. We produce 9,000-10,000 pounds of sprouts and greens weekly, year round!

Eatmore Sprouts & Greens Ltd. was established in 1975. Carmen and Glenn Wakeling the current owners, have been involved in the company for over 30 years. Eatmore Sprouts employs 40 people who work hard every day to bring our products to you.

Organic Certification is important to us as this gives you the assurance that the foods we produce are grown using the best practices to support a healthy planet.

Food safety is a big part of what we do. We have a vigorous food safety system which includes a multifaceted testing, cleaning and training program. We are a HACCP (Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point) certified facility.

Eatmore Sprouts has many environmental initiatives under way:

- Organic Certification
- Powered by: Bullfrog power. (Wind power sold into the grid for all the electricity we use and renewable natural gas)
- We have 48 solar panels
- Our greenhouses are heated with Hot water heat that is created using a wood gasification boiler called a "Garn"
- All the heat from our processing waste water is harvested and by using a heat pump system we heat our buildings
- Rammed earth heat sink technology: The most recent greenhouse we built was designed based on mass heat storage. The beds store both heat from the boiler and from natural solar gain during the day and this heat radiates out during cold damp nights here in BC.
- Canadian Organic Seed supply: We buy all our seeds from a Canadian Organic supplier. The majority of the seeds are produced on Canadian soil!

We believe that sprouts and greens are an important part of a local and diverse diet supporting health and local economy one community at a time.

**Please enjoy our sprouts and greens, we sure do!**

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*The ISGA would like to thank Jonathan Ego of HPC Foods, Mumm's Sprouting Seeds, and Dr. Zadeh of Lapuck Labs for their generous sponsorship...*



Founded in 1946 by Kakuichi Tottori as Honolulu Poi Company, the company started as a small poi milling operation with just three employees. Today, HPC Foods, Ltd. remains a family owned and operated company and distributes a variety of products under the Taro Brand label. The Company is the leader of Poi, Poi Products, Sprouts, and Fresh Cut Fruits and Vegetable manufactured in Hawaii. Quality, freshness, and food safety is our commitment



Mumm's Sprouting Seeds are proud to exclusively specialize in organic sprout and microgreen seeds, now carrying over 70 varieties.

We have been producing and marketing high quality certified organic seeds market since 1982.

The majority of our seed is produced here in Saskatchewan, with very small amount being grown on the Mumm family farm.

Crops that cannot be grown in Saskatchewan, due to our short growing season, are sourced from the US and overseas.

Jim and I are very pleased to announce that our daughter Lisa is the new owner of Mumm's Sprouting Seeds, and is doing extremely well in the lead position at Mumm's.

Since coming on board in 2010, Lisa has been very active in the organic sector. She sits on the boards of the Canadian Organic Trade Association, Organic Connections and Sask Organic's Organic Agriculture Protection Fund, and has participated in the Organic Value Chain Round Table and the Canadian Biotechnology Action Network.



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Lapuck Laboratories, Inc., located in Canton, MA, consists of a team of dedicated, highly trained food scientists, food microbiologists, epidemiologists, and food safety specialists.

Lapuck Laboratories, Inc. has been providing testing services to Sprout Growers for the past sixteen years and, therefore, we are well positioned to continue offering outstanding analytical services to the Sprout Industry.

- ISO-17025 accreditation in most food and environmental testing methodologies, including Salmonella and E.coli O157:H7 testing for Sprout Irrigation Water
- Knowledgeable staff, including infectious disease epidemiologist Dr. Khalil Zadeh DVM, MPH, available for consultations to assist with selecting the most comprehensive testing program for your Sprouts growing operation, as well as the areas of process sanitation, equipment sanitization, and HACCP program implementation
- Fast turn-around time – using AOAC Neogen-Reveal Methodologies, the Laboratory has established a turn-around-time of 24 hours for both Salmonella and E.coli O157:H7 Screening Tests in sprouts spin irrigation water.
- We offer Competitive Pricing for our Testing Services

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