## Plant Health Care Report



Scouting Report of The Morton Arboretum

July 17, 2015

**Growing Degree Day issue** 

## What indicator plant is in bloom at the Arboretum?

Chicory (Cichorium intybus) is in early bloom.

**Viburnum leaf beetle update:** We have had one report of viburnums leaf beetle adults feeding, so start checking your viburnums again. The adults will feed for the rest of the season.

Accumulated Growing Degree Days (Base 50): 1243.5 (as of July 16) Accumulated Growing Degree Days (Base 30): 3479.5 (as of July 16)



Figure 1 Chicory

## Degree Days and Weather Information

As of July 16, we have accumulated 1243.5 base-50 growing degree days (GDD). The historical average (1937-2013) for this date is  $1335 \text{ GDD}_{50}$ .

Location	B <sub>50</sub> Growing Degree Days Through July 16, 2015	Precipitation (in) July, 10-16 2015
Carbondale, IL*	2133	
Champaign, IL*	1768	
Chicago Botanic Garden**	1089 (as of 7/15)	.67 (7/8-14)
Chicago O'Hare*	1438	
Kankakee, IL*	1493	
The Morton Arboretum	1243.5	.76 õ
Northbrook, IL**	1137 (as of 7/15)	.39 (7/8/-14)
Quincy, IL*	1875	
Rockford, IL*	1231	
Springfield, IL*	1853	
Waukegan, IL*	1155	

<sup>\*\*</sup>Mike Brouillard, Northbrook Park District and Chris Beiser, Chicago Botanic Garden, supply us with this information.

<sup>\*</sup>We obtain most of our degree day information from the GDD Tracker from Michigan State University web site. For additional locations and daily degree days, go to <a href="http://www.gddtracker.net/">http://www.gddtracker.net/</a>



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