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### Winter Symposium Wrap-Up

Thank you to all of those who braved the cold to attend this year's Winter Symposium & Expo! The Winter Symposium was well attended. We hope that everyone enjoyed a break from their everyday routines to meet with peers, vendors, and to listen to some great speakers!



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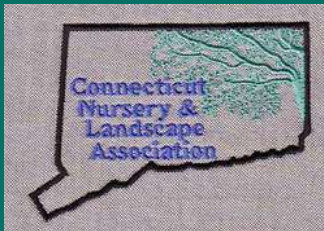
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## Incoming President



**Darryl Newman CANP  
Planters' Choice Nursery**

Darryl Newman of Planters' Choice Nursery is a University of Maryland graduate with a degree in Landscape Management. Darryl comes from a multi-generational, Newtown farmers on both sides of his family. He has served on the Connecticut Nursery and Landscape Association Board of Directors since 2005. As the incoming President, Darryl is excited to continue pushing CNLA towards a successful future.



## Your Time is Appreciated!



Thank you to Past President, Dave Taddei, for his time and commitment serving the CNLA and to Immediate Past President, Kevin Sullivan, for all of his time and hard work this past year serving as CNLA's President.



### **CNLA would like to welcome Dave Gindek and Tracy Van Rye to the Board of Directors.**

**David Gindek** is a landscape designer who has been with Young's Nurseries since 1982. He has designed/constructed landscapes for many of the areas finer homes. He has a BS in Horticulture from Virginia Tech and holds an Arborist & Supervisory Pesticide license in the state of Connecticut.

**Tracy Van Rye** is currently part of the Prides Corner Farms' team. She has been in the landscaping business nearly all of her life as it runs in the family. She is a proud UConn graduate and has a strong design background. She finds tremendous challenge and fun in procuring plants of all kinds from all over the country for the Wholesale Yard.

## Congratulations to the Award Recipients



CNLA Award of Merit recipient, Chuck Newman, with his son and CNLA President, Darryl Newman



NENA Young Professional Award recipient, Jessica Lubell presented by CNLA Past President and NENA President, Peter House

## CNF News

### *Connecticut Nurserymen's Foundation*

Thank you again to Barry Burton for serving on the CNF Board of Directors. Your commitment to the Foundation has been greatly appreciated!

We would like to welcome Nancy DeBrule as a new member of the Board of Directors.

Thank you to the scholarship recipients, Christian Allyn and Heather Slattery, for giving updates at the CNF Annual Meeting.

## Connecticut Nurserymen's Foundation Scholarship Information



The Connecticut Nurserymen's Foundation, Inc (CNF) is pleased to be awarding a:

**\$5,000 grant, per year - renewable for up to four years of study**

to a Connecticut resident, graduating high school in the spring of 2015 or a student currently enrolled at the college level, majoring in the field of Horticulture. Please post this announcement and inform qualified students of this opportunity.

**The applicant must be accepted into a course of study beneficial to the Horticultural industry.**

This includes, but is not limited to: Ornamental Horticulture, Landscape Design, Nursery Management or Greenhouse Management.

Important criteria for selection will be scholastic standing as well as financial need. A copy of the student's Student Aid Report (SAR), Financial Aid award letter, or current college transcript and personal recommendations must be forwarded with the application to the CNF office.

Students must be residents of the State of CT. The student may attend either an "in state" or "out of state" institution.



Additionally, a second student will be awarded the **Howard Jennings Scholarship**. This is a one-time **\$500 Scholarship** for a CT student (high school or college) that has been accepted by UConn, majoring in plant science/horticulture. The same application and criteria for selection will be used for both scholarships.

The CNF Scholarship Selection Committee will interview finalists in April and notify the recipient immediately after selection. Applications must be received no later than March 9, 2015.

[CNF Application 2015](#)

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### HMS Scotties "Tree Rock" Victory Voting Plan



The town of Hamden was a recipient of a weather station available through a partnership with the UConn Extension, as part of a pilot program that UConn is trying to develop for school grounds managers here in CT. Middle school science teachers were excited to hear about the weather station and asked if they would be able to access the weather station and use the weather station to support some of their educational curriculum plans for the middle school students. Hamden Public Works Department and the Hamden School Department agreed to enter into a partnership to support this request to develop an outdoor educational classroom.

At the same time the weather station was coming online for them, the students and faculty at the middle school entered a contest by submitting a video that was sponsored by Scott Paper Towels, in the hope that they might be awarded an educational grant to further the development of their educational outdoor classroom. In Mid-November, they held a ribbon cutting ceremony for the weather station and showcased their submitted video as well. Administration from the school department and town of Hamden, and I representing UConn Extension, were present for the event.

**I am happy to report that Hamden Middle School has been selected as one of ten finalists in the "Scotties Trees Rock!" national video contest.** Now the students and faculty need the help of many people, especially our membership, to visit the website, register to vote, and help them win \$10,000 for their outdoor classroom. I know that CNLA members would enjoy supporting them since, of course.....Trees Rock!!  
Voting started yesterday!

Thank you,

Vickie Wallace  
UConn Extension  
CNLA Board of Directors

## How to Vote:

- Online voting starts on Jan. 12 and continues through Feb. 6 - all voting is done online at [www.scottiestreesrock.com](http://www.scottiestreesrock.com)
- Voters must be 18 years of age, so kids will need their parents' help.
- Voters have to register on the site the first time they vote - after that they will be able to go right into the site with email address only.
- Each person may vote once a day.
- Every vote is an entry into a sweepstakes to win a Scotties Care Package.
- Every week SCOTTIES scrubs the voting files to protect against duplicate votes and people trying to vote more than one time per day.
- Automated methods of voting are prohibited. Any attempt by entrant and/or his/her family/friends to cast more than one (1) vote per day using multiple names or email addresses and/or any other fraudulent mechanism (including hiring third parties to vote for the entrant), will not be allowed



**Get Out Your Calendars!  
Upcoming Industry Events**

- 18th Annual New England Regional Turfgrass Conference - Providence, RI, January 26-29, 2015. For more information, [click here](#).
- 2015 Turf & Landscape Conference - Crowne Plaza Hotel, Cromwell, CT - January 28, 2015. For more information, [click here](#).
- New England Grows - Boston Convention & Exhibition Center, February 4-6, 2015. For more information, [click here](#).
- [34th Annual CT Flower and Garden Show](#) - Hartford Convention Center, February 19-22, 2015. CNLA will be exhibiting at the show, we are always looking for volunteers for setup, working the booth, and clean up! Contact Bob St. Jacques, [bob@fourseasonsland.com](mailto:bob@fourseasonsland.com).
- UCONN Perennial Plant Conference - Lewis B. Romes Commons, UConn Storrs Campus, Thursday, March 5, 2015. More Information to follow.

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