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Ag Day at the Capitol



Ag Day is an important event held every year where we have the opportunity to showcase our industry. CNLA leaders and the CNLA lobbying team, The Kowalski Group, spent last Wednesday at the state capitol meeting with legislators. Thank you for representing our industry.



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UConn Dean & Director of the College of Ag
Gregory Weidemann, CNLA Legislative
Chair Kevin Sullivan, and lobbyist Linda
Kowalski take a moment for a photo with
Rep. Craig Miner.

Photo Credit: The Kowalski Group



CNLA Legislative Chair Kevin
Sullivan and lobbyist Linda
Kowalski speak about industry
issues with Senator Gomes.

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CNLA at CT Flower & Garden Show

Thank you to the volunteers for all of their hard work in
putting together the CNLA display at this year's CT Flower
& Garden show.

Bob St. Jacques, CNLA
Bob Blundon, CNLA
David Gindek, CNLA
Dan Guilmartin, Four Seasons Landscaping
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Gisella Weissbach-Litch

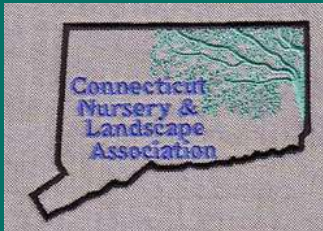
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CNLA Board Members, Bob St. Jacques and Bob Blundon, are working to revive a committee specifically geared towards landscape contractors. The committee will be putting together educational courses and "get together(s)". They are planning on putting together a "focus group" in the next few weeks of about 25 landscapers to see what they need from CNLA.

If interested in getting involved please email [Bob St. Jacques](#), [Bob Blundon](#) or the [CNLA Executive Office](#). We are also looking for general ideas for education and training.

The Experiment Station Associates Annual Meeting

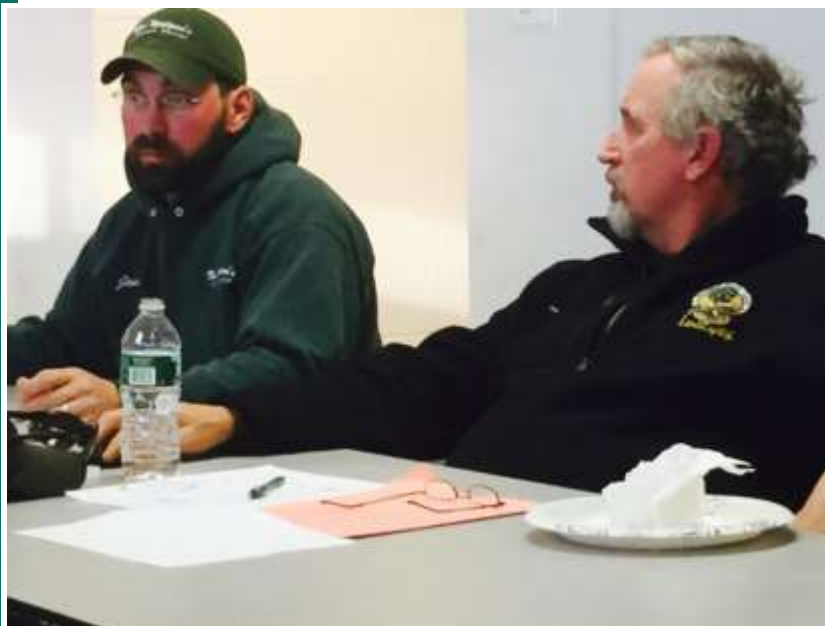
The Annual Meeting of The Experiment Station Associates will be held on Wednesday, April 8, at 7 pm, in the Jones Auditorium at The CT Agricultural Experiment Station (CAES) in New Haven.

Dr. Theodore G. Andreadis, director of CAES, will give an update on The Experiment Station's activities and introduce new scientists. Dr. Joseph Pignatello, head of CAES' Dept. of Environmental Sciences, will speak about "Biochar: It's Potential Uses and CAES Research." The event, which includes refreshments, is free and open to the public.

[Directions to the Jones Auditorium](#)

The CNLA Board is Hard at Work

Below, Vice President Jason Scire, discussing new improvements to the CANP course to be held this coming Fall.



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Get Out Your Calendars! Upcoming Industry Events

- [PLANET's Day of Service](#) - Wednesday, April 22, 2015
- CNLA 2015 Summer Field Day - Bartlett Arboretum & Gardens ~ Stamford, CT, July 15, 2015. More information to come!
- CNF hosts Past CNLA Presidents Reception - Saturday, August 29th 3pm-7pm at Chamard Vineyard in Clinton, CT. More information to follow.
- CNF Annual Golf Outing -Tuesday, September 22 at Lyman Orchards Golf Club, Middlebury, CT. 8AM Tee Time. More information to follow.

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