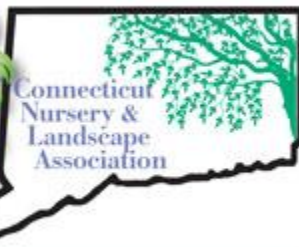


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A Message from CNLA's President

Dear Members:

Since Bob's retirement in November 2013, the entire CNLA Board has engaged in an intensive and exhausting interview process to supply to our membership a professional and innovative Executive Secretary. I am excited to share that the CNLA Board has made a unanimous decision for our professional organization to move forward.

We are both pleased and excited that the Board of Directors of the Connecticut Nursery & Landscape Association has retained S & S Management Services as its new association management firm effective August 1, 2014.

S & S Management Services currently serves as the Executive Office for many state and national trade and professional associations. Mark Schuman, President at S & S, will serve as our Executive Director and will be

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assisted by Alyssa Ruddy. Mark, Alyssa and others at S & S Management will be familiar with all aspects of CNLA activities.

I would like to thank Judy Falcon for her efforts in her services to CNLA. In addition, I would like to recognize the professional and dedicated services by Linda Kowalski and her team for serving as our Executive Office during this transition.

I encourage you to reach out and welcome our new team members aboard and feel free to have them answer any questions you might have. You can reach them at MSchuman@ssmgt.com and ARuddy@ssmgt.com.

We will be sending you more information in the coming weeks. In the interim, please join me in welcoming Mark, Alyssa and the S&S Team to CNLA.

Sincerely,

Kevin Sullivan
President



Top: Alyssa Ruddy and Mary Yokose Bottom: Kevin Sullivan and Mark Schuman

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If you have not renewed your CNLA membership for 2014-2015, click on the link below and take a minute to complete the attached invoice and send in your form to pay your dues. CNLA is working for you and the new website highlights some of the many benefits of CNLA membership.

[CNLA Dues Statement](#)

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Registration for CANP is still open. [Click Here](#) to register today! Classes begin August 19th at Southington High School. For more information on CANP please visit [CNLA's Website](#) or call the office at 800-562-0610.

Members in the News:



Plant Science Day was held on August 6th, 2014 by The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station. Many thanks to Lockwood Farm in Hamden, CT for hosting such a successful event. CNLA President, Kevin Sullivan, was in attendance along with Governor Malloy, The Speaker of the House, and The Commissioner of Agriculture. "It was an eventful and exciting day," says Kevin.

[Click Here](#) for more information on The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station.



As part of the **Summer Twilight Series**, members gathered on July 24th to listen to Dr. W. Michael Sullivan from University of Rhode Island speak about improving soil quality, productivity, and the impact on pesticide choice and mobility. A big thank you to Terry Mish at [Northern Nurseries](#) for being such a great host.

The last session of the Summer Twilight Series will be held on Thursday, August 21, 2014. It is still not too late to attend. Please see below for more information on the session and how to register.

Topic: Cover Crops: A Valuable IPM Tool for Nursery and Landscape Operations

Who: *Jesse Rodriques, The Rhode Island Nurseries, Middletown, RI*

Where: Kogut Nursery, 65 Yale Ave. Meriden, CT

When: 5:30-7:30 p.m.

There will be a Risk Management & Crop Insurance update at the start of the program. Refreshments will be provided by Kogut Nursery.

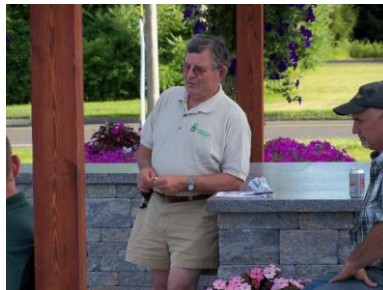
Take the opportunity to network with friends and customers, and learn about sustainable practices for the nursery & landscape professional. [Click here for directions to Kogut Nursery.](#)

Registration is requested to cover expenses and appropriately plan for set up. Registration fee is \$10.00 per event.

Advance registration is required. Check should be payable to: The University of Connecticut.
Please RSVP to Vickie Wallace, UConn Extension, 562 New London Turnpike, Norwich, CT 06360. For questions email Victoria.wallace@uconn.edu or call at (860)-885-2826.

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July 24th Summer Twilight Series Highlights





A Message from the CT Farm Energy Program



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We are changing up our normal schedule for workshops since we anticipate an unusual 2nd NOSA for REAP Grants with Rural Development the Fall of 2014. Who should attend?

Farms and Rural Small Businesses interested in doing an energy efficiency and/or renewable energy project with the assistance of a USDA REAP Grant.

How is this workshop different than our normal ones you ask? It's just the CT Farm Energy Program going over our services and the details of applying for a REAP grant along with a contractor presenting examples of projects done in Connecticut. The meeting will only be 1 hour in a round table setting, snacks provided and partner programs and service providers handouts will be made available. If you haven't sent us some in a while and want them handed out we are happy to do so.

Cost? Free! We do ask that everyone interested in attending please register.

Please see the [CT Farm Energy Flyer](#) for more information.

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