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### **PLANT SCIENCE DAY 2012 PRESENTED BY THE CONNECTICUT AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION**

**Date:** Wednesday, August 1, 2012  
**Time:** Doors open at 9:30 a.m.  
Program begins at 10:00 a.m.  
Event 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
**Where:** Lockwood Farm  
The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station  
890 Evergreen Avenue  
Hamden, CT 06518

**Hamden, CT**--The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station (CAES) invites you to attend the annual *Plant Science Day 2012*. This annual event is held at Lockwood Farm, our 75-acre research farm in Hamden, CT. It features a day of plant science open to the public. This event is free and open to all and takes place rain or shine. Among the highlights of the day are the Century Farm Award and the Samuel W. Johnson Memorial Lecture. The Farm Award is presented to a farm that has been in family operation for more than 100 years. This year's recipient will be announced on the day of the event. The Memorial Lecture, named for Professor Johnson, director of the Station from 1877 to 1900, was established as a forum to discuss issues of concern to Connecticut residents and the Station. This year's lecture, "The Connecticut Forest Products Industry: Reflections on the Past, Outlook for the Future," will be presented by Ms. Joan Nichols, Connecticut Certified Forester & President of the Connecticut Professional Timber Producers Association, Inc. Additional short presentations by CAES scientists include "Honey Bees and Pesticides: Recent Research on Toxicity and Routes of Exposure," "New Disease Threats for our Trees," "Biological Control of Mile-A-Minute Weed," and "Running Bamboo (*Phyllostachus* spp.) in Connecticut." Technical demonstrations include "Pruning Ornamental Shrubs" and "Mulching Basics." Plant Science Day offers many opportunities for attendees to discuss plant science topics on an informal basis with CAES scientists at their research plots. Barn Displays will highlight the Station's current research programs. There will be opportunities to visit over 60 field plots and exhibits, as well as participate in walking and riding tours and activities for children, such as the "Passport for Kids." Experts will be available to answer questions on plant identification and disease diagnosis, soil testing, and weed and insect identification.

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Media are also invited for on-site interviews with CAES scientists about their research projects and other services and programs at The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station.

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