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### **PLANT SCIENCE DAY 2014 PRESENTED BY THE CONNECTICUT AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION**

**Date:** Wednesday, August 6, 2014  
**Time:** Gates open at 9:30 a.m.  
Program begins at 10:00 a.m.  
Event 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 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 *Plant Science Day 2014*. This annual event is held at Lockwood Farm, the Station's 75-acre research farm located in Hamden, CT. It features a day of scientific inquiry, discovery, and updates on research advances in agriculture, food safety, the environment and public health. The event is free, open to the public and takes place rain or shine. Among the highlights of the day are the Century Farm Award, the Samuel W. Johnson Memorial Lecture, and a visit from Governor Dannel P. Malloy, President of the Experiment Station's Board of Control, who is scheduled to speak late morning. The Century Farm Award is presented to a farm that has been in family operation for more than 100 years. This year's award will go to Holdridge Farm Nursery in Ledyard, CT. 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, "*Climate Change and Agriculture: No Longer Business as Usual*" will be presented by Dr. Mike Hoffmann, Director, Cornell University Agricultural Experiment Station, Associate Dean, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, and Professor, Department of Entomology, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY. Additional oral presentations by CAES scientists will include "*Managing the Roadside Forest: Balancing Aesthetics and Utility Reliability*," "*Nanoparticles in Agriculture*," and "*Honey Bees and Bumble Bees-Their Problems, and What You Can Do to Help*". This year's technical demonstrations are "*Compost: How to Make and Use in Your Garden*" and "*Common Garden Weeds*." Plant Science Day offers many opportunities for attendees to discuss science topics on an informal basis with CAES scientists at their research plots. Poster displays in the main barn will highlight several of the Station's current research programs. There will

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be opportunities to visit over 90 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.

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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