

THE SAMUEL W. JOHNSON LECTURE • PRESENTATIONS ON RESEARCH • BARN EXHIBITS • PESTICIDE CREDITS FIELD EXPERIMENTS • TECHNICAL DEMONSTRATIONS • CENTURY FARM AWARD • PASSPORT FOR CHILDREN

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THE SAMUEL W. JOHNSON MEMORIAL LECTURE

The Positive Power of Plants: Frederick Law Olmsted in Connecticut

David K. Leff is an essayist, pushcart nominated poet and former deputy commissioner of the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection where his primary interests were open space preservation and protecting unusual natural habitats. His writing focuses on the intimate relationship of people to their built and natural environments. His nonfiction book, The Last Undiscovered Place was a Connecticut Book Award finalist and he is the author of three other nonfiction books, Deep Travel, Hidden in Plain Sight, and Maple Sugaring: Keeping it Real in New England. His poetry collections include The Price of Water, Depth of Field, and Tinker's Damn, and his novel in verse, Finding the Last Hungry Heart, is about the confluence of the present and the 1960s. Canoeing Maine's Legendary Allagash: Thoreau, Love, and Survival of the Wild, a memoir about a backcountry river trip, is due out in autumn 2016. His work has appeared in the Hartford Courant, The Wayfarer, Appalachia, Yankee, Connecticut Woodlands, Connecticut Coastal, Canoe & Kayak, The Encyclopedia of New England and elsewhere. His writing is available at www.davidkleff.com.

David is a trustee of Great Mountain Forest in Norfolk, Connecticut and serves on the Collections Steering Committee of the Connecticut Historical Society. He has served on the boards of the Riverwood Poetry Series, Connecticut Forest and Park Association, the Connecticut Maple Syrup Producers Association and Audubon Connecticut. He has taught nature poetry at the famed Sunken Garden Poetry Festival, Mark Twain House and Museum in Hartford. David has been a contest judge for the Connecticut Poetry Society and given poetry readings at venues throughout the state. He has also lectured on environmental and historical topics, and the craft of writing. David is the town meeting moderator and town historian in his hometown of Canton, Connecticut where he has also served 26 years as a volunteer firefighter and in other civic activities. He is a 1978 UConn law school graduate.



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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3rd

Gates open at 9:30 a.m.

Program begins at 10:00 a.m. • Event 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

No pets, please. Service animals only. Rain or Shine Free Admission

10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. **PAVILION** MORNING GREETING AND OPENING REMARKS

Dr. Theodore G. Andreadis, Director, The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station

10:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. **PAVILION**

Dr. Philip M. Armstrong, Virologist/Medical Entomologist, Center for Vector Biology & Zoonotic Diseases, Department of Environmental Sciences Mosquitoes and Zika Virus: Assessing the Threat

10:15 a.m. - 10:35 a.m. TECHNICAL DEMONSTRATION TENT

(20 minute demonstration, repeated twice during the day, 10:15 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.) Dr. Jatinder S. Aulakh, Assistant Weed Scientist, Valley Laboratory, Windsor Know Your Weeds-Identification and Control

10:40 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. TECHNICAL DEMONSTRATION TENT

(20 minute demonstration, repeated twice during the day, 10:40 a.m. & 3:00 p.m.) Dr. Kimberly A. Stoner, Entomologist, Department of Entomology Planting for the Bees' Needs

10:45 a.m. - 11:05 a.m. **PAVILION** CENTURY FARM AWARD

Norman Hill Farm, Thompson, Connecticut

11:05 a.m. – 11:10 a.m. **PAVILION** EXPERIMENT STATION ASSOCIATES

Ms. Anne Rowlands, President, Experiment Station Associates

11:10 a.m. - 12:00 noon **PAVILION** THE SAMUEL W. JOHNSON MEMORIAL LECTURE David K. Leff

Essayist; Environmentalist; Former Deputy Commissioner, Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection

The Positive Power of Plants: Frederick Law Olmsted in Connecticut

1:15 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

PAVILION

Dr. Katja Maurer, Agricultural Post-Doctoral Scientist, Valley Laboratory, Windsor

Hops: A Specialty Crop for Connecticut

1:45 p.m. - 2:15 p.m. **PAVILION**

Dr. Adriana L. Arango-Velez, Tree Physiologist, Department of Forestry and Horticulture

Climate Change and Invasive Pests and Pathogens

2:15 p.m. **PAVILION**

Adjourn Main Talks

TECHNICAL DEMONSTRATION TENT 2:30 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.

(20 minute demonstration, repeated twice during the day, 10:15 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.) Dr. Jatinder S. Aulakh, Assistant Weed Scientist, Valley Laboratory, Windsor Know Your Weeds-Identification and Control

3:00 p.m. - 3:20 p.m. TECHNICAL DEMONSTRATION TENT

(20 minute demonstration, repeated twice during the day, 10:40 a.m. & 3:00 p.m.) Dr. Kimberly A. Stoner, Entomologist, Department of Entomology Planting for the Bees' Needs

TECHNICAL DEMONSTRATION TENT 3:20 p.m.

Adjourn Technical Demonstrations

PESTICIDE CREDIT TOUR (Meet at Barn A)

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

For those requesting pesticide credits; attendees sign-up before 10:00 a.m. at the Registration Desk (R)

TOUR OF NATIVE WOODY SHRUBS (PLOT 38)

1:00 p.m.-1:30 p.m.

MEET AT THE WOOD ARBOR OF THE NATIVE WOODY SHRUBS Dr. Jeffrey S. Ward, Station Forester and Head, Department of Forestry and Horticulture

LOCKWOOD FARM WALKING TOUR

2:35 p.m. - 3:35 p.m. MEET AT REGISTRATION DESK (R):

Dr. Robert E. Marra, Forest Pathologist, Department of Plant Pathology and Ecology

BUS TOUR EVERY HALF HOUR around the farm from, 10:15 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

EVERY HALF HOUR This is a great way to see the farm. Join us on an air conditioned bus ride around the farm approximately 30 minutes. You can be dropped off at any plot, and be picked up the next time the bus comes around.

BARN EXHIBITS (BARN B)

- · Integrated Tick Management
- Biological Control of Fire Blight
- · Ensuring the Safety of Connecticut's Food Supply
- Neonicotinoid Exposure of Honey Bees
- · Microbiology in Agriculture, the Environment, and Public Health

ANSWERS TO YOUR **QUESTIONS**

(Plot 20)

Staff members answer your questions on identification of insects, plant disorders, soils and their management, and other problems of growers and gardeners.

KIDS' KORNER (Plot 25) Come to the Kids' Korner to pick up your child's

passport and gift. SELF-GUIDED ACTIVITY

(Plot 26)

For all children including Girl Scouts.









