INVASIVE PLANT SYMPOSIUM

Presented by the Connecticut Invasive Plant Working Group (CIPWG)

University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT Wednesday, October 1, 2008

Cherish Our Natural Heritage: Managing Invasives to Promote Native Diversity

ALL WHO ARE INTERESTED IN INVASIVE PLANT ISSUES ARE INVITED to this symposium (8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.) at the University of Connecticut, Storrs. The symposium celebrates the wonderful native plants, animals, and ecosystems of Connecticut, describes threats posed by invasive species, and provides tools for managing invasive plants. All interested people, including municipal staff (inland wetlands/conservation commissions, parks and recreation, public works), nursery, tree and landscape professionals, educators, gardening enthusiasts, state and federal employees, and members of conservation organizations are encouraged to attend.

The Keynote Address, "A Case for Native Plants," will be given by Doug Tallamy, Professor and Chair of the University of Delaware Department of Entomology and Wildlife Ecology, and author of Bringing Nature Home: How Native Plants Sustain Wildlife in Our Gardens.

Additional morning presentations will highlight new invasive plants, legislative updates, and weed management areas. Throughout the day a **poster session** and other **educational exhibits** will be featured.

Afternoon topics are:

- Organic Control
- Connecticut's Invaded Woodlands
- Aquatic Invasive PlantsInvasive Plant Management Projects
- Understanding/Managing Native Grassland Habitats
- Non-Plant Invaders



CONTINUING EDUCATION: Pesticide Recertification Credits and a variety of other continuing education credits will be offered (see website).

REGISTRATION includes parking and sustainable food:

\$40 if postmarked by September 10; Students \$25 - bring ID late registration \$55 (postmarked by September 24)

Visit the website to see if there is room for walk-ins (lunch not guaranteed).

This symposium is funded in part by the CT Department of Environmental Protection.

Full program and registration information are available on the CIPWG website: www.hort.uconn.edu/cipwg or call (860) 486-6448 for more information