About the Connecticut College Arboretum ...

The Connecticut College Arboretum, located in New London, is a diverse 750 acres which includes the landscaped grounds of the campus as well as the surrounding plant collections, natural areas, and managed landscapes. It is open to the public every day from dawn to dusk, and on Sunday afternoons from May to October, free public guided tours of the various collections are conducted. It also serves the surrounding communities by offering educational opportunities for all ages in environmental awareness, horticulture, botany, and other topics of interest in the natural world. Visit our website to learn more about us.

About SALT ...

Smaller American Lawns Today is a movement originating at Connecticut College and conceived by the late Dr. William Niering, internationally renowned environmentalist and botany professor at Connecticut College. It is aimed at reversing the lawn mania in America by restoring home grounds to more harmonious productive ecologically sound naturalistic landscapes. SALT promotes the practice of designing environmentally sound lawns that encourage biodiversity.

Ask us about Wild Ones. The Mountain Laurel Chapter of Wild Ones is the first chapter of Wild Ones in Connecticut and meets the first Saturday of each month at Connecticut College. Wild Ones promotes naturalistic landscaping and the use of native plants.

DIRECTIONS

FROM I-95 NORTHBOUND: Exit 83, left at light at end of ramp onto Williams Street. Right onto Route 32 North at first traffic light. Left into the college main entrance at second traffic light.

FROM I-95 SOUTHBOUND: Exit 84N at end of Goldstar Bridge (over Thames River) which becomes Route 32 North. Turn left at second traffic light into main college entrance.

FROM I-395 SOUTHBOUND: Left Exit 78 onto connector to Route 32 South. College entrance about 2.5 miles south. Right at traffic light into main college entrance.

"Garden making, like gardening itself, concerns the relationship of the human being to his natural surroundings.

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"Naturally Beautiful"

A SALT*

Seminar for Homeowners
("Smaller American Lawns Today)

Saturday, November 1, 2008
Blaustein Humanities Center, Room 210
9:00 AM to 3:30 PM

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Naturally Beautiful . . . There is beauty in biodiversity!

Such natural beauty can abound in your own yard by learning a few tips on how to achieve it. In this exceptional SALT seminar, learn tips not only how to help you cut back on the size of your yard, but also to have a beautiful, sustainable, and friendly home grounds as well. Once established, you will never want to go back to a boring, monocultural lawn.

What role can moss play in your garden? Are you aware that mosses come not only in all shades of green, but also in ochre, dusky blue, burgundy, and black? There is even a moss that glows in the dark! In her presentation "Gardening with Mosses," Christine Cook APLD will provide you with a wide range of ideas on how to use moss in your landscape, and will discuss issues relating to site specificity, identifying your landscapes' salient features, and character determination. Christine is an artist, lecturer, and landscape designer whose company Mosses specializes in moss garden design, wildlife habitat restoration, and re-matching gardens. Christine has a BFA from the Maryland Institute College of Art and certificates in Gardening, Commercial Horticulture, and Landscape Design from New York Botanical Garden. She is certified by the Association of Professional Landscape Designers and accredited by the Northeast Organic Farming Association.

In his lecture "Gardening: Cultivating an Enduring Relationship with Nature", Dr. Carl Salsedo will show how a person connects to nature through the activity of gardening and why gardening is such a compelling activity. He will show how landscape sustainability is not only important from a carbon standpoint, but also how it directly benefits the gardener and the environment. He will give examples from his own home ground. Carl is Cooperative Extension Educator of Sustainable and Environmental Horticulture, University of Connecticut, and throughout his career has worked with nursery, greenhouse, garden center, and landscaping industries, as well as with the Master Gardener program. Currently he is involved with developing sustainable landscaping programs and educational publications as part of the Water Quality Team in the Department of Extension. Dr. Salseda holds degrees in botany, biology, and environmental studies, and has lectured regionally, nationally, and internationally. He is the author of numerous publications.

In this presentation “The Bird-Friendly Garden,” Dr. Stephen Kress, ornithologist and author, will show you how to work hand in hand with nature to create a bird-friendly environment in your yard, whatever the size, style, or location of your garden. He believes that if we start paying attention to our backyards as bird habitats, planting and managing these areas with nature in mind, we can provide major benefits for wildlife. Kress is Vice President for Bird Conservation for the National Audubon Society, and in his capacity as Director of the Seabird Restoration Program, has restored puffins and other rare and endangered seabirds to islands on the Maine coast and numerous other locations worldwide. He is author of many books, his latest being The Audubon Society Guide to Attracting Birds, 2nd edition which was published by Cornell University Press. It will be for sale at the conference, and he will be available for book signing. Steve received his undergraduate and Master's degrees in Wildlife Management from Ohio State University and his Ph.D. in Environmental Education from Cornell.

In her presentation "Eliminate Your Lawn—Plant a Border!," Nancy DuBrulle-Clemente, owner of Natureworks Horticultural Services, will show you how to shrink the size of your lawn, by planting a border. You will learn how to plan and plant a beautiful mixed border of easy care shrubs, ornamental grasses, and low maintenance perennials that will encourage diversity, be a home for wildlife, and add color and beauty to your yard in all four seasons. Natureworks is an organic garden center, landscape design, consultation, installation, and maintenance service in Northfield which was started in 1983. Nancy graduated from Radcliffe Fickles School of the University of Connecticut with a degree in Floriculture, and is a former board member and past president of NOFA/CT. She is co-author of A Country Garden for your Backyard, published in 1995 by Rodale Press, and is author of Succession of Bloom in the Perennial Garden, self-published in 2004.

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Registration Fee
Arboretum/Wild Ones Members . . . $58
General Public . . . $68
Pre-registration is required.
The registration fee covers pre-seminar coffee, a.m. & p.m. breaks, and buffet lunch

Please mail registration form with payment at least one week before program date. Make checks payable to the "Connecticut College Arboretum".

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The Day will include:
* Slide presentations and lectures
* Buffet lunch
* Book-buying and book-signing opportunities
* An opportunity to chat with the speakers

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