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A Message from our New President, Dana Kuhlmann...



Hello and welcome to 2020! I hope everyone had a joyous and festive Holiday season.

For those of you that don't know me, please allow me to introduce myself. My name is Dana Kuhlmann, and I will be the next President of PLANTCNY. I reside in Baldwinsville, NY and have lived there since 1991. I've been married to my wife, Annette for 29 years. We have 4 children. I have been part of the landscaping industry in Central New York for a brief, but very interesting, 7 years. Before that, I spent many years in the car business. 17 years in fact at a dealership that was owned by my wife's Grandfather. The business closed in 2009. Through life's often curious twists and turns, I ended up getting my commercial drivers license, answered a want ad and 7 years later, here I am.

Unlike most of you, I never once stuck a spade into the soil to make a buck. I am not educated or experienced in any way, shape, or form when it comes to landscaping. What I do have is the utmost appreciation and respect to the hard work and dedication that each of you plies to your chosen craft. The craftsmanship in landscaping and hardscapes that I have seen in and around Central New York is truly outstanding. Each of you should take a second and pat yourself on the back for making the homes and businesses around Central New York as nice as anywhere in the country.

Now, back to the business at hand. If you haven't signed up yet for our 2020 PLANTCNY Education Day and Trade Show, don't wait. Time is running out. Let's make this year's event one of the most well attended. I challenge each of you to help make that happen.

As we move forward in 2020, we know the challenges that lie ahead. There is no other way to say to you that we need more members. We need them now more than ever. I ask each of you to make a commitment for this year to sign up one new member. We all know that membership is key to the success of this organization. Talk about our organization and what it's meant to you and done for you. Many of you have great stories about days past. Share them. Share what you think is great about being a member of PLANTCNY and let's grow our membership!

In closing, I'd like to personally thank both Beth Fry and Dale Tuttle for their steadfast support and un-ending dedication to PLANTCNY. We all know how much they both mean to this group and we all owe them a debt of gratitude for what they do. Thank you.

Hope to see all of you at the Trade Show and Education Day!

Sincerely,

Dana

Dana Kuhlmann, 2020 PLANTCNY President



Minutes of January Meeting
Hosted by Milton CAT
January 9, 2020

Attendees: Beth Fry, Green Scapes Inc.; Mike Gorham, Bartlett Tree Experts; Jason Pieklik, Bartlett Tree Experts; Michael Grimm, Michael Grimm Services, Inc; Pam Wildridge, Cayuga Community College & OCM BOCES; Greg Michael, Onondaga Earth Corp.; Megdad Ali, Onondaga Earth Corp; Gerry Rubenstein and Brandon Dummitt, Lawn-A-Mat; Scott Schaal, Hunter Springs Landscape;. Julie Liebmann, Mrs. Green Jeans Landscaping; James Jacobs, Jacobs Property Management; Steve Earle, Milton CAT; Carl Stickels, Milton CAT; Rick Simon, Sitech Northeast

Welcome by Beth Fry and a thank you to Milton CAT for hosting.

Steve Earle welcomed everyone in attendance and showed a short video on all that Milton CAT does. He explained that while we think of them as just equipment for our purposes, pretty much everything we do every day a piece of CAT equipment probably had something to do with its production. From Dairy equipment to the roads we drive on to the tables and chairs we were sitting in, CAT was part of that. There were a couple of pieces of equipment for people to view after the meeting; these have the latest NexGen Technology , better fuel efficiency and more power.

Membership: Beth Fry- We presented new member Christin Chandler; her business is Christin Chandler Designs in Auburn NY. She was accepted as a new member.

Beth presented the new slate of officers, they were voted on and approved as follows:

Dana Kuhlmann-President

James Burt –Vice President/Treasurer

Christin Chandler- Secretary

Dale Tuttle - Immediate Past President

Beth Fry –Director at Large

State Association Report: Beth Fry- The owners/leaders summit held in the Catskills was a success. There were around 18 people in attendance and it was a very nice mix of people from across the state. Great discussions were held. At our last Board meeting it was discussed and the board is taking a serious look at restructuring to better focus on members' needs and change with the times. Associations are trying to adapt to new business models.

Certification: Beth Fry for Dannielle Carr - The dates and times for the review sessions have been set up, check with me if you need the times. Linda will be emailing out the review session times in the morning. If anyone is interested in helping out on this committee, contact Dannielle or Beth. If you are not sure of your CNLP status, check in with Dannielle or Beth.

Environmental: Gerry Rubenstein- Gerry provided updates on Turf Lobby Day which will be February 26; NYSTA show is at Turning Stone February 13, 2020; Cornell University update on Termitecide; there is a DEC survey on the NYCRR Part 575 Updates questionnaire and would like input by January 15, 2020. Gerry also discussed that NYS Minimum wage and salary changes are happening this year so take a look at the new chart. Salary History will also not be allowed to be asked on applications when hiring.

Nomination: Beth Fry - We are still looking for new Board members; contact Beth Fry, Dannielle Carr or Lisa Ballantyne if you are interested in being on the board and for more information.

Promotions: Beth Fry - Dave Iannuzzi is working on setting up Pitch nights and Crunch Hockey nights so look for those in the Scoop or give Dave a call for more information.

Scholarship: Julie Liebman n- We will have the Silent Auction at the Trade show; this raises money for the Scholarship fund. We are seeking items for the auction so let Julie, Linda or Beth know if you would like to donate an item.

Trade Show and Education Day: Beth - Save the date - February 12, 2020 at the Lodge at Welch Allyn. The schedule is finalized and we received 6 DEC credits; we will be submitting to ISA next and will send the complete schedule with credits out shortly.

New Business: Discussion was held on the State of the Association, both at the regional level and the state level. We discussed people's thoughts and opinions on what direction the association might consider going in. We discussed the education opportunities available, advocacy and the CNLP program. These thoughts and discussion will be shared with the NYSNLA Executive Board as it looks at possible restructuring to better provide for its membership.

Old Business:

Thank you to everyone that had a Toys for Ted collection box at their business and to everyone that donated toys at the holiday lunch. We were able to donate \$500 cash and another truckload of toys in Ted's name to the Marine Corps Toys for Tots program.

PLANT CNY gear is available to order through J.C. Smith; Beth has order forms if anyone is interested.

Submitted by Beth Fry, Director at Large



The CNYSNLA Scholarship Program

*The first of our two 2020 Scholarships, the **Bob Case Scholarship Award**, will be given out at the Summer Clambake in July. You can obtain a **Scholarship Application** for this year's awards by visiting our website at www.plantcny.com. If you have any questions, please contact Julie Liebmann, Scholarship Chair, at 492-1100, or rockinghorse1257@aol.com.*

AND -- we are still looking for donations for the **Silent Auction** at the Trade Show! The donation form is attached - please consider donating to benefit our Scholarship Program!



The 2020 Trade Show and Education Day -- less than TWO WEEKS away!

Thanks to all who have registered to attend our Trade Show and Education Day, which will take place on **Wednesday, February 12th**, at The Lodge at Welch Allyn! For those of you who haven't yet registered, the **Attendee Registration Form** is attached with this Scoop, along with the **Schedule** for the day. Lots of great speakers again this year, along with DEC credits, ISA credits, CNLP credits, vendor displays, delicious food, and a chance to network with your friends in the industry!

There's still time to sign up! Again, that's February 12th, at The Lodge -- hoping to see you there!

CNLP Program

Shared with us by Dannielle Carr...

Certification Renewal

Need to renew your certification? There's still time... the grace period is still in effect, so submit your recertification application and fee to NYSNLA with a list of your accrued credits. Contact your Region 4 representative, below, to confirm the status of your CNLP 3-year certification period.

2020 CNLP Exam & Reviews

It's not too late to register for the 2020 CNLP exam. Contact the Region 4 representative ASAP if you'd like to participate in review sessions. New candidate application forms may be found on the NYSNLA website: https://nysnla.com/images/Education/CNLP/CNLP_New_Candidate_Application_fillable.pdf

The application form and payment must be submitted to NYSNLA to receive a CNLP manual and to become registered for the exam.

CNLP review schedule:

Session 1 – Thursday, January 23

Session 2 – Thursday, January 30, 6:30pm-8:00pm

Community Library of DeWitt & Jamesville, Meeting Room B (Main level)

Session 3 – Thursday, February 6, 6:00pm-8:00pm

Community Library of DeWitt & Jamesville, Meeting Room C (Lower level)

Session 4 – Thursday, February 13, Time & Location: TBD

Session 5 – Thursday, February 20, Time & Location: TBD

Session 6 – Thursday, February 27, Time & Location: TBD

Session 7 – Thursday, March 5, Time & Location: TBD

Note: The review schedule is subject to change.

Student CNLP program

Aida Khalil, Professor with the Horticulture Department at Morrisville College will lead reviews for student CNLP candidates. Their spring semester started at the end of January. The student exam will be scheduled for the end of the semester, proctored by the Region 4 CNLP committee.

Questions or for more information, contact:

Region 4 CNLP Committee Chair - Dannielle Carr, email: dcarr@edrdpc.com, telephone: 315-471-0688, extension 640.

To the members of PLANT CNY,

We are saddened to share with you the following obituary for Nancy, mother of **Dale Tuttle**. Anyone wishing to send their condolences to Dale can send them to Dale Tuttle, 81 Coolidge Road, North Syracuse NY, 13212.

In her memory, the family asks that you consider a donation to the Neurological Unit of Buffalo Mercy Hospital. Donations can be sent to: Mercy Hospital Foundation, Neurology/ Stroke Services, 565 Abbott Rd., Buffalo, NY 14220.

Let us keep Dale and his family in our thoughts and prayers as they grieve their loss.

Thank you,
Beth Fry
PLANT CNY- Bereavement Chair



Nancy Louise Tuttle (nee Moritz) Died January 29, 2020, peacefully, with her family at her side. Nancy was born on June 1, 1937 in West Seneca, NY, and lived much of her life in Springville, NY. Nancy was predeceased by her parents, Paul and Janet Moritz, and her husband of 60 years, Alexander Tuttle. Nancy was a devoted homemaker, wife and mother who was responsible for taking care of several elderly relatives and friends. Nancy is survived by her children, Mark (Debbie), Lynn (Pete) Sarratori, Paul (Anne), Dale, and Tracy (Dave) Seiwert; grandchildren, Craig, Alexandria, Nicole, Nicholas, and Ryan; great-grandchildren, Skylar, Rylan, Piper, and Ashley; and sister, Ellen Jackson.

The family would like to thank the staff of Buffalo Mercy Hospital 5 N/C Unit, especially Dr. Stephen Dofitas and RN Kristin Schalk, for the exceptional care. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you consider a donation to the Neurological Unit of Buffalo Mercy Hospital. Donations can be sent to: Mercy Hospital Foundation, Neurology/ Stroke Services, 565 Abbott Rd., Buffalo, NY 14220. There will be a private cemetery service.



Please consider supporting our neighboring regions at their upcoming events!



The Professional Landscape & Nursery Trade

PLANT WNY – CNLP and Horticulture 101 Day and Trade Show & Education Conference

CNLP Day – Thursday, February 6, 2020

Horticulture 101 – Thursday, February 6, 2020

Membership Meeting – Thursday, February 6, 2020 at 6pm

Trade Show and Education Conference – Friday, February 7, 2020

[Salvatore's Italian Gardens Restaurant](#) 6461 Transit Rd Depew, NY 14043

<https://www.plantwny.com/index.php/education/625-plant-wny-trade-show-education-conference-2020-february-6-7-salvatore-s-italian-gardens>



The Professional Landscape & Nursery Trades
Genesee-Finger Lakes Region #5

PLANT GFLX - Education Day 2020

When: Tuesday, February 11, 2020

Where: Double Tree Hotel 1111 Jefferson Road, Rochester NY 14623

Information and to register: plantgflx.com/education-day/



The Professional Landscape & Nursery Trade

PLANT STNY- EVENTS

Foreman/Team Leader Training Day

When: Wednesday, February 26th

Cost: \$40

Available Credits: **CNLP Credits - 6.5**

February Membership Meeting to follow 5pm - 6pm

To register click [HERE](#) OR Link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/crew-leadership-training-tickets-90490422289>

DEC Education Day

When: Wednesday,

Cost: \$40 members/\$50 non-members

Available Credits:

DEC Credits - (1) Core, (4) 3A, (1) 3B

CNLP Credits - 5

To Register click [HERE](#) OR Link: <http://tioga.cce.cornell.edu/events/2020/03/04/plant-stny-dec-credits-day>



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2020 MEETING SCHEDULE

MEETINGS ARE HELD ON THE 2ND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH, AT 5:30 P.M. (UNLESS SPECIFIED)

<i>January 9</i>	Milton CAT
<i>February</i>	NO MEETING
<i>March</i>	OPEN
<i>April</i>	Clifton Recycling (Cicero location)
<i>May</i>	Northern Nurseries (one week earlier than usual)
<i>June</i>	NO MEETING
<i>July</i>	Clambake at Spinning Wheel
<i>August</i>	OPEN
<i>September</i>	OPEN
<i>October</i>	OPEN
<i>November</i>	OPEN
<i>December</i>	HOLIDAY LUNCHEON