

## **Tales from the Field, September 23, 2016**

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Hello Everyone:

Hopefully, the upcoming cool weekend forecast will encourage fall weekend sales. With the warmer summer night temperatures, we are just starting to see some color on garden mums.

As you start your routine fall greenhouse maintenance, consider these tips on calibration and checking your fans for summer cooling for next year:

10 tips for better summer cooling by John Bartok, in Greenhouse Management magazine:

[http://www.greenhousemag.com/article/gm\\_0609\\_june09technology/](http://www.greenhousemag.com/article/gm_0609_june09technology/)

Here's a good article from Ontario Floriculture on how the hot and humid weather affected crops;

### **Summer School: Lessons learned from another hot, humid Ontario summer**

By Chevonne Carlow, Greenhouse Floriculture Specialist, OMAFRA

<https://onfloriculture.wordpress.com/2016/09/22/summer-school-lessons-learned-from-another-hot-humid-ontario-summer/>

### **Easter Lily Schedule Now Online**

Easter falls on April 16 in 2017, a late Easter date. Just as in the late seasons of 2014 (April 20), the 2017 schedule provides plenty of time for proper bulb programming as well as some extra time that growers will need to factor into their spring production plans.



For more see: <http://ipm.uconn.edu/documents/view.php?id=1040>

## **Upcoming Programs for You**

## **Northeast Greenhouse Conference and Expo**

**November 9 & 10, 2016**

Holiday Inn, Boxborough, MA

Growers always value hands-on training sessions to learn the tools they need to be successful in today's competitive environment.

Come participate in the following hands on training sessions to be held at this year's conference:

- ***Monitoring the Greenhouse Environment***, Chris Currey, Iowa State University - Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 - 9:50 am.  
Come learn about some of the tools you can use to measure and monitor light and temperature to successfully grow your crops.
- ***Monitoring Growing Media: pH and EC***, Rosa Raudales, University of Connecticut - Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup> 10:30 - 11:20 am.  
Come learn how to properly collect samples, how to measure pH and EC and how to interpret the results.
- ***How to Get the Most from Your Beneficial Insects***, Suzanne Wainwright –Evans, Buglady Consulting - Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup> from 1:30 to 2:20 pm.  
Get tips and recommendations on how to get the most out of your beneficial insects and mites so you have the most efficient program possible.

**Space is limited, so register early!**

*The Northeast Greenhouse Conference and Expo* is sponsored by the Extension programs of the six New England State Universities and New York State, and the New England Floriculture, Inc.

For more information on the Northeast Greenhouse Conference and Expo, visit the website, [www.negreenhouse.org](http://www.negreenhouse.org)