Nominations Requested for Mehrhoff Award

The Connecticut Invasive Plant Working Group (CIPWG) is requesting nominations for the Leslie J. Mehrhoff Award.

The award is given biennially by CIPWG in honor of Les Mehrhoff, a botanist, naturalist and co-founder of the group.

The nomination deadline is Saturday, Aug. 20, 2016. The award will be presented at the CIPWG Invasive Plant Symposium at UConn in Storrs, CT on Tuesday, Oct. 11, 2016.

The award recognizes a deserving individual, group or organization that has made significant or commendable contributions toward awareness, prevention, control, or management of invasive plants in Connecticut.

These contributions are broadly defined and could include (but are not limited to):

- · Innovative approaches or noteworthy efforts for invasive plant control
 - · Data collection or citizen science

involvement with invasive plants

- · Awareness of and advocacy for invasive plant issues
- · Efforts to further early detection of new invasives in Connecticut
- Efforts on behalf of invasive plant alternatives and natural biological diversity
- 'Nominees should also demonstrate an enthusiasm for biological diversity, the natural world, and/or Connecticut's natural heritage

Nomination Guidelines

Send the following information to the CIPWG 2016 Leslie J. Mehrhoff Award Selection Committee, c/o David Gumbart via email at dgumbart@tnc.org

- 1. Name of individual, group, or organization being nominated and their contact information.*
- 2. Nominator's name and contact information.
- 3. Short statement (250 words max.) on why the nominee should be considered for the award.

*Please note that the Selection Com-

mittee may wish to contact nominees for additional information.

If you have questions about the award process, you may contact David Gumbart at *dgumbart@tnc.org* or (203) 568-6290.

For more information on the symposium, go to cipwg.uconn.edu



Leslie J. Mehrhoff