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The Monthly Newsletter of the
San Diego County Flower & Plant Association

Water Management Certification Program

Now Available to All of California!

The California Landscape Contractors Association is pleased to announce that its Water Management Certification Program is now available to anyone in California. In February 2009, the California Landscape Contractors Association (CLCA) introduced its Water Management Certification Program at the 30th Annual Landscape Industry Show in Los Angeles at the Convention Center. CLCA's Water Management Certification Program was started in 2007 and helps meet the need to reduce landscape water usage by learning to work with advanced irrigation technology and a water budget. In some cases it also saves money, especially for those with tiered water pricing.

Despite recent rainfall, California is facing its third year of continuous drought and dangerously low reserves. With significant increases in population and reduced resources from previous years, our current water needs are exceeding our supply. On February 27, Governor Schwarzenegger declared a statewide emergency due to drought and directed state government agencies to implement an emergency plan. Like many cities throughout California Los Angeles Mayor Anthony Villaraigosa has called for mandatory water rationing and strict enforcement.

"In response to our state's dire water situation, we've decided to publicly announce that anyone in California who would like to learn water management may now enroll in CLCA's Water Management Certification Program," said Executive Director Sharon McGuire. "Landscape is an important place to emphasize responsible water usage because most people over water their landscapes by over 50%. Although our industry is quickly coming up to speed, we believe by allowing cities, counties, water districts, facility managers and others who would like to learn to enroll in the program, we can better help California quickly address our water crisis."

An important part of any community, landscaping positively alters the environment, reduces carbon emissions, improves air quality, protects the land, provides food, creates oxygen and sustains life. Plants and trees are also food and shelter for surrounding wildlife. Using water management

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President's Message

It is an interesting year just as predicted. One week you seem to be focused on cutbacks and dumping product and the next you don't have enough material to fill your orders. I know this business has always been unpredictable but we are definitely taking it to the extreme this year. On the positive side though I have heard that for as much as we were fretting the worst, most people I have talked to are still doing okay. They trimmed the fat early on to protect future losses and it has paid off by keeping things running well on a lean bases.

On top of a difficult economy, we have our water issue to add more drama. Growers are not just dumping product to help cash flow, they are trying to get rid of it before the water sanctions begin. I feel so bad for the outside Palm growers. Palms really got a bad name after the fires. It's sad because once the news media gets a hold of an issue like the combustibility of old fronds the damage that they have imprinted is sometimes irreversible. Look what they did to the non poisonous poinsettia that still to this day has to be defended. I took some to my veterinarian last Christmas and the lady at the front desk did not want to take them out of the sleeve because she was afraid that the animals might eat them and die. I couldn't believe that I had to explain that if an animal did bite one they would only LOOK like they were dying because the taste is so horrible, and the plant would not hurt them. In recollection I'm sure it was actually the chemical Temik that gave the plant the bad name. It really is amazing what the News media is capable of. When I watched a small local news station back in January doing a special on the water dilemmas for our county. They were defending the growers, and explaining where our water is REALLY being wasted. I was so impressed to see our local growers Donnie Dabbs, Chuck Badger and Don Durling explaining the grower's situation. I could not help but be infuriated by the fact that it was not picked up by the bigger stations to help educate the public. We consume so little in comparison to the average homeowner who likes to water his grass. I only hope that the upcoming reality of water rationing will motivate more people to seek the advise of experts and change out their lawn to drought tolerant landscaping. As the saying goes for every recourse there is a stabilizing factor. It just seems so frustrating that as powerful as the media can be they really need to research the facts before they pick their wars. No wonder more people rely on the internet for facts and realities.

Check out the www.flowerandplant.org site for ongoing information. We are still looking for someone to help us to bring an internet face book to the association. Please contact Jan Barry if you have any insights or advise.

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45th Annual Golf Tournament

We enjoyed another glorious day at the Twin Oaks Valley Golf Course for our 45th Annual Golf Tournament. The weather was picture perfect and the golfers enjoyed every minute of play time! Our first place winners our most generous Alaska Airline group, Dana Sorensen, his son Derek Sorensen and good friends Colby and Amy Hartje. Second place went to our charitable beverage cart sponsor Steve Clarke and Larry Garcia with Robert Mann Packaging, Gabe Gill with Dos Gringos and Jerry Verst with Orange County Container. Third place went to our own fun loving group from SunGro Horticulture Distribution, Inc. being Harold Funkhouser, C.J. Reed and Tom Littmann. Marty Farris with A-Roo Distributing of California, LLC was our grand prize winner for 2 round trip Alaska Airline tickets! Congratulations to Marty! Thank you to all our Sponsors Alaska Airlines, American AgCredit, Robert Mann Packaging, Farrand Enterprises, Grangetto's Farm & Garden Supply, Hidden Valley Pump, SunGro Horticulture Distributing, Inc. and Target Specialty Products.

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along with responsible ecological choices including sustainable landscaping, grasscycling, fire retardant plant choices and more, our state can not only save water, but help protect our environment and shape our future.

The shortage of water is not only a big problem in California but also worldwide. According to the United Nations, nearly two thirds of the world's population is expected to have limited access to water by 2025. The current water crisis remains one of the most difficult challenges to date and water availability is an important issue that impacts us all. So far, over 380 people are working towards the final completion of the performance part of the certification program - managing a water budget for a year. This program was made possible by the strong support of Ewing Irrigation Products, Toro Company, Hunter Industries, and Horizon Distributors Inc. who share a strong commitment to water conservation.

Tests and trainings are given throughout the state and schedules are updated regularly. The next scheduled test is June 4, in Sacramento, California. Tests can also be arranged based on demand. For current scheduled test times and dates please click on the link <http://www.clca.org/index.php?v=sgn2&p=7>. To enroll in the program or request more information, please contact David Silva at 916-830-2780 or davidsilva@clca.org.

President's Message

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The one thing that does make me feel better in such a difficult economy is that I know I am not alone in this industry. I have been so fortunate to know and meet so many of you. That right there brings an enormous relief knowing that we are all in the same boat and we have a better chance working together to protect our industry than by standing alone and worrying. As an association we can stay proactive as opposed to reactive.

Here is hoping you have a very productive Spring.

Happy growing

*Susan MacFarland
Valley View Nursery, Inc.*

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Floriculture & Nursery Farm Advisor

The Tipu Psyllid: A Question Answered

There is an interesting story in the North County times about a tree sitter in the city of Encinitas. Why is he sitting? The tree, a tipu tree, is about to be removed. The tree sitter claims that it is beautiful, provides shade at the park, offers other environmental benefits, and it's been on a California Registered Historical Landmark in Orpheus Park since the 1920's. Unfortunately, it blocks the view of the ocean for some condo owners. Some have said that they don't know why there is such a fuss about this particular tree because it's not a native tree. If you are not aware, there's been a campaign in Encinitas to remove plants that are not native, invasive or/and poisonous (see: Encinitas City forming battle strategy against invasive plants, by Ruth Marvin Webster, North County Times, Sunday, August 3, 2008).

Why is this story interesting to me? There is a new pest in the county, and it happens to be on the tipu tree, and this tree is at threat like any other. First, let me describe the tipu tree.

The tipu (tee-poo) tree, *Tipuana tipu* (Benth.) Kuntze (Fabaceae or Leguminosae the legume family or pea family), also known as the Pride of Bolivia, Rosewood, or the Yellow Jacaranda is a very popular drought hardy and frost hardy tree in the southern California

landscape, because its dense foliage provides large shady areas. The Tipu tree can be found in South Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay, Paraguay, and of course Bolivia. It is a small to large (12-120 ft) thornless tree with a bole reaching up to five feet in diameter. Leaves are compound and pinnate, and the flowers are golden yellow, grouped and about an inch in diameter. The seeds are winged and fly like a maple leaf seed but are much larger. The tree has been free of pests just like many other ornamental trees that are imported for our enjoyment. Eucalyptus comes to mind. Unfortunately, when a pest from the tree's native country arrives and there are no natural enemies present to hold it at bay, they will proliferate without control.

The Tipu Psyllid, *Platycorypha nigrivirga*, was found in San Diego County last fall, and it is a new pest record for California (http://cisr.ucr.edu/tipu_psyllid.html). The pest population has exploded this last spring and has become a significant nuisance pest, defoliating trees and causing spotting and discoloration of sidewalks and cars beneath. As I mentioned, there are no known natural controls at the moment with the exception of some generalist predators like the green lacewing or maybe some ladybugs.

There is little known about what control measures might be employed on well-established landscape plantings or what might be used in the nursery. For the nurseries, I would suggest visiting the UCIPM web site (<http://www.ipm.ucdavis.edu/PMG/PESTNOTES/pn7423.html>) and selecting psyllid labeled compounds. David Shaw (landscape-turf-irrigation management Farm Advisor) and I are conducting some preliminary trials against this pest in the landscape. Look for our results in future newsletters and publications.

For more information about the psyllid and some great photos by Gevork Arakelia, Senior Biologist, Los Angeles County, Department of Agricultural Senior Biologist Commissioner/Weights & Measures, see the following web sites:

http://cisr.ucr.edu/tipu_psyllid.html

www.cdffa.ca.gov/phpps/PPD/PDF/Platycorypha_nigrivirga.pdf

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Pest Advisor



June 4th, Nursery Greenhouse Seminar 2009 registration starts at 7:30 AM at the Windmill, off Palomar Airport Road and Interstate 5, in Carlsbad. This seminar offers eight hours of Continuing Education for Pest Control Advisors, Certified, Qualified, or Private Applicators. Growers are exempt from the continuing education 'thing' that California's Department of Pesticide Regulations requires for all its' licenses. But this seminar is designed with growers in mind. All the chemical manufactures will be in attendance, presenting their ideas on pest control. Education that challenges us to achieve the best, and perhaps least expensive, environmentally friendly pest control possible. Please see the attached agenda, and note the important topics expertly covered by qualified speakers.

The Nursery Greenhouse Seminar is not in competition with the events of Plant Tour Days and the California Grown Show. The Nursery Greenhouse Seminar is focused on growing the assume plants we grow in

California and the California Grown Show is for the buyers of the beauties produced. We need both. We must sell what we grow - it's what we do.

Speaking of events - there is another that is vital to many growers coming up June 17th. The Pesticide Safety Training for applicators. This yearly 4 hour class is offered by your association at a discounted price. Crop Production Service (CPS), known for years as Western Farm Service, donates not only my time, but the books and papers needed to satisfy the States hunger for paper work and documented training programs. Included this year; Cal OSHA Injury & Illness Prevention Program, WPS, Storm-water, Heat Stress, and Respirator Fit Testing along with training for all the chemicals used in your operation. We've moved the training location from Quail Botanical Gardens in Encinitas to the Center for Applied Horticultural Research at Altman's Plants in Vista. You should sign up early - it takes time to make all that paper work!

**David Pattison, PCA, CaCCA
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What's Growing On! Upcoming Association Events



June 4-5, 2009 Plant Tour Days, coming soon to the website the Buyer's Guide listing all Plant Tour Days participants. This is a great opportunity to visit the nurseries.

June 17, 2009 Pesticide Training and Respirator Fit Test at the Center for Applied Horticultural Research, 3742 Blue Bird Canyon Rd., Vista, CA 92084. Buena Creek and Tamara Lane location. This course is required by regulation to be done annually. Sign up now!

June 26, 2009 Annual Dinner at the El Camino Country Club, 3202 Vista Way, Oceanside, CA 92056. We will be doing the Installation of Officers for the San Diego County Flower & Plant Association, Honoring our Outstanding person of the year posthumously to Tom McGregor founder of McGregor Plant Sales and Awarding the Marilu Johnson Memorial Scholarship. This is a very big evening for the association, please join us.

July 21, 2009 Strategic Planning meeting at the El Camino Country Club, 3202 Vista Way, Oceanside, CA 92056

For more details contact Jan Berry at the Association at info@flowerandplant.org or (760) 431-2572

Growers Summit - June 2, 2009

On June 2, 2009 the Growers Summit Conference will be taking place at the Double Tree Hotel in Santa Ana featuring guest's speaker like A.G. Kawamura, Secretary of California Department of Food and Agriculture from Sacramento. Secretary Kawamura will set a high bar for the stat's vision of increasingly cooperative beneficial relations with nursery floriculture. Abel Maldonado, California State Senator and Vice Chair,

California Senate Food and Agriculture Committee from Sacramento. Senator Maldonado will stress the increasing importance the state places on nursery's role in public safety and food, fruit, and produce production for Californians, the U.S., and the world. George Soares, CANGC Advocate, Kahn, Soares and Conway LLC from Sacramento. Mr. Soars will share perspectives on the history of nursery and floriculture's static influence and reactive posture in Sacramento legislative and regulatory halls compared to other agricultural commodities, with options for reversing the trend to increase nursery's voice and market impact. Tom O'Brien, CANGC/NGA National Advocate, DC O'Brien from Washington D.C. Mr. O'Brien will discuss many opportunities that exist for California's nursery and floriculture community to impact Congress, USDA, and other federal agencies in a new administration focused on environment and green causes and amid an increasingly regulated agricultural economy. Craig Regelbrugge, Vice President for Research and Government Relations, American Nursery and Landscape Association. Mr. Regelbrugge will describe the impacts on California's growers of ANLA's efforts for comprehensive labor

reform legislation, stronger national pest exclusion policies, sensible environmental protection measures, and opportunities springing from the 2008 Farm Bill funding initiatives. Daniel Dooley, Ph.D., Vice President, University of California Agriculture and Natural Resources. Mr. Dooley will call for closer ties between UC/UCCE and the nursery and floriculture on matters of applied research and educational programs that benefit the institution, industry, and the public. There will also be a Panel Discussion, the panel will explore the impacts of state funding shortfalls and growing pest exclusion mandates on nursery at the county level. The moderator will be Bob Atkins, San Diego County Agricultural Commissioner and the participants will be Helene Wright, State Plant Health Director for California, United States Department of Agriculture, John Connell, Directory of Plant Health & Pest Prevention Services, California Department of Food and Agriculture and Mary Pfeiffer, Shasta County Agricultural Commissioner and Chair, California Agricultural Commissioner's Nursery, Seed, and Apiary Committee. For reservations and information call 800 748-6214 x 13 or email dadams@cangc.org.

Plant Tour Days 2009 - June 4-5, 2009

A unique two-day open house and self-guided tour follows the Showcase on June 4-5, allowing buyers to visit host nurseries and see first-hand the quality and commitment behind the product.

For buyers, the event is an ideal opportunity to source new suppliers, discover new specialty products and solve distribution problems. For nurseries and growers it is the perfect opportunity to get your product in front of potential new customers and strengthen the client relationships you already have. Click here for more information: <http://www.flowerandplant.org/plant-tour-days>

For more information about Plant Tour Days visit contact the San Diego County Flower & Plant Association at (760) 431-2572 or email info@flowerandplant.org.

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California Grown Show - June 3, 2009

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New Online Videos from Syngenta Give Greenhouse Growers Employee Training Insights

Syngenta Professional Products has added five new greenhouse sprayer videos on its GreenCast Web site - www.greencastonline.com. They can be found under the "Resource" section. Syngenta developed these videos to help greenhouse growers better train their staff on the effective and accurate use of control products. The full library of 17 nursery and greenhouse videos can be downloaded for free by GreenCast subscribers.

The five new videos, which feature Syngenta ornamental technical manager Nancy Rechcigl, are titled as follows:

- * Improve product efficacy - see how practices like measuring droplet size, increasing spray volume and replacing nozzles can make a difference in product delivery and results

- * Why apply Plant Growth Regulators (PGRs) early? - learn how early application methods can improve the bottom line

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June 2, 2009 - Grower Summit at the Doubletree Hotel, 201 East MacArthur Blvd., Santa Ana, CA 92707. Time is 9am to 4pm. Earn three (3) DPR Continuing Education Hours. For more information or to register phone (800) 748-6214 x 16. Website at www.californiagrownshow.com/summit.html

June 3, 2009 - California Grown Show, Orange County Fair and Event Center, 88 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, CA 92626, Building 10. The hours are 9 am to 5 pm. For more information visit www.californiagrownshow.com

June 4-5, 2009 - Plant Tour Days, Self guided open house nursery tours in conjunction with the California Grown Show. Please check out our website www.flowerandplant.org and click on the Plant Tour Days 2009 button to the right. Contact the association office for more information (760) 431-2572.

June 4, 2009 - Nursery Greenhouse Seminar 2009. Interactive presentation competition by major chemical manufactures. 8 DPR hours pending - 7 CaCCA hours pending. To pre-register please send you name and check to San Diego CAPCA, 11350 Lilac Vista Dr., Valley Center, CA 92082 or call 760 522-8349 for more information.

June 14, 2009 - "Hot Time...Summer in the City..." Come, cool off and learn new ideas and techniques from the professionals, back by popular demand. \$30.00 AIFD members - \$35.00 non members - \$40.00 at the door. Location is at Mayesh Wholesale Florist, Inc., 3241 Halladay St., Santa Ana, CA 92705. To register call Michael Quesada AIFD, Kaleidoscope Flowers (805) 962-0032 or email kalflower@aol.com.

June 17, 2009 - Pesticide Training at The Center for Applied Horticultural Research, 3742 Blue Bird Canyon Rd., Vista, CA 92084. (the entrance to the center is off of Tamara) Pesticide handlers yearly training as required by regulation includes topics such as; WPS, Stormwater, Heat Stress, REI's, Personal Safety Equipment, and Individual Pesticide This session is in Spanish with English sub-titles, 8:30 am to 11:30. Contact your associaton office for registration at 760 431-2572.

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June 26, 2009 - Annual Dinner for the San Diego County Flower & Plant Association. El Camino Country Club, 3202 Vista Way, Oceanside, CA 92056 beginning at 6:30 pm. Installation of Officers; Outstanding Person of the Year Tom McGregor; Marilu Johnson Memorial Scholarship award. Cost is \$50.00 per person. Contact the Association office at 760 431-2572 for details.

July 11-14, 2009 - Ohio Florist Association Short Course, Greater Columbus Convention Center, Columbus, Ohio. The biggest trade show in the country for greenhouses production. For more informatin, see www.ofa.org.

September 27, 2009 - The CCF Prep Class presented by The California State Floral Association (CSFA) & The California Certified Florist (CCF) Program. This class if to give applicants insight into how the exam will be administered, what to study, and what will be expected of them. Cost is \$100.00 for members - \$125.00 non members. The location is A to Z Wholesale Floral Supply Inc., 1511 E. McFadden Ave., Santa Ana, CA 92705. For more information call Svenja Brotz CCF (510) 693-4347 or Ann Quinn (916) 448-5266.

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Jan Hall joins Target Specialty Products! After a 28-year career with Paul Ecke Ranch in Encinitas, as a technical services manager providing crop diagnostics, support, and protocol guidelines for Ecke's products. Jan also coordinated all pest management programs and was responsible for internal and external university research projects. Wow! Now that's impressive! Congratulation to both Jan Hall and Target Specialty Products!

Congratulations to Anna & Christian Zaleschuk of Zalinda Farms on their newest edition to the family Scarlett Lilyanna born May 7th 2009 1.09pm. 8lbs, 6oz. Congratulations to Anna & Christiane & the lucky grandparents too!

