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FREE ENVIRONMENTAL WEBINAR WITH NUTRIERS ON APRIL 14th

Learn how to deal with the destructive Spotted Lanternfly and your threatened Ash Trees, as well as how and why to plant a magical Redstart Garden! The Watchung Environmental Commission is hosting a FREE WEBINAR with the Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Somerset County on Wednesday, April 14, from 7:30 to 9 PM (no cost). The presentation is titled Spotted Ash Lanternfly, Spotted Lanternfly, Spotted Lanternfly, and Spotted Ash Lanternfly. There will be a Q & A with the speaker after each session. The event is open to all residents of Watchung and Warren. Click the link below to register; you will receive a confirmation email containing log in information.

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Join a Free Webinar by Rutgers Professionals

How to Plant Pollinator Gardens & Control the Damaging Spotted Lanternfly and Emerald Ash Bore on Your Property

SPRING HAS SPRUNG!

Wednesday, April 14, 7:30 – 9pm

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Learn to plant a Magical Pollinator Garden & how to control the Invasive Insects threatening our trees.

Presented by **the Watchung Environmental Commission and Rutgers Cooperative Extension.**

Presenters include **Nicholas Polanin**, the County Agriculture & Natural Resources Agent for the Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Somerset County. He is a NJ Licensed Tree Expert. **Roslyn Dvorin** is the Environmental Program Coordinator for the Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Somerset County. Before starting her current position, she worked as a Park Naturalist at Union County's Trailside Nature and Science Center and at Liberty State Park.

Compiled by: The Watchung & Warren Green Team

Presentation:

Stop Spotted Lanternflies (SLFs) from Damaging our Trees

**Spotted Lanternflies have killed hardwood trees, pines, and grape vines in Warren.
We need your help to stop the spread.**



Hatches in early May, matures by August to resemble winged moths, then lays masses of 30-50 eggs



What can you do to help? “Join the Battle, Beat the Bug”

- Know the life stages. The SLF prefers to lay eggs in the invasive Tree of Heaven (*Ailanthus altissima*). They jump rather than fly, staying within 10' from the ground.
- The SLF is carried easily. Inspect your car, shoes, or outdoor items for SLF before you move in or out of Somerset County. Keep windows closed when parking.
- Survey your property. Removing Trees of Heaven and killing SLFs preserve your community. Scrape egg masses into a plastic bag containing alcohol, close the bag and place it in the trash. [How To Remove Spotted Lanternfly Eggs \(psu.edu\)](https://www.psu.edu/)
- For guidance to identify and remove SLFs and *Ailanthus altissima* on your property, contact a Licensed Tree Expert or a registered tree care business [Directory Search \(nitreeexperts.org\)](https://www.nitreeexperts.org/), or a Certified Arborist, Tree Steward or Rutgers Master Gardener. [How to Hire a Tree Care Professional \(Rutgers NJAES\)](https://www.rutgers.edu/)

Educational material posted on Environmental Commission page on borough website:

<http://www.watchungnj.gov/EC/index.html>