

The Birds, The Bees & Cedarglen Floral

The news has been filled this spring and summer with numerous articles about the birds, the bees, pesticide use and in particular a family of chemicals known as Neonicotinoid's. The public's response to these articles has been and continues to be one of great concern and in some cases outrage. This in turn has sent many of them to you asking lots of questions about how your suppliers grow plants and what kinds of chemicals they use. All questions that you were most often at a loss to answer.

Early in spring when the stories were emerging we wanted everyone to know that we do not use neonics so we posted a notice on our website, we put it on our availability and we put it into the email template that goes out with our availability. As the season and stories have progressed, so has the number of requests for us to provide more in-depth information regarding our growing practices and pesticide use. To answer those requests we are providing you with [Cedarglen Floral's Approach to Pest Management](#), simply click on the link to download. Please feel free to display this information in your garden center.

There is much information and mis-information in the public realm regarding the issue of declining bee populations and song birds. At times it is hard to keep up with all the articles in the news and stories on tv but we feel the only way that we can continue to make informed decisions about how we grow and conduct our business is to stay on top of all the information. We have found the following articles to be very informative and thought you might too.

Nature - International Weekly Journal of Science

[Bees, Lies and Evidence Based Policy](#)

[Declines in insectivorous birds are associated with high neonicotinoid concentrations.](#)

National Geographic

[Second Silent Spring?](#)

The Xerces Society

[Are Neonicotinoids Killing Bees?](#)

Greenhouse Grower

[Many articles published this month.](#)

Grower Talks

[Should We Nix Neonics?](#)

Science Friday Radio Show or Podcast (love this show!)

[Concerns Rise Over Pesticide Use, Birds and Bees](#)

We hope that you find these articles (and podcast) to be helpful. Should you have any questions about our Pest Management Approach or anything else regarding our growing practices, please do not hesitate to contact us.

"You cannot get through a single day without having an impact on the world around you. What you do makes a difference, and you have to decide what kind of difference you want to make." Jane Goodall

Cherie & Eric Siegmund

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