



Special Offer to Hartford Flower Show Attendees

Our mission is restoration of the American chestnut in the State of Connecticut

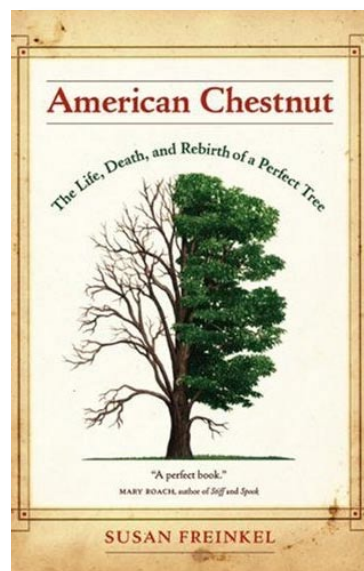
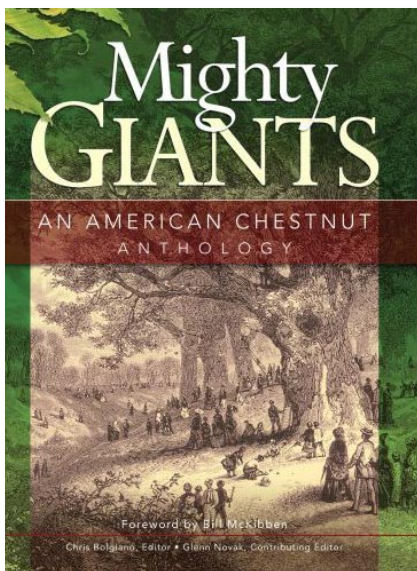
For the period of the Hartford Flower Show (February 21-24, 2008) the Connecticut Chapter of The American Chestnut Foundation (TACF) is offering a special membership promotion - Enhanced Regular Memberships which include gifts of recently published and hard-to-find books celebrating the American chestnut.

Regular Membership (benefits below) at \$40 can be enhanced with one of two options.

- The Bark and New Leaf (quarterly TACF Newsletter and periodic Chapter Newsletter)
- The Journal of The American Chestnut Foundation (semi-annual scientific Journal)
- Membership in the Connecticut Chapter of TACF
- Access to expert advice on growing and caring for American chestnut trees.
- Opportunities to participate in local breeding and research activities.
- The opportunity to purchase American chestnut seed and seedling kits.
- Help ensure the future health of the eastern American forest ecosystem.
- Invitations to attend meetings and meet scientists working on chestnut research.
- A welcome to visit, tour, and/or volunteer at TACF and CT-TACF research farms

Option 1 - Enhanced Regular Membership at \$60 total - all the benefits of the Regular Membership plus "Mighty Giants - an American Chestnut Anthology" (in softcover -- list price \$24.95)

Option 2 - Enhanced Regular Membership at \$80 total - all the benefits of the Regular Membership plus "Mighty Giants - an American Chestnut Anthology" and "American Chestnut - Life, Death, and Rebirth of a Perfect Tree" by Susan Freinkel (in hardcover -- list price \$27.50) A \$100 value for just \$80!



The American Chestnut and Restoration Ecology

“Through the efforts of a dedicated American chestnut breeding program generously supported by federal, state, private, and non-profit entities, perhaps the largest forest restoration effort of its kind is on the verge of initiation. Reintroduction of a hybrid tree that is nearly pure American chestnut to eastern forests of North America holds promise to restore the unique ecological niche that American chestnut once contributed.

A complex and well-integrated series of programs linked via crosscollaboration from a variety of disciplines is needed to ensure successful implementation of American chestnut restoration. Despite these pending challenges, reintroduction of American chestnut to forests of eastern North America holds promise to serve as perhaps the greatest ecological and conservation success story of modern time.”

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