

# Don't miss the Annual Meeting on Wednesday, May 4!



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*The Connolly Family*

most common invasive plant species in Massachusetts. The topics covered will include ecological impacts, invasive species origin and spread, species identification, and common control methods. A short section on new invaders to the state will be covered as well as a discussion on biocontrol and early detection rapid response.

Dr. Bryan Connolly is an Assistant Professor of Biology at Framingham State University; he is also President of the New England Botanical Club. Bryan's previous

Our guest speaker at this year's Annual Meeting and Dinner will be Professor Bryan Connolly.

Professor Connolly will focus on the

professional roles have included being Massachusetts State Botanist for Massachusetts Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program, as well as being the volunteer coordinator for the Invasive Plant Atlas of New England through the New England Wild Flower Society. He is a coauthor of "The Vascular Plants of Massachusetts: A County Checklist, First Revision" and has published sixteen scientific articles.

The annual meeting and dinner will be held on May 4 at the American Legion Post 440 at 295 California Street in Nonantum. A social hour will begin at 6:00 pm; dinner will begin at 7:00, to be followed by a brief annual meeting, an awards ceremony and then Prof. Connolly's presentation.

**You can register for the meeting by going online at [www.newtonconservators.org](http://www.newtonconservators.org) or by returning the response form in the invitation that will be sent to all members at the end of March. ■**

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**Fritillary**

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