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## Curriculum Vitae

### Education

2016 Connecticut Accredited Nursery Professional, CANP  
(Connecticut Nursery and Landscape Association)  
1990 Construction Documents Technologist (CDT), a CSI examination  
1983 AMLS in Library Science, University of Michigan  
(full tuition scholarship, graduate assistantship)  
1979 BS, Horticulture, Michigan State University, *magna cum laude*  
(2<sup>nd</sup> year chemistry, 1 year physics, 2 years botany)  
1975 AS, Biology, Lansing Community College, *summa cum laude*  
(1<sup>st</sup> year chemistry, 1 year biology, 1 year calculus)

### Professional work experience

June 2005 – January 2010  
Records Manager (& Technical Librarian)  
JCJ Architecture, 120 Huysshope Ave., Suite 400, Hartford, CT 06106  
August 1989 – November 2001  
Records & Information Manager (& Technical Librarian & Specifications Writer)  
Hoffmann Architects, 2321 Whitney Ave. #202, Hamden, CT 06518  
July 1981 – June 1983  
Library Graduate Student Staff Assistant  
Microform Reading Room, Harlan Hatcher Graduate Library, University of Michigan  
2010-2012, 2002-2005, 1984-1989  
Self-employed  
Consulting to architecture firms, gardening, organic poison ivy control

### Other occupations, 1969-present

Dairy farm hand (1969), restaurant worker (1969-1972), skilled nursing facility staff (1977-78 and 1988), landscaper (1984-1988), recreation therapist (2002), garden center sales staff (2003-2004 and 2016-2017), home care caregiver (1985-86, 2004-2005, and 2011)

### Languages

Spanish and German: reading & conversation  
French: reading, with dictionary  
Russian and Polish: basic vocabulary recognition

### Academic Honors

Alpha Zeta (agricultural honor society)  
Phi Kappa Phi

## **Volunteer work in therapeutic horticulture and therapeutic recreation with the elderly in skilled nursing facilities**

*This volunteer work involved recruiting fellow volunteers, watering plants, purchasing and organizing supplies, reporting to professional therapeutic recreation specialists, and planning and conducting activities such as repotting plants, propagating plants from cuttings, planting terrariums, planting bulbs, and planting seeds. Participants also enjoyed talking about gardens they had in the past.*

2005-2011 and 2019 - present: Masonicare Health Center in Wallingford, CT

1993-2000: VA Medical Center in West Haven, CT, Geriatric Extended Care Unit

1977-1978: Ingham County Extended Care Facility, Okemos, MI

1972-1979: Provincial House Whitehills, East Lansing, MI

## **Volunteer awards**

1995 Director's Award, Red Cross SCC Chapter, New Haven, CT

1978 Tri-County Distinguished Volunteer Award, Lansing, MI

## **Major published articles**

"Masonry in retrospect: mortar-strength experiments conducted in France in 1834." *APT Bulletin: The Journal of Preservation Technology*. (This is a peer-reviewed journal.) Vol. 27, No. 4, 1996. Published by the Association for Preservation Technology International. (This was an original translation of an article published in a French journal in 1834 and discovered serendipitously in the New York Public Library.)

"Durability of stone: information and where to get it." *Dimensional Stone Magazine*. March 1993.

"Building retrofit planning to reduce air infiltration: controlling energy costs with retrofit technology." *AIPE Facilities* (American Institute of Plant Engineers). Vol. 19 No. 3 May/June 1992.

"Do plants die of old age?" *The Bartlett Arboretum Newsletter*. Vol. 9, No. 2, Winter 1986.

## **Quoted extensively in a published article**

"Ditch the itch: here's how to handle your own personal poison ivy problem in four easy steps." By Joanna Poncavage, illustrations by Milan Trenc. *Organic Gardening*. March 1996.

## **Memberships**

Northeast Horticultural Therapy Network (NEHTN)

New York Botanical Garden (NYBG)

Connecticut Botanical Society

Brenton Arboretum, Dallas Center, Iowa

St. George Village Botanical Garden, St. Croix, U. S. Virgin Islands

Northeast Organic Farming Association (NOFA)

Green America ([greenamerica.org](http://greenamerica.org))