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Local landscaping firm brings home PLANET awards

WILTON, CT – Hoffman Landscapes, a Wilton landscaping company recently earned two PLANET awards during the 42nd Annual Green Industry Conference and Awards Ceremony in Louisville, Kentucky.

The company earned Merit Awards in two categories: Residential Design/Build for a Wilton residence and Residential Landscape Management for a property in Westport.

"It is important and gratifying to discover how your peers feel about your work and to compare your efforts to other projects around the country," Mike Hoffman, president of Hoffman Landscapes, said. This makes the ninth PLANET award for the 25-year old landscape company, including Grand Awards in 2008, 2006 and 2002 as well as a Merit Award in 2001.



"The Wilton project was a challenging pool renovation and new construction of a "car barn" to house an antique car collection. Because the property was maxed out on building space, the landscape designer

was charged with the task of finding ways to eliminate and re-design areas around the property that counted as coverage under the town's building regulations," Hoffman said.

Hoffman's solutions included removing the home's existing timber deck to reduce building coverage, and replacing its functionality with a new stone patio.



The Westport residence transformation focused on elevation changes as well as many bountiful plantings, such as sugar maple and sweet gum trees, hemlocks, white pines, red-twig dogwoods and a variety of shrubs.