

Cornell Cooperative Extension Chenango
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Spring Garden Conference
Saturday, March 17, 2012
8:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m.

Workshops for Vegetable & Ornamental Gardeners
Keynote: Steve Gabriel, Fingerlakes Permaculture Institute
Permaculture: Garden Ecosystems for Health and Productivity

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Chenango
99 North Broad St., Norwich, NY
\$25 per person

1:40-2:30 PM SESSION FOUR—Choose One

Bug ID in the Vegetable Garden—Stacie Edick, Community Gardens Coordinator
Some Good Guys and Some Bad Guys – and how to control the bad guys organically.

Diagnosing Nutrient Deficiencies in Vegetable and Ornamental Plants—J. Rebecca Hargrave, Horticulture & Natural Resources Educator

Seed Saving & Storage – Flowers and Vegetables – Bette Osborne, Master Gardener Volunteer
What to save, how to collect it, and how to store it for next year.

2:40—3:30 PM SESSION FIVE—Choose One

Extending the Gardening Season – Cold Frames, Row Covers, and More
Master Gardener Volunteers Bette Osborne, Lynne Lightowler-Buck and Stacie Edick

Starting Seeds Indoors to Grow Your Own Vegetables
Gerald Gregory, Master Gardener Volunteer Demonstration and some Hands-On

Best Bet Perennials for Maximum Color in your Home Garden – Jenn Sienko, Master Gardener Volunteer
Get the greatest color boost and bang for your buck when purchasing plants for your home garden this year. Perennial care and maintenance for continued success. Great class for the beginner.

3:30 Turn in Evaluation Form at Registration desk and receive your Goodie Bag and free plant!

REGISTRATION FORM—Please fill out ONE form for EACH PERSON

Please CHOOSE One Workshop for each Session V = Vegetables & Fruits F = Flowers & Ornamentals

9:00-10:00 ___ Permaculture (V, some F) OR ___ Fertile Soil (V&F)

10:10-11:10 ___ Permaculture (repeat of 9am) OR ___ Container & Raised Bed Gardening (V&F)

11:20-12:10 ___ Plan Vege Garden(V) OR ___ Alpine & Rock Garden(F) OR ___ Composting (V&F)

Please Bring Your Own Brown Bag Lunch—This helps keep costs and registration fees low !

12:15—1:30PM LUNCH TIME PANEL DISCUSSIONS

___ Perennials to Avoid, Spread too far, too fast (F) OR ___ Weed Control in Gardens (V&F)

1:40-2:30 ___ Bug ID in Vege Garden(V) OR ___ Diagnosing Nutrient Deficiencies (V&F)
OR ___ Seed Saving & Storage—Flowers and Vegetables (V&F)

2:40-3:30 ___ Extend the Season (V, some F) ___ Start Seeds Indoors (V) ___ Perennials & Bulbs (F)

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

Phone _____ Email _____

___ Check for \$ ___ Enclosed

\$25 for One Person \$45 for 2 People \$60 for 3 People \$20 per person for 4 or more people

Please staple multiple forms together—one for each attendee. All forms must be submitted in the same envelope to receive the multi-person discount.

Please make Check Payable and Mail to: CCE Chenango, 99 N. Broad St, Norwich, NY 13815

Please keep the attached schedule and bring it with you so you can find your selected workshops!

8:30—9:00 AM

Registration in *Back Hall Entrance Area*

Coffee and Healthy Morning Snacks in *Front, Downstairs Lobby*

Browse our Information Table—*Downstairs “Bridge Room”*

Samples of Downloadable Documents, Web Sources Lists, Rain Barrels for Sale \$65 each
Gardening Booklets & Onion Sets Sale, Funds for the Community Gardens Project

9:00—10:00 AM

SESSION ONE - Choose One

KEYNOTE SPEAKER (REPEATED at 10:15 AM so EVERYONE can attend—we don't have a room big enough to hold 30+ people)

Steve Gabriel, Finger Lakes Permaculture Institute

Permaculture: Garden Ecosystems for Health & Productivity

The presentation includes many techniques for creating ecological gardens and plenty of discussion on (mostly perennial) plants, critters, and mushrooms that should be members of any backyard ecosystem. Permaculture is an established practice where garden and agriculture systems are designed to grow food and medicine for humans while regenerating degraded soils and promoting biodiversity.

Fertile Soil—The Foundation of any Great Garden

Rebecca Hargrave, CCE Chenango Horticulture & Natural Resources Educator

How to collect soil samples, interpret test results, effect of pH on nutrient availability, soil amendments.

10:10—11:10 AM

SESSION TWO—Choose One

KEYNOTE SPEAKER (THIS is a REPEAT of 9:00 AM)

Steve Gabriel, Finger Lakes Permaculture Institute ***Permaculture: Garden Ecosystems for Health & Productivity***

Container Gardens, Raised Beds & Lasagna Gardening

Jean Barrows, Master Gardener Volunteer Learn how to grow vegetables or ornamentals in containers, raised beds, square foot gardening, or with layered composting methods known as “Lasagna Gardening” or “year-round mulching”.

11:20 AM —12:10 PM

SESSION THREE—Choose One

Planning Your Vegetable Garden Learn about planning for space and time, what to plant where and when, spacing, when to transplant, following early crops with late crops, varieties, etc. **Taught by team of Master Gardener Volunteers.**

Alpine and Rock Gardens—Judy Sellers, Master Gardener Volunteer

Learn about gardening with Chicks & Hens, Sedums, Mosses and other Alpine Species in Rock Gardens, choosing plants, garden design and maintenance.

Composting in the Backyard or Indoors with Worms—Lynne Lightowler-Buck, Master Gardener Volunteer

Learn about basic techniques for composting in an outdoor bin, pile or composter and about composting indoors with worms. This workshop includes instructions but bins and worms will NOT be provided.

12:15—1:30 PM

BROWN BAG LUNCH Discussion Panels **TO KEEP COSTS LOW WE ASK THAT YOU**

BRING YOUR OWN BROWN BAG LUNCH and Join our Master Gardeners for One of these Discussions:

Upstairs Large Conference Room: Perennials to Avoid: Garden Plants that Spread Too Fast and Too Far

A panel of our Master Gardener Volunteers will kick-off the conversation, but this is a great opportunity for you to share your own “horror” stories so we can help each other avoid some persistent mistakes.

Downstairs Kitchen: Weed Control in the Vegetable or Ornamental Garden

A panel of our Master Gardener Volunteers will kick-off the conversation, but this is a great opportunity for you to share your favorite tricks. We'll talk about ways to control weeds and avoid using herbicides or breaking our backs!