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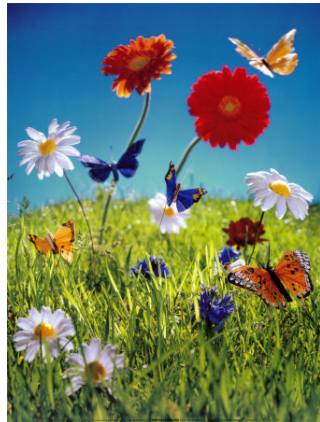
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Evenings in the Garden 2009



Michigan State University Extension-
Oakland County
in cooperation with the
Tollgate Garden Volunteers

Presents:

Educational Workshops at
MSU Tollgate Education Center
28115 Meadowbrook Road
Novi, Michigan 48377

2009 Evenings in the Garden

Hellebores and Other Spring Flowering Plants

Thursday, May 7, 2009
Instructor: Kim Roth

Join Kim of Christensen's Plant Center as she leads us through the wonderful world of early spring blooming plants. Hellebores and other spring selections are just the thing to perk up your spirits as winter snow gives way to spring's sunny days. Take advantage of all of Kim's extensive knowledge of the plant world to make your spring yard all that it can be.



Mulch Madness

Tuesday, May 19, 2009
Instructor: Bert Cregg

Homeowners are faced with an ever-expanding array of mulch materials for the landscape, many claiming to be better than the next. In this presentation, Dr. Bert Cregg, Associate Professor of Horticulture and Forestry at Michigan State University, will separate mulch fact from fallacy and discuss which mulch is best for your landscape.

Vegetable Gardening for Everyone

Tuesday, June 2, 2009
Instructor: Bill Pioch

Join heirloom vegetable producer, Bill Pioch, as he walks us through the process of growing our own produce. With the recent emphasis on growing local, what could be more local than our own backyard? With some basic instruction and timely tips, vegetable growing can be fun and easy. Let Bill show you the way to produce lots of good things to eat whether you have a lot of space or just a few planters.



Beautiful Rhodies and Azaleas— Yes You Can!

Thursday, July 9, 2009
Instructor: Dennis Groh

Ever wonder what it takes to grow gorgeous azaleas and rhododendrons in Michigan? It can be done! Through proper preparation of the soil, plant and site selection, you can have success with these beautiful plants. Join long-time gardener Dennis Groh as he shares with us the secrets of making these plants thrive. Dennis is a great instructor and is a master of cultivation of many different plants.



Native Plantings for Attracting Wildlife

Tuesday, July 21, 2009

Instructor:
Ruth Vrbensky

Are you tired of your lawnmower being the only thing moving in your yard? Do you want to attract birds, bees and butterflies but aren't sure how? Spend an evening with Ruth Vrbensky, Advanced Master Gardener, Conservation Steward and owner of Oakland Wildflower Farm as she shares with you how to wake up your yard by planting native plants and all the critters that enjoy those plants best. If time allows, we will even explore some native plantings around Tollgate to look for some of those critters. As an added bonus, Ruth will be offering selections from her nursery for sale after the lecture. Part of the proceeds from the sale will benefit Tollgate gardens.

Amazing World of Hostas

Thursday, August 6, 2009

Instructor: Ralph Heiden

Ralph Heiden has been an Extension Educator in Jackson County, Michigan for many years. Ralph has a vast knowledge of hostas and hosta culture that he is eager to share with us. Hostas come in a huge variety of sizes, colors and forms. Come learn with Ralph as he shows us how to use these wonderful and versatile plants as companions and focus plants in your garden.

Barbecue Straight from the Garden

Monday, August 24, 2009

Instructor: Peter Veach

Chef Peter Veach of Culinary Innovations will demonstrate his barbecue panache cooking fresh from the garden. The emphasis of this class will be on preserving the natural look, feel and taste of the herbs and vegetables in each of his creations. Class participants will see dishes prepared right before their eyes using fresh picked produce and the humble grill. Everyone in the class will have the opportunity to taste and take home recipes to recreate Peter's masterpieces.



Winter Interest in the Garden

Tuesday, September 15, 2009

Instructor: Janet Macunovich

Fall clean-up is a perfect time for garden changes that will make you smile right through winter. Garden designer, Janet Macunovich, has tips for you to make the most of every color, texture and form you already have in your landscape and help you add or rearrange to make it sparkle right through winter. These ideas can make any existing or new landscape interesting, colorful and enchanting from November to April.

Registration Information

- Location for all classes:
MSU Tollgate Education Center
28115 Meadowbrook Rd.
Novi, Michigan 48377
- Class times: 6:30—8:30 p.m.
- Registration fee is \$20.00 per class

Make checks payable to:

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1200 N. Telegraph Rd.
Pontiac, MI 48341-0416

- Phone registrations will not be accepted.
- Classes will close when registration reaches capacity (40 students). Walk in space may not be available.
- Confirmation with class details and a map will be mailed upon receipt of registration and check.
- No refunds will be issued. Only substitute participants will be accepted.

Questions? Contact: Linda at 248-858-0887 or smithlin@oakgov.com

Each session qualifies for 2 hours of continuing education for Master Gardener Volunteers.

Evenings in the Garden 2009 Registration Form

Please complete one registration form per person:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Hellebores | May 7 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mulch Madness | May 19 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Veggies | June 2 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beautiful Rhodies and Azaleas | July 9 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Native Plants for Attracting Wildlife | July 21 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Amazing World of Hostas | August 6 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Barbecue from the Garden | August 24 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Winter Interest in the Garden | Sept 15 |

Total: \$ _____ (\$20 each)

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