

GARDEN DAY 2009: The Thoughtful Gardener

Saturday, March 21, 2009 from 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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Registration Fee:

\$65 Per Person

Glen Oaks

Oakland County Park

30500 13 Mile Road

Farmington Hills, MI

48334

(between Orchard Lake
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Program:

8:30-9:00am	Registration
9:00-9:45am	The Thoughtful Gardener and Garden Design Bob Schutzki, Department of Horticulture, Michigan State University Garden design is often described as an exercise in personal expression. How that expression unfolds and the impression that a landscape leaves us with reflects the personality of its owner. As Thoughtful Gardeners, we will walk through landscapes and explore the principles, characteristics, and qualities that help them take shape and contribute to quality of life and the overall aesthetic and environmental complexion of our homes and communities.
9:45-10:00am	Break
10:00-11:00am	Beautiful Baskets and Cool Containers Polly Bailey-Rule, Four Star Greenhouse/ Proven Winners This session will cover the essential techniques and design principles for creating stunning hanging baskets and garden containers, with a focus on appropriate plant selection. Color, form, texture and individual plant characteristics will be discussed.
11:00-12:00pm	Water Gardening and Aquatic Plants Wendy Wiegand, Ray Wiegand's Nursery Water Gardening is one of America's most popular gardening activity. Learn the pros and cons of the many different water plants. Where they should and should not be placed. Wendy will share many tricks of the trade to make your aquatic plants and water gardens thrive.
12:00-1:00pm	Lunch
1:00- 2:00pm	Planting Techniques Bob Schutzki, Department of Horticulture, Michigan State University Helping plants become established is the primary focus of successful planting techniques. Proper handling and planting ensures initial establishment and the long term aesthetic and environmental quality of our gardens. We will examine proper planting techniques from preparing the plant, digging the hole, to finishing it off with mulch and water. Proper planting techniques return multiple dividends for our gardens.
2:00-3:15pm	GREEN Garden Tips -Secrets of the Soil...With a Sense of Humus Lillian Dean, FAICP; Coordinator Healthy Lawns and Gardens Program SOCWA (SE Oakland County Water Authority) The organic matter fraction of the soil is essential for soil and plant health. Natural mulches, leaf recycling, and composting are easy, thoughtful steps that lead to an environmentally-friendly home landscape. Lillian will share practical tips from Master Composters as well as from soil science experts. Learn how to make and use compost the easy way! GREEN Garden Tips - Keeping it Green Without Spending a Lot of Green Susana Ditter, Horticulturist and Michigan Certified Nurseryman A healthy lawn does not have to be expensive and time consuming. Susana will provide some "green" tips for a green lawn without costing you a lot of green.
3:15-3:30pm	Break
3:30-4:30pm	New Annuals and Perennials for 2009 George Papadelis, Telly's Greenhouse, Troy, MI Learn about some of the wonderful new stuff you'll see at Telly's this Spring. George will highlight some of this season's new and exciting introductions for your gardening pleasure.
4:30pm	Adjourn

Speaker Biographies:

Polly Bailey-Rule, CLP, MCN is the Landscape Account Manager for Four Star Greenhouse, Inc. in Carleton, Michigan. Previously, she was the President/Owner of Five Star Garden Service, Inc. located in Kiowa, Colorado, where she directed development and growth of the high-end residential gardening business. Polly was a Board member of the Associated Landscape Contractors of Colorado. She currently is a Southeast Michigan Nursery and Landscape Association (SEMNLA) Board Director-at-Large.

Lillian Dean coordinates the Healthy Lawns and Gardens program for SOCWA (SE Oakland County Water Authority), Royal Oak. She facilitates environmental gardening classes for citizens (Master Composters; Treekeepers; Ecological Gardening; Healthy Lawn Care, etc.). In cooperation with local and county agencies, she carries out public education activities directed to changing home landscape practices. Lillian has an M.S. degree in Planning from the University of Wisconsin and became a certified arborist in 2007.

Susana Ditter has a degree from The Ohio State University in Horticulture and a MBA from the University of Phoenix. Susana has a long career in the green industry. She is involved with the industry by sitting on several professional Boards. Susana is involved with the Michigan Invasive Plant Council, Michigan Certified Nurseryman Program, Michigan Nursery and Landscape Association and SOWCA Advisory Committee.

George Papadelis and Mark Papadelis were youngsters setting up a roadside stand to sell plants they had started and grown themselves a little over two decades ago. Their entrepreneurship proved productive and profitable. George has parlayed a little table full of homegrown flowers into acres of healthy, burgeoning blooms that grace the flowerboxes of apartments, the yards of suburban homes, and the gardens of estates throughout the tri-county area. While George developed the greenhouse and garden center his brother Mark has been developing Telly's Nursery selling trees and shrubs. Side by side they have grown their businesses, giving Telly's Greenhouse and Garden Center customers a wide selection of plants, great quality, and friendly, knowledgeable service at a reasonable price.

Bob Schutzki has been a faculty member at Michigan State University since 1982 with responsibilities in teaching and extension. His teaching emphasis includes courses in Landscape Design, Environmental Design, Landscape Restoration, and Landscape Management. Bob serves as Curator of the Clarence E. Lewis Landscape Arboretum. His Extension focus includes conducting professional workshops on Landscape Design, Plant Evaluation, Plant Selection, Landscape Management, Plant Establishment in the Landscape, Invasive plants, and other related topics. Bob's research interests include plant exploration, plant evaluation, sustainable landscape development and management, and invasive species assessment.

Wendy Wiegand has been with Ray Wiegand's Nursery in Macomb, Michigan for the past 16 years. Twelve of those years have been spent running the Aquatic plant production and sales area. She has been very active in many state and local nursery and landscape organizations. Wendy is a current Board member of The Michigan Invasive Plant Council and is a Past President of the Southeast Michigan Nursery and Landscape Association.

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