

REGISTRATION & FEES

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____
 Zip _____ Phone _____
 Email _____
 Fees below include lunch.
 Non-refundable after February 5th.

- _____ \$25 Early Bird by February 5th
- _____ \$15 Early Bird by Feb. 5th - HS/College Student
- _____ \$30 After February 5th
- _____ \$10 Houseplant Workshop Fee. Please write a separate check for this workshop to CVMGA
- _____ \$5 Microgreens Workshop Fee. Please write a separate check for this workshop to CVMGA

Fill in a separate form for each registration. Make checks payable to CVMGA and mail to:

Gardening Seminar
 Chippewa County Extension Office
 Courthouse, Room 13
 711 Bridge Street
 Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

Breakout Sessions. Check one per session.

Session 1

- _____ Confessions of a Hydrangea Hoarder
- _____ Rain Gardens, Buffer Plantings, Healthy Lakes
- _____ Start Your Own Seedlings - Seed Starting Basics

Session 2

- _____ Planning and Planting Small Native Gardens
- _____ Growing Giant Pumpkins
- _____ Edible Perennials

Session 3

- _____ Pruning Primer
- _____ High Tunnel System
- _____ In the Garden with Kids

Session 4

- _____ Introduction to Horticultural Therapy
- _____ Edible Perennials
- _____ Growing and Using Culinary Herbs

Session 5

- _____ Learn How to Grow Microgreens Workshop
 (Workshop size limited - \$5 fee - see above)
- _____ "Ask a Master Gardener" Panel
- _____ Houseplant Propagation Workshop
 (Workshop size limited - \$10 fee - see above)



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THINK SPRING GARDEN SEMINAR



Think Spring Garden Seminar
 Saturday, February 15, 2020
 8:00 am - 3:30 pm
<https://chippewa.uwex.edu/think-spring-garden-seminar/>
715 726-7950



Win a door prize and visit vendors with garden themed products for purchase! Spend a cold winter day THINKING SPRING, meeting gardeners and learning new things.

Saturday, February 15, 2020

Avalon Hotel & Conference Center
 1009 W. Park Avenue
 Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

Sponsored by Chippewa County UW-Extension & Chippewa Valley Master Gardener Association

PROGRAM GUIDE

8:00 Registration opens, coffee bar, vendors

8:45-9:45 Session 1

- Confessions of a Hydrangea Hoarder
- Rain Gardens, Native Buffer Plantings & More... Healthy Lakes Practices
- Start Your Own Seedlings Seed Starting Basics

10:00-11:00 Session 2

- Planning and Planting Small Native Plant Gardens
- Growing Giant Pumpkins
- Edible Perennials

11-11:15 Break

11:15-12:15 Session 3

- High Tunnel System
- Pruning Primer
- In the Garden with Kids

12:15-1:30 Lunch

1:30 - 2:30 Session 4

- Introduction to Horticultural Therapy
- Growing and Using Culinary Herbs
- Edible Perennials

2:45 - 3:45 Session 5

- Houseplant Propagation Workshop
- "Ask a Master Gardener" Panel
- Learn How to Grow Microgreens Workshop

Growing Giant Pumpkins

Joe Ailts president of St. Croix Grower's Association will share info on what it takes to successfully nurture a giant pumpkin from seed to harvest. His expert tips on seeds, soil, and growing conditions will jump-start your entry into this fun and rewarding hobby.

Pruning Primer

Mike Maddox statewide Outreach Program Manager UWEX provides a conversation on the basics of pruning and how a few simple hand tools and a little bit of knowledge are all you need to keep shrubs in good form.

Rain Gardens, Native Buffer Plantings & More...Healthy Lakes Practices

Barb Barrickman, Lake Wissota Lake Association board member shows how you can implement Healthy Lakes practices designed by UW-Extension and the WI DNR to keep the water on the land using simple do-it-yourself projects such as rain gardens, native buffer gardens, and rock infiltration pits, on lakeshore or non-lakeshore home landscapes.

Introduction to Horticultural Therapy

Gardeners have first hand experience on the benefits of plants, but not everyone is able to have that same positive experience. **Mike Maddox** statewide Outreach Program Manager UWEX shares how to use Horticultural Therapy as a framework to engage folks with plants in order to help them to improve their personal well-being.

In the Garden with Kids

Margaret Murphy Horticulture Outreach Specialist, UWEX-Madison Division of Extension discusses the benefits of gardening with children. Gardening is a great way to connect (or reconnect) kids to nature but offers so much more. Using creative activities and imaginative garden designs, kids will be drawn to gardening where they learn life skills and develop healthy eating habits that often follow them into adulthood.

High Tunnel System

Tammy Lindsay District Conservationist, USDA explains how The High Tunnel initiative assists clients to extend the growing season for high value crops in an environmentally safe manner. Complimentary practices such as small pollinator/bee habitat plantings, cover crops on vegetables, and soil health will also be discussed.

Confessions of a Hydrangea Hoarder

Mike Maddox, statewide Outreach Program Manager UWEX-Madison division of the Master Gardener program. In this session Mike speaks from an enthusiasts point of view, not an expert's, to share what he has learned about incorporating hydrangeas into his personal landscape, including nuances in species and cultivar selection, landscape placement, pruning, and maintenance.

Planning & Planting Small Native Plant Gardens

Mary Jo Fleming, Master Gardener Volunteer will show how to use native plant gardens to add diversity and interest to your property. Once installed, small gardens provide beauty as well as benefits to birds, bees, butterflies, and other beneficial insects.

Start Your Own Seedlings

Ellen Terwilliger is a Master Gardener Volunteer in Eau Claire where she works with children and families in Lakeshore school gardens helping them plant seeds. She will provide the basics to get you going with starting your seedlings indoors during the winter.

Edible Perennials

Dora Wood, CVMGA volunteer and owner of Home Oasis Farm covers some of the well known, more common edible perennials, and introduces us to a few unusual ones we might be surprised to discover. Learn how to enjoy beauty and bounty from the same space and plants.

Growing and Using Culinary Herbs

Erin LaFaive, Owner of Full Circle Herbals acquaints us with 5 culinary herbs and how to grow, preserve, overwinter, and use them in cooking.

Houseplant Propagation Workshop

Shaun Christensen, of Christensen's Florist, a fifth generation local business will teach us how to take and root plant cuttings to start new houseplants. Participants will take home several types of cuttings in growing medium to nurture to maturity. \$10 additional fee for this workshop.

Learn How to Grow Microgreens Workshop

Dr. Dan Czelatdko, owner of Farm Doc Microgreens will provide history and background into microgreens. A step by step process will follow to allow you to take home soil and seeds to start growing your own microgreens right away. \$5 additional fee for this workshop.

Ask a Master Gardener

A panel of **Chippewa Valley Master Gardener Volunteers** answer your gardening questions.