

# Annual GPMGA Spring Garden Fest

## Registration Form with Check payment

(16th annual Spring Garden Festival on Saturday, April 25, 2020 at J. Sargent Reynolds Community College, 1851 Dickinson Road, Goochland, Va.)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a Master Gardener? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Interested in becoming a Master Gardener? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Include my e-mail address for e-mail info. on future garden programs? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes

### **Class, Tour, or Workshop Selections:**

Please use **Class ID#** to indicate choices. (Ex. S1C1, S2T1, S3W1) See detailed event descriptions.  
(Note: S=session, C=class, T=tour and W= workshop)

**Session times**                      **enter choice(s) below**

09:00 – 10:00 A.M.                      \_\_\_\_\_

10:30 – 11:30 A.M.                      \_\_\_\_\_

01:00 – 02:00 P.M.                      \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration fee is \$25** for all classes and tours.

**Supply fee of \$10** for each **workshop** taken.

(Example: (Registration Fee \$25) + (1 Workshop \* \$10) = Total \$35)

*Please make check payable to **GPMGA**. Registration not completed until check clears bank.*

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**Please mail your Registration Form with Check payment to:**

**GPMGA**

**P. O. Box 194**

**Goochland, VA 23063-9998**

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**Session1 - 09:00 – 10:00 A.M. (Choose only one event per session)**

**Classes:**

S1C1 - Selecting Healthy Plants

S1C2 - Tips for Choosing a Landscape Contractor

S1C3 - Colorful Low Maintenance Flowers

S1C4 - Pests and Diseases Impacting Backyard Fruit Trees in Central Virginia

**Tour:** S1T1 - Underutilized Plants for Shade

**Workshop:** S1W1 - Create Your Own Mosaic Art

**Session2 - 10:30 – 11:30 A.M. (Choose only one event per session)**

**Classes:**

S2C1 - Are They Better or Just New?

S2C2 - Using Containers as Water Gardens

S2C3 - Know Your Zone: Vegetable Varieties that Thrive in Central Virginia

S2C4 - The Wide World of Basil

**Tour:** S2T1 - Natives Integrated into an Existing Landscape

**Workshop:** S2W1 - Build a Bird House from Recycled Materials

**Session3 - 01:00 – 02:00 P.M. (Choose only one event per session)**

**Classes:**

S3C1 - Knock Your Garden Clogs Off with Virginia Natives

S3C2 - Choosing Aquatic Plants for Water Features

S3C3 - A Look at Central Virginia's Most Prominent Insects - Month by Month (which insects - "good guys" and "bad" - to look for throughout the growing season!)

S3C4 - Vegetable Gardening in Small Spaces

**Tour:** S3T1 - Shrubs and Small Trees for 4-Season Color

**Workshop:** S3W1 - Plant a Hypertufa Succulent Pot

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**April 25, 2020**

## **Description of Session Events**

### **Session1 - 09:00 – 10:00 A.M. (Choose only one event per session)**

#### **Classes: (costs \$0.00 – included in registration fee)**

**S1C1 - Selecting Healthy Plants** – Christy Jones, Goochland-Powhatan Master Gardener  
When selecting plants for your home and yard, always look for plants that are in top shape. What do you look for and what do you stay away from? Learn how to select the healthiest plants whether its houseplants, small pots of annuals or large ball and burlapped trees and shrubs.

**S1C2 - Tips for Choosing a Landscape Contractor** – Austin Cutter, Landscape Manager and Designer, Cross Creek Nursery  
Do you know how to select a good, reputable landscape contractor? Spend an hour with Cross Creek Nursery's professional and learn the steps that will lead to a successful job.

**S1C3 - Colorful Low Maintenance Flowers** – Jean Cauble, Goochland-Powhatan Master Gardener  
In considering your choices, look for the right plant, right place, lots of color that will provide colorful low maintenance flowers. Learn which flowers and foliage varieties to plant that have long bloom times, stay attractive and colorful without a lot of extra maintenance. Learn how mixing perennial and annual flowers together can provide a continuing display of color that doesn't require a lot of continuing attention other than admiring them.

**S1C4 - Pests and Diseases Impacting Backyard Fruit Trees in Central Virginia** - Don Smith, Goochland-Powhatan Master Gardener  
Growing backyard fruit in our area is not easy. If it's not the insects or fungus, it's the birds. The speaker, an owner of a local fruit orchard, will provide an overview of the diagnosis of major insects and diseases, and strategies to successfully grow apples, peaches and pears in our area.

#### **Tour: (costs \$0.00 – included in registration fee)**

**S1T1 - Underutilized Plants for Shade (Garden Tour)** – Linda Toler, Goochland-Powhatan Master Gardener  
Do you wish that the shady areas of your landscape had more pizzazz? Discover interesting plants that add color and/or texture to the shade garden, learn their preferred growing conditions, and how to use them effectively in your landscape.

#### **Workshop: (costs \$10.00 extra – For supplies)**

**S1W1 - Create Your Own Mosaic Art (Workshop)** – Kathy Franklin, Artist  
Add personality and color to your garden using tile to make a mosaic plaque. Learn the basics of working with tile while creating your own work of art to beautify your garden.

## **Session2 - 10:30 – 11:30 A.M. (Choose only one event per session)**

### **Classes: (costs \$0.00 – included in registration fee)**

#### **S2C1 - Are They Better or Just New?** – Dean Dietrich, Lewis Ginter Horticulturist

Old favorites or the newest cultivars? Look at the newest, best, award winning introductions in the plant world and see how they compare with Richmond's favorite tried and true plant selections. Which ones thrive in our climate and will perform best in our gardens? Come find out.

#### **S2C2 - Using Containers as Water Gardens** - Charlie Ross, Owner, Virginia Water Gardens

Don't have enough space for an extensive water feature, but still like to hear the sound of water in your yard? Be creative! Learn how to make beautiful water features out of garden containers. A professional from Virginia Water Gardens in Fredericksburg will show you how.

#### **S2C3 - Know Your Zone: Vegetable Varieties that Thrive in Central Virginia** - Jim Revell, Bedford Area Master Gardener Volunteer

Not all vegetables – or vegetable varieties – thrive in Central Virginia! Save time, effort (and disappointment!) by knowing your “USDA Plant Hardiness Zone” and selecting vegetable varieties that thrive in that zone. Drawing from “hands-on” trial and error experience - - and 18+ years' commitment to “organic gardening standards” - - Jim shares about vegetable types and varieties he has found most successful and productive in Central Virginia!

#### **S2C4 - The Wide World of Basil** - Terry Festa, Goochland-Powhatan Master Gardener

If you are a pizza or pesto lover, you have tasted one of our most popular and versatile herbs. In addition to the common types, there's a wide array of basil's that entice us with their delightful scents, flavors, and ornamental value. In this class, basil's history, folklore, and the unique characteristics of over 40 basil's will be presented. Participants will go home with a handout filled with information to be successful at growing and using their favorites, so the class is appropriate for beginners and experts alike.

### **Tour: (costs \$0.00 – included in registration fee)**

#### **S2T1 - Natives Integrated into an Existing Landscape (Garden Tour)** – Linda Toler, Goochland-Powhatan Master Gardener

We know the benefits of native plants, but how do we incorporate them into our existing landscapes? Explore native plants that have been integrated into the campus gardens, their preferred growing conditions, and learn how to effectively integrate them into your gardens.

### **Workshop: (costs \$10.00 extra – For supplies)**

#### **S2W1 - Build a Bird House from Recycled Materials (Workshop)** – Bobbi Lewicki, Goochland-Powhatan Master Gardener

Animate your garden with a one of a kind birdhouse out of recycled materials. Learn how to repurpose everyday items into unique yard art.

## **Session3 - 01:00 – 02:00 P.M. (Choose only one event per session)**

### **Classes: (costs \$0.00 – included in registration fee)**

**S3C1 - Knock Your Garden Clogs Off with Virginia Natives** – Betsy Washington, NNNPS Conservation/Horticulture Chair

Are you interested in adding native plants to your garden, but not sure where to start? Meet some native garden 'stars' that will add beauty, attract pollinators and songbirds to your garden, while reducing garden maintenance. Learn about these natives and how to let them work for you.

**S3C2 - Choosing Aquatic Plants for Water Features** – Charlie Ross, Owner, Virginia Water Gardens

Explore plants that do well in water gardens as well as those to avoid. A professional from Virginia Water Gardens in Fredericksburg will discuss the pros and cons of different aquatic plants and their effect on the ecosystem.

**S3C3 - A Look at Central Virginia's Most Prominent Insects - Month by Month (which insects - "good guys" and "bad" - to look for throughout the growing season!)** - Jim Revell, Bedford Area Master Gardener Volunteer

Insects have a lifespan - some short, some long, some winter over, some produce several generations per year, others only one. Their lifespans, geographic ranges and preferred types of food and habitat may be similar, overlap or differ widely depending on family, species and subspecies. Knowing the most prominent insects ("good guys" and "bad") to anticipate each month throughout the primary growing season (April-October) can help you plan and manage your garden for healthy plants and high yields!

**S3C4 - Vegetable Gardening in Small Spaces** - Bob Whitehead, Environmental Horticulture Associate, Goochland VCE

Do you have little space for growing vegetables, want to try growing a few vegetables before you till up your whole yard for a garden, or have soil so compacted that nothing thrives? Discover budget-friendly ways to grow vegetables in challenging spaces. Learn how to grow veggies in bags of garden soil, make a productive, no-dig/no-till planting area (aka "lasagna garden"), explore ways to grow veggies in containers, raised beds, and more.

### **Tour: (costs \$0.00 – included in registration fee)**

**S3T1 - Shrubs and Small Trees for 4-Season Color (Garden Tour)** – Linda Toler, Goochland-Powhatan Master Gardener

With judicious shrub/tree selection, you can have splashes of color in your garden all year long. Discover easy-to-grow shrubs and small trees which, when combined, can provide year-long color via blossoms, leaves, fruit, or bark. Learn how to effectively use them in your landscape and their preferred growing conditions.

### **Workshop: (costs \$10.00 extra – For supplies)**

**S3W1 - Plant a Hypertufa Succulent Pot (Workshop)** – Phyllis Jacoby, Goochland-Powhatan Master Gardener

For a great new look in container gardening use succulents in pre-made hypertufa pots. Learn about growing succulents for a maintenance free arrangement to be used indoors or outdoors.