

*7<sup>th</sup> District*  
*Federated Garden Club*  
*of New York State*



*Speakers List*  
*(updated March 2025)*

**Bonnie Bullivant**  
**Speakers List Chair**  
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**585-500-8167**

**NOTE:**

Please alert the editor if you know of a speaker who is no longer giving programs or of any additions, changes needed.

**TIP:**

Visit websites, if listed, prior to contacting the speaker.

**Anthony Antes**

545 Conklin Forks Rd. Conklin, NY 13748-1631

607-775-3831/ master gardener

[aantes@stny.rr.com](mailto:aantes@stny.rr.com) zoom only

<http://www.bgcny.org/services.html>

The host reads them to me one-by-one, and I answer.

1. Bulbs, Corms, and Tubers –
2. Caladiums Fantastic Foliage! –
3. Climate Change in NY State -
4. Creating a Butterfly Garden.
5. Cutler Bird Garden -
6. Grasses - Good!
7. Growing Miniature Violets -
8. Growing Scented Geraniums -
9. Hostas -
10. House Plants
11. Hydrangeas -
12. Intelligent Plants - Can plants think?
13. Perennial Gardening -
14. Plant Diseases
15. Putting Your Garden to Bed -
16. Shade Gardening -
17. Starting a Perennial Garden -
18. Taxonomy -
19. Tomatoes/Peppers/Onions/Garlic -
20. Unusual Perennials -
21. Who's that "Shady Lady"? - Fern
22. The Story of Christmas in Plants
23. Celebration of St. Valentine's Day in Plants -.
24. St. Patrick's Day in Plants –
25. The 18th Century Cottage Garden -
26. Non-Gardening presentations:
  - a. Kayaking in the Adirondacks –
  - b. Japanese Woodblock Prints – summer
  - c. Monumental Brasses of England –

Minimum would be 30 – 35 minutes; maximum 75 minutes. A donation in the amount of \$2.00 P/P is considered satisfactory. Send a check made out to “Broome County CCE”.

**Pat Bartholomew**

Call 585-869-5062

cell 585-503-3297

e-mail [pattyj7586@aol.com](mailto:pattyj7586@aol.com)

, demos only

### Succulent or Fairy Garden

Create your own terrarium, dish garden or fairy garden with the assistance of Master Gardeners Sandy Ebberts and Pat Bartholomew. You can bring a container, decorations or use what is on hand. Supplies and succulents will be provided. Class time 1/1/2 hours Fee: \$12.00/ person

### Flower pot Outdoor Arrangements

#### Flower Pounding Workshop

Flower Pounding is the art of taking different color and textured fresh flowers and greenery; then pounding into fabric creating a permanent bouquet design. Master gardeners Pat Bartholomew and Sand Ebberts will be demonstrating and assisting participants making a decorative item. Most supplies will be furnished. Participants need to bring a flat rubber mallet. Everyone will leave with a project. Class is approximately 2 hours. Fee: \$12.00/person

#### Wine Cork Wreath

Make your own cork wreath using wine bottle corks and an 18 inch straw wreath and decorations of your choice, depending upon the season. Corks, straw wreaths, and some decorations can be provided. Master Gardeners Sandy Ebberts and Pat Bartholomew will walk you through the process of turning all those wine corks you have been saving into a lovely wreath. Each wreath requires about 200 corks. Glue guns and glue sticks are needed for this project.

Class time 2 hours

Fee: \$12.00/person

If wine corks are provided by Pat there will be an additional fee of \$11.50/100 corks

#### Build a Wine Cork Birdhouse

Build a wine cork birdhouse with your glue gun. This projects takes about 150 wine corks. Your feathered friends will love it. If corks are provided there will be an additional fee of \$11.50/100 corks. Master gardeners Sandy Ebberts and Pat Bartholomew will assist you in transforming corks into a recycled useful item.

Class time 2 hours

Fee: \$7.00/ person



### **B'S Garden Treasures**

Betty Green

315-789-2911

E-mail: [info@BGTreasures.com](mailto:info@BGTreasures.com)

Website: <http://www.bgtreasures.com>

Before starting need a firm count for supply cost. Daytime is best. Does not do Zoom.

Betty lives in Geneva, NY. She sells pressed flower art at local arts and craft shows. She will share modern pressing techniques she learned through her membership with the Worldwide Pressed Flower Guild. This non-profit organization promotes public education to unite pressed flower artists around the world. Most of the flowers used in her work come from her own garden. She also conducts pressed flower workshops in which participants make cards, bookmarks and related items.

Pressed Flower Art

Fee: workshop is \$75.00 plus distance



### **Bejo Seeds, Inc.**

Dennis Ferlito, manager

Regional Office: 1088 Healey Road, Geneva, NY, 14456

315-789-4155

E-mail: [d.ferlito@bejoseeds.com](mailto:d.ferlito@bejoseeds.com)

Website: <http://www.bejoseeds.com>

Zoom is possible

Bejo Seeds is the largest family-owned producer of seeds for flowers and vegetables having a regional farm in Geneva NY. The farm raises quality, market-specific vegetable seed for retail dealers and seed catalogs. They grow specialty products as well. Visit this interesting farm when their gardens are at peak for their annual field day the end of every August. The display gardens are spectacular. View their research and demonstration fields grown specifically for our upstate climate. Tours are done mid-June through October. They also have areas for clubs to have their meeting on site. Fee: None



## Burroughs Audubon Nature Club Tour

<http://bancny.org/programs.html>

(585) 204-0812

Email: BANCrsvp@gmail.com

The Burroughs Audubon Nature Club (BANC) is an organization dedicated to promoting the natural sciences, ecology and conservation. Your club may visit and hold a meeting at our 30-acre nature sanctuary. Trails and the Irondequoit Creek meander through a variety of habitats. Birds and wildflowers abound. The sanctuary and clubhouse are located between the villages of Pittsford and Victor. Membership 585) 721-4103. / 25, couple 35 /donations accepted



### The Bird House

Liz Magnanti, Manager

3035 Monroe Ave., Rochester, NY 14618

585-264-1550

Email: [info@thebirdhouseny.com](mailto:info@thebirdhouseny.com)

Website: <http://www.thebirdhouseny.com>

Will zoom

Birding Liz provides a wonderful presentation on how to attract birds to our back yard. Liz will bring a variety of birdhouses and seeds with her and explain their uses in attracting different types of birds. A slideshow presentation may be done upon request  
Fee- none



### Bluebirds, John Rogers

323 Seneca St., Oneida, NY 13421

315-363-2771

E-mail: [bluebirdprograms@aol.com](mailto:bluebirdprograms@aol.com) / [bluebirdprograms@aol.com](mailto:bluebirdprograms@aol.com) /

All About Bluebirds and More. by John Rogers, co-founder of the NY State Bluebird Society. This quality PowerPoint presentation includes the life history of the Eastern Bluebird and other birds that nest in bluebird boxes. The focus definitely is on bluebirds, but there is more, too. Sprinkled throughout are a few wildflowers, butterflies, and quotes by some of the great naturalists of the past. With beautiful photographs and sounds this program is of interest to anyone who appreciates

nature. John was the co-founder of the NYS Bluebird Society and he has received numerous awards for his bluebird conservation work. Bluebird Conservatory Award, Hero of conservation Award, member of the Onondaga Audubon Society. Maintained a trail of bluebird boxes north of Syracuse for 40 years He has presented bluebird and nature programs to hundreds of groups in 12 states and 2 Canadian provinces, including for many garden clubs. Fee: \$50 to \$90 depending on distance. BA in biology, retired mid-level banker/ lives with wife Sue in Oneida



## Mark Arpag

585-736-1809: cell / text / mearpag@hotmail.com  
199 Brooklawn Drive, Rochester, NY 14618

Learn how to apply the following topics to better appreciate nature, seasons and our environment.

- Bonsai (Mark has studied the art of bonsai for almost 25 years)
- Arts of Japanese Gardens, viewing stones in the Japanese, Chinese, Korean, and American aesthetic.
- Japanese Art of Display
- Aesthetic Pruning

Mark can do lectures, demonstration, workshops or special programs.

His fees in the \$100-\$300 range are based on what each group would like and materials to be provided. Please contact Mark and he will be happy to work with any group and budget. Please let him know if you need additional information.



## Bread Time Stories and More, Chet Fery

19 Old Elm Drive, Brockport, NY 14420, 585-637-7680, Breadtime 1950@gmail.com

Bread Time Stories and More is a project initiated by Chet Fery, an amateur bread baker, showing how random acts of kindness can change our lives and create a world community that is caring, supportive and secure. Each story is accompanied by a bread recipe that will make 2 loaves of bread, one for the baker and one to share with a relative, friend, colleague or stranger. / in his acts of kindness has donated 100,000 loaves of bread / will give bread lessons/appeared on the Ryan Seacrest show



## Broccolo Garden Center

2755 Penfield Rd (east of Rte. 250)

585-424-4476

E-mail: [info@broccologroup.com](mailto:info@broccologroup.com)

Website: <http://www.broccolotreeandlawn.com>

Will Zoom

They host meetings at their farmhouse and lead walking tours of their gorgeous country setting. They will customize seminars/workshops on site as well. With their “Goodness Grows” program they are happy to sponsor fundraisers for clubs that donates 10% of the proceeds to the club. Call for more information.

- Environmental Landscaping from Rooftops to Rain Gardens
- Audubon Sanctuaries for Bird and Butterfly Habitats in Your Backyard
- Historic Landscape Preservation
- Restoration and Heirloom Gardens
- Arboriculture: Standards for Ornamental Tree Pruning Demonstrations<sup>[1]</sup><sub>SEP</sub>
- Perennial Garden Design
- Art in the Garden
- Containers and more...

Fees range from \$75-\$125 for a 1-hour presentation



## Braddock Bay Bird Observatory

PO Box 12876, Rochester, NY 14612

585-234-3525 (voicemail)

Website: <http://www.bbbo.org>

Braddock Bay Bird Observatory is a non-profit organization dedicated to ornithological research, education and conservation. BBBO is operated entirely by volunteers, with the financial support of members. Their primary research and education facility, the Kaiser Manitou Beach Banding Station, is located on the south shore of Lake Ontario northwest of Rochester, NY. Braddock Bay Bird Observatory is always happy to give tours and programs during the spring and fall season



**Carolyn Brown**

178 Dickinson Rd., Webster, NY 14580

585-671-5228

E-mail: carolyn.brown@frontier.com /

Corsage Workshop or Boutonniere Workshop - Learn to make corsages or boutonnieres as a 'thank-you' for volunteer recognition. The boutonniere workshop lasts about 60 minutes. The corsage workshop will take a little longer. Each club is to provide the desired flowers and foliage for each participating member. Bring clippers, scissors & wire cutters. Fee: \$35. Fee includes wire, floral tape, ribbon (if desired) and other kinds of foliage except flowers.

Consider any of the following designs combinations: / club provides flowers or re-imbusement for flowers

For Boutonnieres:

- one flower per person such as a standard carnation or a rose bud
- leatherleaf fern (one stem for four people) baby's breath.

For Corsages:

- three or more chrysanthemums
- three or more mini carnations
- two standard carnations
- non-bulbous garden flowers
- Flower Arranging Mechanics - Learn tricks for positioning plant material where you want it in a design. Fee: \$50.00 plus 5 more for each 10 miles



**Bonnie Bullivant**

242 Burritt Road, Hilton NY 14468

585-500-8167 / I am a gardener for 40 years and a Family Nurse Practitioner

E-mail: blufowers53@gmail.com / no zoom and no web site

PowerPoint presentations can come with handouts and of 60 minutes or more. Bonnie will provide a digital projector, microphone and screen.

**Alzheimer's: are there ways to stop this?**

Alternatives to Health Care, those that work and those which do not

- **Sedum, Birdbath gardening**
  - **Landscape Lighting**
  - **Clematis/Vines and Ivy**
- Artificial Intelligence; Benefits and some not  
Alternative health care; what are hoaxes and what works

- Tricks with Vegetable Gardening
- Disease Bugs, Safer Solutions
- Diabetes and Nutrition
- Nutrition As We Age
- History of Agriculture
- Garden for Health; Part A = VOC's,
- Garden for health; Part B=Plants
- Water Ponds, Fountains and Moving Water
- Straw Bale Gardening
- Leaf Castings; Cement or Hypertufa
- Birdhouse Feeders and birdbaths
- Pleaching and Arborsculpture
- Container Gardening
- Unusual Wreaths – DIY
- Power of Keystone
- How Did Plants Enter Early Earth
- Flower Gardens Around the World
- Giraffes
- Volcanoes and Earthquakes
- Garden Pathways: Cement, Glass or Hypertufa stepping stone ideas
- Perennial Gardening for Advanced and Beginner
- Unusual ways to spray and brush paint
- Unique and Unusual Garden Ideas (popular class)
- Wall Gardening
- Moss, Crevice and Knock Gardening
- Making Garden Glass (demo)
- Erie Canal
- Lake Ontario #1
- Lake Ontario #2
- Amish and Mennonites; their way of life
- Award Winning Plants
- Butterflies, bees and bats
- Butterflies and Moths
- Monarchs; how they travel and survive
- Bird Myths and Facts
- Animal facts and stories
- Perennial sequence of colors
- Pebble Stone and Wood Pathways
- Boulders, Rocks and Pebbles
- CBD, hemp, terpenes and marijuana (includes a safe way toward health)
- How does your Immunity work?
- The Amazing Hummingbird
- Honey Bees, how far do they travel?
- Plants think and have emotions
- Health and Nutrition in the Garden
- Christmas Around the World
- Living wreath (demo showing 2 types)
- Tabletop fountain demonstration
- Lighthouses around the world
- Worms and Insects in the Garden
- Woodpeckers the Hole Story
- CBD Hemp Terpenes (marijuana is mentioned as an unsafe alternative)
- Tours - her garden has expanded / 2 acres/2000-4000 perennials/ small bubblers and ponds/  
sells potted plants for One dollar
- Anti -inflammation and how it reduces many diseases
- How plants entered our early world
- Understanding Healthcare in the U.S.

Fee: \$75 per hour, extra for mileage if 25 miles or greater  
Call ahead to schedule. Bonnie is developing new topics. Ask for a topic of interest.



### **Cindy Cali**

8 Meadow Wood Drive, Fairport, NY 14450-2826

585-746-8273

E-mail: [ccali@rochester.rr.com](mailto:ccali@rochester.rr.com).

Cindy is a professional gardener and maintains 50 lovely gardens.

- **What Every Homeowner Should Know** – What are the most common mistakes, and what everyone can do themselves (without hiring someone else). It includes information about soil, mulch, shrubs that require less pruning and how to prune your existing shrubs, minimize lawn care, trees, animals, common diseases, insects, includes Asian jumping worms, weeds, perennials and favorite garden tools.
- **The Low-Maintenance Garden** – How to make your existing gardens lower maintenance, and what plants and shrubs are considered low-maintenance, and the care of these low-maintenance plants.
- **How to Take Care of Perennials** - How to take care of each and every perennial in our area! This can be a question-and-answer session!
- **And many more topics if requested/ handouts supplied to club leader prior to event**

Fee: 60.00 plus five if mileage is 20 miles over each 1- hour program.  
Mileage fee of \$5.00 if over 20 miles. Printouts available to take home for a small fee per person for those that would like to take home the information.



### **Michele Catarisano**

Owner – M'Essentials

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Rochester, NY 14623

Cell: 585-329-1312

Email: [Mcatarisano@ymail.com](mailto:Mcatarisano@ymail.com) / demos hands on

Michele is a certified herbalist and owner of M'Essentials, a natural skin and body care business. Michele loves to share her extensive knowledge of herbs and essential oils with others to help enhance their lives and stimulate the senses for the mind, body and throughout the home. As an avid gardener she grows and uses many of her own herbs in her creations. Herbs, essential oils and gardening have been an integral part of her life for over 17 years. Discover how nature's bounty can enhance your life.

**Natural Skin Care** – Michele will teach you how to naturally revitalize your skin! You will learn simple, inexpensive and effective techniques for having beautiful skin using natural ingredients found right in your home. Create a truly therapeutic effect by learning how to compliment with herbs from your garden and essential oils. Through hands – on demonstrations and interactive discussion you will learn how to develop an easy personal skin care regime from head to toe. In addition, find out how to decode the labels of commercial skin care products to make more informed choices. Detailed handouts with recipes will be provided. For a small additional fee per member, your group can also have the opportunity to make a great skin care product to take home.

**Green Your Clean** – Learn how to reduce your reliance on toxic commercial cleaners by using all natural ingredients that can be found right in your pantry! Homemade cleaners are much less expensive than store brought products and are equally effective. They are kinder to you, your family and the environment. Add in some herbs from your garden or essential oils and you have an aromatic, safe and healthy way to clean just about everything. Through hands- on demonstration and interactive discussion, you will learn how to make your own cleaning products and take on home with you! DIY not your cup of tea? That's ok – you will learn how to choose safe alternatives. In addition, discover what's really in those commercial cleaning products – you will be surprised! Detailed handouts with recipes will be provided. For a small additional fee per member, your group can also have the opportunity to make a green cleaning product to take home!

**Essential Oils 101** – Discover the amazing benefits of aromatherapy and essential oils! These natural essences can be an essential part of maintaining a healthy mind, body & soul. Among the many benefits, they can naturally provide pain relief, increase mental focus, relieve stress, promote sleep and balance the body. Through hands-on demonstration and interactive discussion, you will learn how to incorporate essential oils into your everyday life and use them for: common ailments, first aide, mood enhancement and toxic free cleaning. You will experience different essential oils and leave with your senses scintillated. Detailed handouts will be provided. For a small additional fee per member, your group can also have the opportunity to make an aromatherapy product to take home.

Fee: \$50-\$100 per program depending on the size of the club

There is a small milea ge fee for groups outside of Monroe County area

All programs run about 1- 1 1/2 hours and can be tailored to your group's specific preferences regarding time and the amount of content. Customized programs are also available upon request



## **Richard J. Cook**

Landscape Design Contractor

88 Tyringham Drive, Rochester, NY 14617

585-544-9715 E-mail: josserandii@gmail.com

- **Highland Park Arboretum** - garden tour  
Slide presentations:
  - **Durand Eastman Arboretum**- garden tour
- **Botanical Gardens** – Buffalo, Hamilton, Arnold Longwood, Cornell, Hershey
- **Native Pines**
- **Nut Tree and Minor Fruits**
- **Mushrooms**

- **Below Grade** - how to dig trees, what to do with plants, what to look for in foundation plantings  
Fee: \$150, mileage outside Monroe Country



## Cornell Cooperative Extension of Genesee County

**Jan Beglinger**, Agriculture Outreach Coordinator  
420 East Main St., Batavia, NY 14020  
585-343-3040 x132 E-mail: [jmb374@cornell.edu](mailto:jmb374@cornell.edu)  
<http://genesee.cce.cornell.edu>

The Genesee County Master Gardeners has a speaker's bureau. Master Gardeners will present programs to Garden Clubs. Programs are generally about an hour long although they have some longer or shorter. They generally speak within Genesee County. The cost is \$50 for a speaker (includes mileage). For surrounding counties (Wyoming, Orleans, Monroe, Livingston) the cost would be higher to compensate for mileage.

Some of the topics they have given in the past include:

- **Hostas**
- **Beneficial Insects**
- **Unusual Container Gardens**
- **Garden Weeds (ID & Control)**
- **Herbs**
- **Putting Gardens to Bed (fall maintenance)**
- **Perennial Gardening**
- **Lasagna Gardening (20-30 min)**
- **Autumn Awesomeness**
- **Assessing your garden**
- **invasive species**

Topics are dependent upon particular MG availability. It is good to give them as much time as possible to book. No last-minute requests, please.



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## Cornell Cooperative Extension –Monroe County Master Gardeners

2449 St. Paul Blvd., Rochester, NY 14617  
Ashly Piedmont/ [ap824@cornell.edu](mailto:ap824@cornell.edu) and 585-753-2558

We provide zoom as an option in most of our presentations

Our main website is: <http://monroe.cce.cornell.edu/>

Master Gardener page: <http://monroe.cce.cornell.edu/Master-Gardeners>  
Specifically, speaker's bureau: <http://monroe.cce.cornell.edu/horticulture/speakers-bureau>  
<http://monroe.cce.cornell.edu/resources/virtual-programs-spring-summer-master-gardener>  
<http://monroe.cce.cornell.edu/resources/in-person-master-gardener-programs-spring-summer-2021>



### **Cornell Plantations, Kevin Moss**

607-254-7430 / 607-255-2400

E-mail: [km274@cornell.edu](mailto:km274@cornell.edu)

124 Comstock Knoll Drive Ithaca, NY 14850

Website: [cornellbotanicgardens.org](http://cornellbotanicgardens.org)

This is a listing of current garden areas to tour. The visitor center construction is complete and all gardens are now accessible, a separate construction project. The Brian C. Nevin Welcome Center is now open, featuring exhibits, classrooms. Contact Kevin for group tours.

- **Robison York State Herb Garden**
  - **Martha Howell Young Flower & Decorative Arts Garden**
  - **Groundcover Garden**
  - **Clement Gray Bowers Rhododendron Collection**
  - **Walter C. Heasley Rock Garden**
  - **Muriel B. Mundy Wildflower Garden**
  - **Pounder Vegetable Garden**
  - **Treman Woodland Walk**
  - **Mullestein Family Winter Garden**
  - **Zucker Shrub Collection**
  - **FR Newman Arboretum**
- Fee: \$20/person  
General admission free



### **Cornell University Cooperative Extension**

Office 607-254-5137 | Cell 703-907-9113

[Samara.Sit@cornell.edu](mailto:Samara.Sit@cornell.edu) | [cals.cornell.edu](http://cals.cornell.edu)

<https://cals.cornell.edu/cornell-cooperative-extension/local-offices>

open web site and will see a list of speakers for Cornell



## **Joanne Crosman**

2538 Skelly Road, Caledonia, NY 14423

585-538-6066

E-mail: [jcrosman@rochester.rr.com](mailto:jcrosman@rochester.rr.com)

**Topic “The Hive to Home”** program

I will use a speaker fee of \$75 plus materials, which is based on a per person basis.

Joanne Crosman is a beekeeper from caledonia who has been practicing her craft for over 25 years. Her interest in beekeeping started as a direct marketing study in agricultural commodities, namely honey and beeswax. The information she learned from her project helped her with her career as an agricultural lender, as she gained useful insight her farmers and growers faced during the production year. Over time, she developed a product line through her Log Cabin Acres label that continues to expand as time goes on. This presentation called “The Queen and her Court – what really goes on in he hive” expounds the honeybee culture and reflects Joanne’s many years of experience working with the bees. A corresponding hands on work shop for those interested in making beeswax candles will be available later in the day. Enjoy an entertaining approach on bee culture and find out just what the “buzz” is on the bees!



## **DAVEY TREE EXPERT**

Landscaping

Caryl Peck owner/ 585-0760

Certified Arborist/ arborculturist

[Caryl.peck@davey.com](mailto:Caryl.peck@davey.com)

88 Silver Street, Rochester 14611

Will zoom

Topics

**Tree, plant, shrub, turf planting and maintenance**

Fee... coffee and a sandwich

## **DEPARTMENT of ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION (Avon)**

Betsy Ukeritis, environmental Educator for educational activities with students and adults

315-426-7532, cell 315-314-0768

Email [betsy.Ukeritis@DEC.NY.GOV](mailto:betsy.Ukeritis@DEC.NY.GOV)

DEC has several topics of interest but staff is limited to conduct outreach activities

(Will zoom)

**FORESTRY** (emerald ash bore and other invasive species)

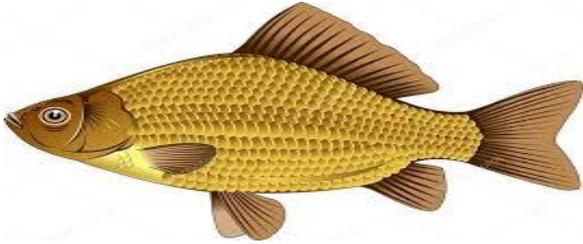
**FISH and WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT**

**PESTICIDES** (application and disposal)

**WASTE MANAGEMENT**

**LAW ENFORCEMENT/ environmental quality** (water, land, brownfields, air pollution  
**SUSTAINABILITY** (recycling, less plastic, cloth containers, plants that remediate soil  
making land more environmentally friendly)

**Plants that remediate**



## **MARTHA DOLAND**

585-314-6292

[Mdolan3@rochester.rr.com](mailto:Mdolan3@rochester.rr.com)

No Zoom

Martha visited England and saw the Chelsea Flower show in 2014

She has put together a program on this

Fee \$60.00



## **George Eastman Museum**

900 East Avenue

Rochester, NY 14607

To Book Your Tour Contact: **Visitor Services Department**

**327-4800**

Dan Bellavia 327-4853/ head gardener/ does zoom

Topics taught;

Behind the scene of Dutch Connection

History of the Building and the gardens

General History of the Gardens

Web: <http://www.eastman.org/>

Docent-led group tours of the gardens or the house & gardens are available.



## James Ecker, Hosta Nursery

25 Sutter's Run, Chili 14624 /585-469-9056/ [fmule@rochester.rr.com](mailto:fmule@rochester.rr.com)

gives tours of his Hostas and his well landscaped yard with a koi pond  
he is very knowledgeable and will teach the best way to maintain hosta  
sells hostas at the public market/  
member of the Genesee Valley Hosta Society and Western NY Hosta Society/ he sells from his home by  
appointment/ over 100 varieties / many hostas are sold in containers



His Father.... Bob Ecker has beautiful specimens of ornamental trees and maples  
274 Oakdale Drive, Webster, NY 14580/ 585-671-2397



## Ellwanger Garden

Landmark Society Tours

625 Mt. Hope Avenue, Rochester, NY

Website: <http://www.landmarksociety.org>

Horticulturist; Lauri Ducharme

585-546-7029

Cindy Boyer Director of Programs/ [cboyer@landmarksociety.com](mailto:cboyer@landmarksociety.com)

Ellwanger Garden is a "living museum." Originally the private garden of famed 19th-century horticulturist George Ellwanger, it was cultivated by the Ellwanger family from 1867 to 1982. The garden is open during the Lilac Festival weekends and in June for Peony Weekend. The garden can also be viewed other times by appointment for groups of 6 or more. To schedule a group tour, please call Cindy 585-537-5953 fee ; please discuss (relative to number in groups)



## **Gardner, Nellie**

Cell:716-830-7555

Email: [Ngardner2@rochester.rr.com](mailto:Ngardner2@rochester.rr.com) / [www.flower.fields.com](http://www.flower.fields.com)

Nellie will be running a small flower field in Spencerport

She is working at Gray Cliff and the Martin House and gives tours at both places.

Nellie provides talks on: The sharpest tool in the Shed, and Pruning for strength and beauty  
Wreath making appears in Better Homes and Country Gardens magazine in the fall of 2018  
specialties/ pruning/ grow a cutting garden/solve a problem with plants or neighbors/story telling about  
historic properties



## **Genesee Country Village & Museum**

1410 Flint Hill Road, Mumford, NY 14511

Valerie Levine/ 585-294-8277/ [vlevine@GCV.org](mailto:vlevine@GCV.org)

Website: <https://www.gcv.org>

The Genesee Country Village and Museum is a 19th-century living history museum covering more than 600 acres. It is located in the small hamlet of Mumford, New York. Check out their heirloom gardens. Eye-catching blossoms, fragrant herbs, luscious fruits and rows upon rows of colorful vegetables all vie for your attention. They're also used regularly by village interpreters for preparing meals in the historic kitchens, dyeing fibers, and making decorations and craft projects. Call for fee.



## **Genesee Land Trust**

46 Prince Street, Suite LL005, Rochester NY 14607

585-256-2130

E-mail: [info@geneseeandtrust.org](mailto:info@geneseeandtrust.org)

Website: [www.geneseelandtrust.org](http://www.geneseelandtrust.org) (<http://www.geneseelandtrust.org/events.html>)

**Genesee Land Trust** is the Rochester region's local land trust. It protects over 4000 acres of woods, wetlands, working farmland, scenic, recreational, historical land and waterways for the public good. Staff members would be happy to visit your club. Programs include:

- **What a Land Trust Does**, the history and how it protects the local environment
- **Current and Future Projects**
- **Trust grants, sponsorship, fundraising and membership**
- **Events planned for fun** to foster camaraderie among volunteers



### **Genesee Region Orchid Society**

Website: [www.GeneseeRegionOrchidSociety.org](http://www.GeneseeRegionOrchidSociety.org)

Can contact on Facebook/ Genesee Region Orchid Society

David Weiss is Orchid talks coordinator

[Dweiss2@rochester.rr.com](mailto:Dweiss2@rochester.rr.com)

585-738-0413

Several speakers;  
Orchids in a greenhouse  
Orchids on the windowsill  
Orchids under lights



### **Genesee Valley Pond and Koi Association**

[jlbehlau@gmail.com](mailto:jlbehlau@gmail.com)

**web;** [GVPKC.shutterfly.com](http://GVPKC.shutterfly.com)

answers by phone or email

topics: life around the pond to include frogs, Koi, aquatic plants, turtles, insects



### **Grace Gardens, Tom & Kathy Rood**

1064 Angus Road, Penn Yan, NY 14527

Cell 315 695-0123

E-mail: [tom@gracegardens.com/](mailto:tom@gracegardens.com) tomandkathy@reagan.com

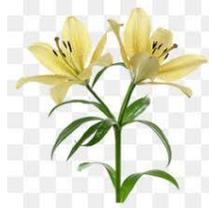
Website: [www.gracegardens.com](http://www.gracegardens.com) \

No Zoom

www.gracegardens.com a 5-Acre, 2300 daylilies/ American Daylily Society Displays in the heart of the Finger Lakes Region of west-central NY. USDA Zone 6a/ presents all over eastern US and Canada

**Daylilies** - This is a 45-minute PowerPoint beautiful presentation about daylilies. Teases how to plant, hybridizing plants

Grace Garden is open for free tours July through early August. Fee: -50 if within 50 miles. Extra for longer distances



### **Kevin and Colleen Griffith**

61 Grandview Lane, Rochester, NY 14612

585-225-7004

E-mail: [ckgrif@frontiernet.net](mailto:ckgrif@frontiernet.net)

- **Birds and Birding in the Finger Lakes National Forest**
- **35 Years and Counting – Birding in the Genesee Region**
- **Birds in Your Garden**
- **Birds Through the Seasons**
- **Hawks & Owls of the Rochester Area**
- **Populations & Ecology of the American Kestrel**
- **Winter Birds**
- Fee \$85.00



### **Dolores Hofmann**

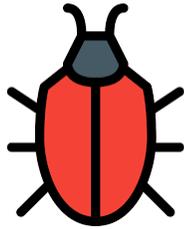
36 White cliff Drive, Pittsford, NY 14534

585-385-1749

E-mail: [dhofmann98@yahoo.com](mailto:dhofmann98@yahoo.com)

She is a retired Academic Program Director of the Secretarial and Computer Studies. Her garden has been on several tours. She has propagated about 95 percent of the plantings in her yard, and has designed the gardens. Her yard is registered in Washington as a Backyard Wildlife Habitat. She is also a past president of the Knickerbocker Hill Garden Club.

- **Don't Bug Me (gardening without pesticides)**
- **Do's & Don'ts of Gardening**  
Fee: \$45, plus mileage



## Hurd Orchards

Susan Machamer & Amy Machamer  
17260 Ridge Road, Holley, NY 14470  
585-638-8838

E-mail: amy.machamer@gmail.com

Website: [www.hurdorchards.com](http://www.hurdorchards.com)

585-638-8838

zoom is possible

Our farm is open from mid-May through December 24th. WEDNESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY  
11:00-3:00.

Hurd Orchards is a 200-year-old, multi-generational, fruit and flower farm, cannery and bakery of 20 acres. Our charming market is filled with tasty, natural and handmade foods, flowers and thoughtfully chosen table accents including a curated linens collection. We host on farm thematic luncheons in our historic barn during the growing season which feature the harvest of our very own farm and creative, wholesome recipes from our own kitchens. We are available to speak on many topics including historic and contemporary fruits, growing herbs and cut flowers both fresh and dried, taking inspiration from the land in floral arranging and in regional and heritage foodways. The most vibrant, informational and inspired programs that we offer take place on our farm as our entire environment - our lovely barn, gardens, floral arrangements, market, and any foods served - are uplifting and invigorated with seasonal expression.'

Hours:

open mid-May through December 24th ( mid-May - end of October for programs)

Wednesday through Saturday 11:00-3:00

Tours and demonstrations are available:

- **Historic Fruits, Currants and Gooseberries, Native Fruits, Heirloom Apples**
- **Growing Herbs**
- **Flowers - Cut & Dried, How to Grow & Dry Them: Hydrangeas; Lilacs; Old Roses; Cottage Flowers; Arranging from the Landscape**
- **Demonstrations of vinegar making, tasting, and canning.**
- **Cooking & Arrangements**

Fee: varies with group



## Hydroponics / Bolton Hydroponics Farm and Greenhouse

422 Huffer Road, Hilton, NY 14468

585-303-4599/ [Jogn@boltonfarms@frontier.com](mailto:Jogn@boltonfarms@frontier.com)

Year-round fresh greens and herbs  
Website to contact; Boltonfarms.org  
Website to order online; BoltonFarms.gofarmmarket.com  
Does not directly sell to public



## **CAROLE HUTHER**

[Chuther165@gmail.com](mailto:Chuther165@gmail.com)

585-455-2467 fee ask

Owls: How much do you know about owls? In-person or zoom  
Spring woodland wildflowers - ever wonder how a flower got its name.  
In-person or zoom. Requires a screen or blank wall for in-person talk



## **Michael Kopicki**

872-5558/ 1884 State Rd, Webster, NY 14580  
Landscape design and beekeeper/ tours and talks  
Not available until 2024



## **Jack Kowiak**

33 Charisma Drive  
Rochester, NY 14606  
585-247-8799  
Email: [97blueberries@gmail.com](mailto:97blueberries@gmail.com)  
Website: [www.jackkowiak.com](http://www.jackkowiak.com)

Entertaining PowerPoint talks presented in-person or via Zoom. Speaker fee \$50 (depending on travel distance). Jack is a retired market research manager from Eastman Kodak who loves to research plants. Jack is an experienced presenter who strives to make his talks both entertaining and educational.

1) The History of Gardening - how gardens have evolved through history from the ancient Egyptians to modern times.

- 2) Amazing Backyard Plants - the amazing facts behind three common plants you likely have in your own backyard.
- 3) Iroquois Gardeners - the unique approaches our local Haudenosaunee Indians used to grow and tend their gardens.
- 4) Man's Most Valued Plants - discusses the most important plants on our planet today and why they are so critical.
- 5) Your Buggy Neighbors - learn more about those fascinating bugs you share your yard with
- 6) Bug Society - the surprising ways insects in your yard live and work together
- 7) Your Thirsty Plants - all about how your plants take in and use water.
- 8) Plant Science & Scientists – learn about the many different scientists who study plants and some of their fascinating discoveries
- 9) Gardening with Mother Nature - harness the power of Mother Nature by utilizing the latest concepts in companion planting, no till gardening, natural pesticides/herbicides, and more.
- 10) Tougher Plants - Why are some plants more immune to frost, hot sun, poor soil, drought, and other ills, while others need the tenderest care and attention? Find out what goes on inside those tough plants that make them so resilient.

**Indoor Plant Care Dorcus Ann Lydon** (she goes by Ann)

434 Ridge Road, Webster NY 14580 585-671-6230

**Indoor Plant Care:** Ann gives interesting and knowledgeable presentations on growing indoor plants. Select from topics: jade trees, bamboo (“evergreen”), hoya, oxalis and other assorted houseplants. Call for more information and needs. Fee: \$50.



**International Peace Garden Foundation**

Paula Savage, International President

8 Allanview Drive, Batavia, New York 14020

585-343-2387, [paula.savage@ipgf.org](mailto:paula.savage@ipgf.org)/ [www.IPGF.org](http://www.IPGF.org)

Established in 1992, the International Peace Garden Foundation is a nonprofit organization, established to advance global friendship and international understanding through the creation of peace gardens and cultural programs around the world. A tour of Batavia’s or Charlotte’s peace gardens near the Lighthouse can be requested. These gardens are honorary gardens. A power point presentation discusses the history of peace gardens reflecting happenings in the world. Globally there are 23 peace gardens and one is in Washington DC. All work is done by volunteers



## K.C. Fahy-Harvick

*Perennial and Aquatics Expert*

*Lecturer, Garden Design, Install, and Maintenance*

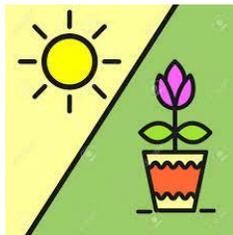
*(585) 729-1419 E-mail: [kcjh60@gmail.com](mailto:kcjh60@gmail.com)*

*[www.gardeningsmatters.com](http://www.gardeningsmatters.com)*

KC's depth of knowledge stems from her experience as founder and owner of Hawk's Nest Nursery, where she created a unique setting for gardeners seeking perennials and water plants. She now runs Gardening Matters, which is built on the innovative use of perennials in design, and maintenance techniques developed over decades of hands-on experience.

- 1) **Spring Into Action** - 5 Steps to Maintenance-free Gardens. Less chemicals, less water, less time.
  - 2) **Container Gardening** - Put pizzazz in your porch/entry decorating, or in your gardens. Using perennials and annuals, and some deer-proof ideas.
  - 3) **Winter Containers** - Learn the secrets to successful winter arranging for all winter beauty.
  - 4) **The 4 Season Garden** - perennials that stretch the color in your garden and ideas for winter interest.
  - 5) **Color in the Shade** - unusual shade plants, using texture and foliage for color and interest, and the special growing requirements of the shade garden.
  - 6) **The Healthy Gardener** - Tools and techniques for Gardening without pain and discomfort. Many years of hands-on experience shared.
  - 7) **Ponds Pure and Simple** - water gardening without chemicals or gimmicks. Ponds, waterfalls, and container water gardens.
  - 8) **The Master Plan** - the benefits of putting together a property plan, featuring a stunning Skaneateles property.
  - 9) **The Mighty Makeover** - The secrets to restoring, or redoing an old overgrown garden or landscape for years of enjoyment and curb appeal
- FEE is 150.00 for local requests

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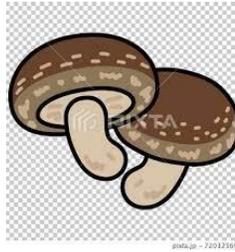
## Kettle Ridge Farm (maple syrup and honey)

Joe Hurley 515 Log Cabin Road, Victor, NY 14564

E-mail: [Joe@KettleRidgeFarm.com](mailto:Joe@KettleRidgeFarm.com)

585-683-7506, 585-217-7108, [www.kettleridgefarm.com](http://www.kettleridgefarm.com)

Kettle Ridge Farm in Victor NY is where they make maple syrup from their trees and honey from their beehives. They also grow shiitake mushrooms on logs. Joe presents an interesting and informative photo slide show to garden clubs and service clubs.



## **Gerald Kral**

900 N Winton Road, Rochester, NY 14609  
585-288-5082  
E-mail gerraldkral123@gmail.com

**GERRY'S GARDEN TOUR** – His amazing gardens feature meandering paths amid unusual plants and trees, dwarf conifers, raised beds, water gardens, whimsical garden art, stonework, etc. Bring camera, pen and pad. Plan to spend time. This is a must-see tour so book early.

Fee: \$25 - \$50

Indoor presentations to clubs:

### **1. ROCKING WITH ROCKS**

It explores why we do rock gardens. Basic construction, rock placement and copying nature when building your own are covered in a non-technical style. It covers ways to make rock gardens look better and present plant treasures in the best possible “frames”. The presentation usually takes an hour but can be lengthened or shortened as desired.



### **2. CONIFERS; WHAT EVERY WELL-DRESSED ROCK GARDEN IS WEARING**

Conifers can add an aesthetic to a rock garden impossible to achieve with other plants. This presentation introduces exciting new ways to plant conifers to be enjoyed even in the tiniest crevice or ledge. There are dozens of conifers that will fit even the smallest rockery.



### **3. Creating A LUSH GARDEN?**

This presentation explores a few tricks anyone can use to give your garden that “wow” appearance. The correct use of special conifers is key to adding that lush factor to your plantings. Using raised beds and rock gardens can triple your plant density creating a lush layered effect. Conifers are always dramatic and add drama when almost everything else is dormant.

### **4. NO ROOM OR LOTS OF ROOM...CONTAINER ROCKERIES FIT IT ALL**

All kinds of containers are explored with their good qualities and bad. The correct container with the right plants can add as much to your landscape as a large specimen plant or rockery (with some advantages). Conifer miniatures and dwarfs are ideal for this. Add a few select rocks and you have a small-scale rockery that can go for decades before needing any adjustment.

#### 5. GARDENING IS A FINE ART: WHY STOP WITH JUST PLANTS?

Creating a rock garden is much like doing a painting. Instead of painting on canvas, rocks and plants are placed in soil to create beauty. Use an “objet d’art” to add whimsy, style, and comfort to your rockery. Learn what to avoid and what to embrace. Personalize your garden and put a smile on the faces of your visitors.

Jerry will need electrical outlet and extension cord (if necessary) & a screen. All presentations are on PowerPoint which he will provide. Presentations usually takes an hour but can be lengthened or shortened as desired. Presentations usually take an hour but can be adjusted. A \$50 honorarium is appreciated but this is negotiable. A mileage fee may apply if over 40 miles



#### **Susan Krobussek**

5950 King Hill Drive, Farmington, NY 14425

585-924-3729

E-mail sakrobusek@gmail

Note: Susan trained as a Master Gardener. Prefer daytime; will do nighttime in Victor Canandaigua-Farmington area.

Special program requests accepted.

- **Planting for Fall Interest**
- **Roses - Easier Than You Think**
- **Adding Winter Interest to the Garden**
- **New Plant Introductions - spring/summer**
- **New Seed Introductions - winter/spring**
- **Floral Design for Wimps** - late spring through early fall; bring your own container and clippers, and flowers from your yard to work with.
- **The Uncommon Common Violet**
- **How to grow Clematis** (in progress)
- **Putting Your Garden to Bed for the Winter**
- **Stan Hywet Hall: An English Manor House in Ohio** - A look at the home of the Seiberling family, founders of Goodyear Tire & Rubber in Akron, Ohio. Slides of the house and gardens; biographical and historical info about the family.
- **A Trip to Holland** - The Aalsmeer Flower Auction and the Keukenhof Gardens. Scenes from the Aalsmeer Flower Auction outside Amsterdam (the world's largest cut flower auction) and the famous Keukenhof Gardens, where every spring Dutch bulb growers put on an outdoor floral display attended by people from all over the world.

**Fee:** Honorarium, mileage for long distances



**High Acres in Perinton Landfill**

Nicole Simonetti/ [nsimonet@wm.com](mailto:nsimonet@wm.com)  
Community Relations Manager  
585-421-6221/ c 585-402-5614  
425 Perinton Parkway, Fairport, NY 14450  
E-mail: [highacres@wm.com](mailto:highacres@wm.com)  
Website: [www.highacreslandfill.wm.com](http://www.highacreslandfill.wm.com)

We continue to host an annual open house, but it now rotates between our High Acres and Mill Seat facilities. It is always the last Thursday in July from 3-7 unless stated otherwise. In 2016, the Open House will be at Mill Seat and in 2017 it will be at High Acres.

**High Acres Landfill & Recycling Center Tour** – See up-to-date environmental practices. Biannual Open House and Information Fair will take place the last Thursday in July for 2017. Also, private tours other times by appointment only. Group must provide own transportation. Open Monday -Friday, 8 am–4 pm with last tour starting at 3 pm. Free



**Mill Seat in Churchville Landfill**

Nicole Simonetti 585-421-6221  
Brew Road, Bergen, NY 14416-9310  
E-mail: [nsimonet@wm.com](mailto:nsimonet@wm.com)  
Websites: [www.millseatlandfill.wm.com](http://www.millseatlandfill.wm.com)

**Mill Seat Landfill Tour** – See up-to-date environmental practices. Open House and Information Fair at Mill Seat is Thursday, July 27, 2016 from 3:00-7:00 p.m. Also, private tours other times by appointment only. Limited number of 7, or more with transportation. Open Monday -Friday, 8 am–4 pm with last tour starting at 3 pm. Free

**Labor of Love Flower Farm, Amy Priestley (Knickerbocker)**

1702 Murray RD, Victor, NY 14564

(585) 626-0978, Labor of Love Flower Farm - Local Harvest

Topics (power point) Does not do zoom

Web [www.lolflowerfarmny.com](http://www.lolflowerfarmny.com)

Can give presentations in her barn or come to the garden club

Best time to see dahlias August 15<sup>th</sup> to October 10<sup>th</sup>

**General gardening basics**

**Container gardening**

**How to grow cut flowers**

**Expose of flower industry; economists, supply chain, local farmers**

Is growing dahlias, wholesale only

Will be expanded to peonies, hydrangeas, woody ornamentals

Will do tours/ can sell dahlias while on tour/ cash only

Fee 75/ group/ 10 per person

Please call Amy for details.



## LANDMARK SOCIETY

See list of events (some are zoom)

Architecture, rocks and trips abroad

<https://www.landmarksociety.org/upcoming-events/list/>



## Joan Lanier

Garden Design by Joan Lanier

27 Tobey Court, Pittsford, NY 14534

585-586-6873 Joan studied in Japan

E-mail: [garden@rochester.rr.com](mailto:garden@rochester.rr.com)

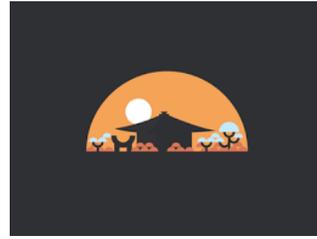
Website: [www.JoanLanierDesign.com](http://www.JoanLanierDesign.com)

(All are slide presentations. Has thumb-drive and HDMI cord/Clubs to provide screen.)

- **Landscaping Your Historic Home for 21st Century Living** - explore how a homeowner might approach the landscaping of an historic home.

- **Japanese Garden Design.**

Fee: \$ 100.00 plus



**Linwood Gardens**

Contact Holly Watson

Cell 585-245-2982

Email [linwoodgardens191@gmail.com](mailto:linwoodgardens191@gmail.com)

[www.Linwoodgardens.org](http://www.Linwoodgardens.org) (can register via)

Facebook/Instagram Linwood gardens

These historic gardens, designed in the early 1900s on Gratwick’s private family estate, feature a distinguished collection of tree peonies. The estate is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The public is invited to the Tree Peony Festival of Flowers held annually the end of May through the beginning of June. (See [www.LinwoodGardensn.org](http://www.LinwoodGardensn.org). for specific dates).and is listed on the New York State Register of Historic Places. It is best viewed at the Festival of Flowers held annually the end of May through the beginning of June. (Check for specific dates.). Suggested contribution, \$10. Guided tour, \$15

Select dates throughout the summer

**Reservations required**



**Sandra Lovell**

239 Avalon Drive, Rochester, NY 14618-2219

(585) 242-9494

E-mail [skayelovell@gmail.com](mailto:skayelovell@gmail.com)

Sandra is a member or Colony Garden Club. She is also the Committee Chair of Arboriculture.

- **AVALON GARDENS TOUR -lasts one hour plus / have your garden club meeting at 239 Avalon Fee: \$75,**



## Nancy Marrer

615-1696/ Root Tenders Garden Nursery/

[Theroottender@gmail.com](mailto:Theroottender@gmail.com)/ will do Zoom if applicable

Professor at RIT

Teaches how to grow mushrooms at home

Certified perma culturist

Teacup fairy garden

Herbs

Growing from seeds (using an LED lite)

Teaches at the nursery or at a club

Tour of her nursery



## Angie Masciangelo

585-352-0505

Email [masciangelo2@yahoo.com](mailto:masciangelo2@yahoo.com)

No zoom. Will come to garden clubs (pending Covid)

Fee(negotiable)

Angie is a member of the Dahlia Society,

Topics:

Dahlias

Color in the garden all seasons

Flower Arrangements

Wreath making; several themes to include Easter and Christmas

will present talks Time about 45 minutes or as you wish.

Depending upon the time of year either bulbs or bouquets are available



## Fran Murphy Orchids

6815 Aldridge Rd, Victor, NY 14564-9339

585-924-7763

E-mail: [francism@frontiernet.net](mailto:francism@frontiernet.net)

Can zoom

Fran raises and sells orchids primarily. He also grows mixed tropical plants. His program includes demonstrations on all aspects of orchid care. He provides his own materials and handouts and may bring a few orchids to sell. He will come to your club but does not give tours of his greenhouse.

Fran is also a serious mountain climber. In the past seven years he has climbed **Kilimanjaro** in Tanzania, **Everest** and **Kala Pattar** in Nepal, **Mona Kea** in Hawaii and **Aconcagua** in Argentine. He can speak on, “*What you see on the way to the Summit!*” / He searched for a Vanda orchid in Hawaii that grows as a wildflower/ he has a collection of 900 orchids in his Gothic Arch Greenhouse of 2000 square feet/  
 Fee: call. Mileage: no fee if within 20 miles



## Megan Meyer

61 Henderson Drive, Penfield, NY 14526

585-734-5082

E mail meganmeyer12@gmail.com

Website: [gardenthroughtheseasons.com](http://gardenthroughtheseasons.com) (no www.)

Talks of climate change and ethical stewardship of our landscapes

**Megan Meyer is a master gardener teaches at Rochester Civic Center**

All are PowerPoint presentations. Megan will provide the laptop and projector. Garden clubs should provide a screen, table to put laptop and projector on and an extension cord hooked to power strip (two outlets) for laptop and projector. Fee is \$75 for each program.

- **Bulbs** - Bulbs can bring color into the garden in early April and May when many of our perennials are just getting started Learn about some of Megan’s favorites that extend bloom season in gardens from early spring into fall.
- **Gardening in Containers** - To downsize our living and garden space, consider gardening in containers. It is less work and creates wonderful accents to patios, decks, and windows. This is a visual tour of some creative combinations of flowers, herbs and vegetables from Botanical and private gardens known for their container plantings.
- **Shade Gardening** - ‘The garden of the future will be a shade garden, for all kinds of reasons – fiscal, historical and most of all environmental’ Ken Druse, *The Natural Shade Garden*. Shade gardening is a more relaxed casual kind of garden with limitless opportunities for interest and beauty through the seasons. This PowerPoint covers small trees and shrubs as well as perennials and bulbs for shade.
- **Shrubs and Small Trees for Structure in the Garden**. When we think of gardens it is the perennials and annuals that stand out. A well thought out garden has structure and beauty through the seasons, even in winter. Adding a few interesting shrubs and small trees to your garden will give you some wonderful spring and summer flowers, fall leaf color and wonderful structure through the winter months. I will share some of my favorite shrubs and small trees that can enhance your perennial gardens and home landscape.
- **Top Annuals to Grow from Seed**. Annuals enhance the perennial garden and keep on blooming through frost. Some hard-to-find varieties are very easy to grow from seed. I will share varieties I like to use in the garden, my seed starting process and how they are integrated into a perennial garden.
- **Garden Design; A personal Journey**. Every garden has a story to tell. It is also the story of the gardener who plants and nurtures it. This takes you through my garden’s humble beginnings to a mature landscape.



**Monroe County Department of Environmental Services**  
**Meagan Evans-Saurini**  
Environmental Educator  
Email: [meaganevanssaurini@monroecounty.gov](mailto:meaganevanssaurini@monroecounty.gov)

**Montezuma Audubon Center**

Chris Lajewski, Center Director Montezuma Audubon Center  
2295 State Route 89, PO Box 187, Savannah, NY 13146  
Program Director, Onondaga Lake Conservation Corps  
Office: 315.365.3588  
Mobile: 315.702.3621  
clajewski@audubon.org  
<http://montezuma.audubon.org>  
<http://ny.audubon.org/OLCC>  
will do Zoom

This enjoyable and informative program highlights the importance of the Montezuma Audubon Center (MAC) and its role as a conservation hub at the Montezuma Wetlands Complex, one of the largest conservation projects in the nation. This wetlands, forests, grasslands and farmland provide critical habitat for migratory waterfowl, Bald Eagles and other threatened and endangered species. Programs can also include making backyards and communities more bird friendly and gardening for the birds and bees.

The Montezuma Audubon Center is a state-owned facility operated through a cooperative agreement between the NYS DEC and the Audubon Society. The MAC houses a large exhibit area, classroom, nature store, live animals, office area, auditorium, and a meeting room. On its 198 acres, there are five types of habitats, two restored freshwater marshes, two miles of hiking trails, and an all-access observation platform. The MAC leads many educational programs and is open from Tuesday to Saturday from 10 am – 4 pm year-round.

Fee: Honorarium and mileage reimbursement are greatly appreciated to support this non-profit organization and conservation projects at Montezuma.



**Mt. Hope Cemetery**

1133 Mt. Hope Avenue, Rochester, NY 14620  
585-461-3494

www.fomh.org  
Chris Petote  
Friends of Mount Hope  
Secretary Board of Trustees  
Special Tours Coordinator  
chrispetote.fomh@gmail.com

**Mount Hope Cemetery Walking Tours** - two-hour walking tours of this famous cemetery, May - October. Terrain is rough and appropriate shoes are recommended. Fee: call



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### **Larry Nau**

#### **Bergen Water Gardens and Nursery**

25 Knollwood Drive, Churchville, NY 14428

Cell: 585-202-1815

E-mail: lnau5050@gmail.com

Website: www.bergenwatergardens.com

Will zoom

Larry is the past President of the American Conifer Society and the past Executive Director of the International Waterlily & Water Gardening Society. Programs are slide and PowerPoint presentations with some handouts. Also, consider visits to Bergen Water Gardens during July and August. (Best time for lotus blooming) Bergen is home to the largest collection of lotus outside of China, especially micro lotus. It is also home to a large carnivorous plant collection with a few orchids.

- **Introduction To Water Gardening** - Success with Water Plants, Invisible Foundations And Aquatics
- **Container Gardens**
- **Lotus of China and USA, Introduction to Micro Lotus**
- **Dwarf Conifers in Your Garden**  
**Carnivorous Plants in your home and garden**

Fee: \$40 is sent to Bergen Swamp Preservation Society



**Ontario County Soil and Water Conservation District**  
Contact Alaina Robarge

480 N Main Street, Canandaigua, NY 14424

585-396-1450,

E-mail: [Alaina.robarge@ontswcd.com](mailto:Alaina.robarge@ontswcd.com)

(All are free)

- **Backyard Habitat for Wildlife** – How to entice the animals you want and minimize damage from those you don't.
  - **Aquatics Macro vertebrates - What water bugs can tell you**– water quality indicators □
  - **Shopping for Your Environment** – How shopping choices impact the environment.
  - **Rain Gardens and rain barrel** – Manage storm water at home
  - **Invasive species** - plant and animal alien invaders
- Composting soil health**  
**Shopping for the environment/** healthy cleaning products, recycling tires,



**Duane Pancoast**

**The Geriatric Gardener**

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Victor NY 14564

585-576-6588

**Email:** [pancoastduane@gmail.com](mailto:pancoastduane@gmail.com)

**Blogger:** [thegeriatricgardener.wordpress.com](http://thegeriatricgardener.wordpress.com)

**Author:** The Geriatric Gardener: Adaptive Gardening Advice For Seniors (2020) & The Geriatric Gardener 2.0: MORE Adaptive Gardening Advice For Seniors (2024)

**Personal Appearances:** Garden Clubs, Master Gardeners, Senior Groups, Also available to journalists and garden communicators for interviews

Teaches how the older gardener can maintain gardens adapting their gardens and gardening .as their physical capabilities change.

**Updated presentation based on The Geriatric Gardener 2.0 book:** Adaptive Gardening For Seniors & Gardeners Of All Ages

Octogenarian garden communicator Duane Pancoast incorporates personal experience, education and research into 45 minute to 1 hour long presentation to help senior gardeners adapt their gardens and gardening to their changing capabilities. He notes that younger gardeners may be able to forestall or avoid some of the problems that befall senior gardeners by adapting now. In person or Zoom. Fee negotiable based on organization's policy regarding selling books at event.

**Duane Pancoast's Background:**

- SUNY College of Environmental Science & Forestry, Landscape Architecture Major 1956-59.
- Syracuse University, 1959-1961, BS in Radio/TV .
- Public Relations Counselor to tree, lawn and landscape companies, their suppliers and associations since 1970.
- Member of National Garden Bureau since 2022.
- Member Garden Communicators International (GardenComm) and its predecessor organizations since 1985.

**CMK Consulting**

Caroline Kilmer, 585-746-5276,  
caroline.myers.kilmer@gmail.com

Power point or Zoom  
topic; Quality of water  
fee; \$50.00



### **Jeannette Riley tours**

[beanie.riley@gmail.com](mailto:beanie.riley@gmail.com)/ 585-355-2373/ 585-589-7122

1960 Riley Place Albion, NY 14411

One- and one-half hours to tour, on the Erie Canal, Copper roofed gazebos, perennials and flowering shrubs, hand painted garden art/ Mirrors and metal works/ flat terrain and plenty of room to sit, under cover areas if too hot or rainy, clubs can have meetings there

House built in 1889 having 5 rooms and an outhouse/today 2 bathrooms,2 bedrooms and a porch added/

Amish Built several gazebos and topped with copper



### **Noreen Riordan**

Birdsong Landscape Design

585-402-4061

[birdsonglandscapedesign@gmail.com](mailto:birdsonglandscapedesign@gmail.com)

Available weekdays November - March, early evenings April - October

\$75 for a one-hour PowerPoint presentation and Q&A in person or via Zoom with a travel fee if necessary

website: [www.birdsonglandscapedesign.com](http://www.birdsonglandscapedesign.com)

I'd offer tours of my gardens! Why use native plants and how to decide which native plants to use to complement what's already growing in your garden



### **Keith & Wendy Rockcastle /Rockcastle Florist**

870 Long Pond Road, Rochester, NY 14612  
Rockcastle Florist in Canandaigua, 100 South Main Street  
585-225-3640

If you want a speaker you would talk to Wendy through email

E-mail: [wjrockcastle@rockcastle.com](mailto:wjrockcastle@rockcastle.com)

Any topic regarding fresh floral arrangements

- **Decorating the White House for Christmas in 1995** - includes a VHS video of their adventure. They will also create a seasonal flower arrangement for the club.
- **Seasonal Floral Arrangement Demonstration** –watch while beautiful arrangements are created using seasonal materials. Arrangements will be donated to the club.  
Fee: \$100, plus mileage for long distances



### **Karen Schneider**

412 Woodland Lane, Webster, NY 14580 585-671-6892 and cell  
203-6430

**Walks At the Woodlands** - (A suburban location with woods & naturalized gardens) the property is where the house is located that my father built and our family lived as children.

My mother, Marion F. Schneider, was “the plant lady” for Strong Memorial Hospital for over 30 years. Her focus was edible and medicinal plants. We grew up eating many wild foods and using others as medicine.

My focus is on edible and medicinal plants, having caught the “plant bug” from both my parents. I have been giving on-site walks for area parks, and Writers and Books for close to 15 years. For several years I have been inviting groups here, where there are abundant examples of edible and medicinal plants and trees that can be safely gathered from this property. This property has been pesticide-free for over 55 years.

Walks last about one to one and a half hours and can be tailored to fit your group’s focus. Main idea is to eat healthy / will do Saturdays

Club meetings can be held afterwards either outdoors or indoors depending on the weather. Fee: \$ 60 per group

*Directions to Woodlands:* Take Bay Road exit off 104 Expressway East at Bay Road turn right. Woodland Lane is the second street on the right. Keep bearing left, into a private drive. 412 is a ranch at the end, on the left with a circular driveway. 104 West, take Bay Road exit, make right turn on Bay Road, and follow above directions.



### **Sonnenberg Gardens**

151 Charlotte Street, Canandaigua, NY 14424  
585-394-4922 or 585-396-7433  
Website: [www.sonnenberg.org](http://www.sonnenberg.org)  
Email [info@sonnenburg.org](mailto:info@sonnenburg.org)  
Kris Knight contact

Sonnenberg is located on 50 acres in the residential district of Canandaigua, NY. Guests can tour 15 rooms in the mansion, a conservatory, 9 gardens, a wine center, and grounds. Wine tasting, educational events available on web site



### **Carol Southby**

115 Huntington Meadow, Rochester, NY 14625-1814  
585-383-8168  
E-mail: [csouthby@rochester.rr.com/](mailto:csouthby@rochester.rr.com/) no web site / will zoo

Gardening, Nature and Travel talks, featuring high quality close up digital photography

In person and Zoom talks

Fee for one hour followed by questions, \$100 for groups meeting near the east side of Rochester. Add \$10 for travel to west side of Rochester. Outside the Rochester area, larger venues, longer talks and custom talks are available by request.

Nature talks:

**Landscaping for Pollinators**, helping bees, butterflies and hummingbirds in our gardens

Gardening for Wildlife, attracting birds, butterflies and other beneficial insects to the garden

Trillium Odyssey, Trilliums from New York to the Great Smoky Mountains  
Appalachian Spring, woodland wildflowers and their potential for use in our gardens

**Butterfly Talks:**

Secret lives of butterflies, the weird and wonderful life of our local butterflies  
Butterflies in Rochester, exploring the lives of butterflies at three local nature preserves  
Butterfly Gardening, how gardeners can attract and help butterflies  
Helping Monarch Butterflies, learn about their fascinating lives and migration

**Gardening Talks:**

Gardening with Deer, suitable plant choices and protective techniques for your garden  
Perennials for Early Spring, choose and propagate plants for the earliest spring flowers  
Gardening for Success, how to choose the best plants for your site conditions  
Combining Plants for Special Effects, creating plant groupings for maximum impact  
Gardening in the Shade, spring flowers, and foliage combinations through the seasons

**Travel Talks:**

Nature of Britain, wildflowers, birds and butterflies  
Scottish Islands of Orkney, wildflowers, birds, standing stones, ancient and modern history  
New Zealand, journey through a natural wonderland, from north to south



**Mary Sperr**

4043 Union Street, North Chili, NY 14514

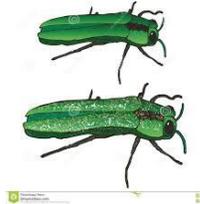
Cell: 585.269.8193

E-mail: [mary.c.sperr@gmail.com](mailto:mary.c.sperr@gmail.com)

Mary is a long-time member of Hubbard Springs Garden Club

**"Let's all learn about the Ash Borer Beetle"**

This visually impressive PowerPoint presentation will help members learn to distinguish this beetle from others. Information covers where they live, how to identify whether your trees are infested and what to do about it. Mary will give current information about the latest infestation and treatment efforts. A table for the projector and a screen or a flat wall will be needed. Fee: \$25.00 plus gas



**Franette Staub**

5864 County Road 33, Canandaigua NY 14424

585-229-7306

E-mail: [franetteo@frontiernet.net](mailto:franetteo@frontiernet.net)

Franette Staub is an avid gardener with a love for trees and plants. She is a graduate of The Rochester Landscape Technicians course. She is working on becoming more adept at the different types of propagation. Her love of trees has prompted her to create a series of presentations, so others can enjoy the love she has in tree identification, and plants in general. All programs can be tailored to your group's preferences. She is working on becoming more adept at propagating

**Shrubs the deciduous kind**

This is a detailed description of over 25 deciduous shrubs for our area, and how they like to live

They still need pruning but put on a lovely show.

**Fabulous Ferns.**

Learn how these mostly, ignored group of plants grow and reproduce in our area. Spores, indusium and more are discussed. Hand outs

**Let's Spice Things Up**

Samples, recipes and pictures of some of our most used spices and how they grow.

Where does cinnamon and cumin come from

Find out this and more samples

If time permits, can get a quick look at all our favorite nuts and how they grow

**Chocolate**

Presentation, all about the lovely cocoa bean and chocolate

**Cauliflory:** Flowers that Bloom on Tree Trunks

Let's take a look at this special group of plants that bloom and produce in a

Different manner in what we are used to seeing

Cost of any presentation depends on if hand outs are wanted, the size of your group and the current cost of chocolate. When time permits, we also get a quick look at coffee and how it grows. Hand out and samples . What is this and what does it taste like

A look at some of the exotic fruits or vegetables, available to us during the fall and winter months. Let's taste some of these wonderful gifts of nature.

Samples of what's in season and presentation

Taylor made presentations You can pick and choose a mixture of above presentations, or ask for something specific that your group has an interest in. Fee; call



**June Summers**

President, Genesee Valley Audubon Society

585-355-1824

E-mail - [summers@frontiernet.net](mailto:summers@frontiernet.net)

[www.gvAudubon.org](http://www.gvAudubon.org) will do zoom

• **Invasive Plants**

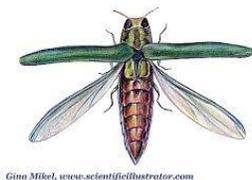
One of the biggest threats to the environment is alien invasive plants. These plants are not native to North America. They take root and drive out native plants. This presentation will focus on the identification of 20 of the most common invasive plants in Central and Western New York. Call for fee.

• **Emerald Ash Borers**

Coming to an ash tree near you... The Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) has come to New York. As in Michigan and other mid-west states it will kill every ash tree in its path. EAB will change the forest and yards of our area. Find out what you can do to get ready for this invasive insect.

**Native plants for birds**

Call for fee. / accept donations



## Michael Warren Thomas

19 Trafalgar Street, Rochester, NY 14619  
(585) 703-9237 / MichaelWarrenThomas@gmail.com

Past Radio Show Host & Producer: **Tour Leader:** Organized 21 annual tours to the Philadelphia Flower Show and Longwood Gardens. **Speaker:** Presented hundreds of seminars on a variety of gardening and landscaping subjects for continuing education programs and garden clubs. **After 26 years on the radio, Michael switched to podcasting in 2020. His past recordings are on his website but new podcasts are on hiatus during the pandemic, with the plan to return in spring 2022.**

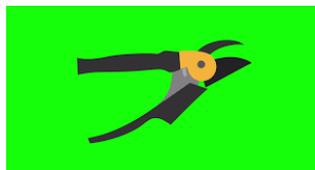
**Subjects eliminating lawns**

**Native plants**

**Raising Monarch butterflies**

**Pruning.**

**Fees: \$125 in person, no charge on Zoom during 2022. Prefer demonstrations to PowerPoint, but can do either.**



## Liz Thompson

3 Fairmont Avenue, Batavia, NY 14020  
585-219-4057

E-mail: batphile@yahoo.com

Website: [www.batphile.com](http://www.batphile.com)

**Mysterious World of Bats** - Explore popular bat myths, meet bats from around the world. Discover NYS bats and uncover the many ways in which bats help humankind.

**Spiders** – They are some of the most intriguing and beneficial animals sharing our planet. Discover which ones are sharing your work, play, and living spaces and exactly what they're up to. Live tarantulas included as part of the program.



Fee: \$125 (Plus more for 25 miles greater from Batavia)



## **Thousand Acre Swamp Nature Preserve**

Contact: Mary Ripka

E-mail: [mripka@TNC.org](mailto:mripka@TNC.org)

Mary Ripka is employed by the Central and Western New York Chapter of The Nature Conservancy, but she is not local. She lives in Pulaski, NY. She can line up someone familiar with Thousand Acre Swamp to do presentations.

**Thousand Acre Swamp Nature Preserve** - Digital photographs featuring images of the plants and wildlife in a nature preserve located in Penfield. Talk includes background on the history of the Thousand Acre Swamp, unique features of the preserve nestled in the heart of a suburban area, identification of the native plants and wildflowers along the trails, restoration and maintenance activities and volunteer opportunities. Fee: Slide show presentation followed by questions: \$50.00 donation to The Nature Conservancy/Thousand Acre Swamp.



## **Upstate Gardeners' Journal**

Jane Milliman Publisher

1501 East Avenue

Rochester, NY 14610

585-413-0040

E-mail: [jane@janemilliman.com](mailto:jane@janemilliman.com)  
Website: <http://www.upstategardenersjournal.com>  
Will be visiting Chelsea Flower Show in England summer of 2022  
Plans to have a travelogue  
Fee: to be discussed



### **William N. Valavanis**

The International Bonsai Arboretum  
P.O. Box 23894, Rochester, NY 14692-3894  
Phone: 585-334-2595  
E-mail: [wv@internationalbonsai.com](mailto:wv@internationalbonsai.com)  
Website: [www.internationalbonsai.com](http://www.internationalbonsai.com)

**Bonsai** – Lecture & Demonstration with small exhibit Fee: \$350

**Bonsai Garden Tour** – Guided tour through the grounds of the International Bonsai Arboretum. Call for fee



### **Kathy Valenti**

55 Greenaway Road  
Rochester, NY 14610  
585-750-9509

Email: [kathyvalenti@gmail.com](mailto:kathyvalenti@gmail.com)

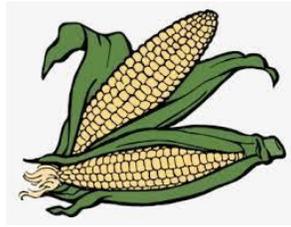
Civic Beautification Grant Applications. Applications can be emailed, mailed, or handed to me in-person.

Also teaches classes

Available for evening or weekend programs

**Using Corn Husks:** historic, culinary, and decorative uses for corn husks with many visuals and examples. (Fee is \$50)

**Nature and Gardens in Japan:** Kathy will share personal experiences and many of her own photos from her 6 trips to Japan. (Fee is \$50)



**Tea Party Trivia Game:** fun game of tea related trivia with different varieties of tea bags given for correct answers. Short talk about the World of Tea before or after the game (your choice). (Fee is \$50)

**Growing and Cooking with Culinary Herbs:** Different ways to grow herbs, unusual trivia, and fun ways to use them. Program includes a sampling of food prepared with fresh herbs. (Fee is \$65)



### **The Violet Barn**

Olive Robinson, PO Box 9, Naples, NY 14512

585-374-8592

E-mail: robsviolet@aol.com

Website: www.violetbarn.com

Will do zoom

- **Dish Gardens in Naturalistic Setting**
- **African Violets**
- **Houseplants** - general care

Call for available times. Programs will be at the Violet Barn in the off season (winter months) Will travel for large groups, if allowed to sell plants

Fee: No Fee



### **Emily Webster - Emily's Garden**

181 Blazey Rd., Victor, NY 14564-9526

585-924-3057

- **Teach at Emily's Home Garden or at garden clubs**

- **Hydrangeas and Everlastings / all types**
  - **Why Don't My Hydrangeas Bloom?**
  - **Growing Tips**
  - **Dried Floral Creations from Your Garden Blooms**
  - **Wreath and basket demo only**
  - **Also give Garden Tours**
- Fee \$75 (plus mileage over 25 miles is extra)**



**Elaine Werner**

Florida/ Zoom is a good possibility  
 Monarch butterfly and butterfly garden/ photos from the Monarch preserve in Mexico  
[Ewberner13@gmail.com](mailto:Ewberner13@gmail.com)  
 585-233-2000



**Wild Wings Birds of Prey Facility (Mendon Ponds)**

Terry Kozakiewicz, Director  
 27 Pond Road, Honeoye Falls, New York 14472  
 585-334-7790  
 E-mail: [info@wildwingsinc.org](mailto:info@wildwingsinc.org)  
 Website: <http://www.wildwingsinc.org>

**Wild Wings** is an educational facility that houses non-releasable injured birds of prey. They provide traveling educational programs and tours at their facility in Mendon Ponds Park. Fees range from \$40 to \$175.

**Topics;**

**Birds of Prey**

**Pollinators**

**Will give tours and at times will have guest speakers**



## National Pond Service

### Willow ponds Aqua Farms

**Jim Kennedy**

3581 Swamp Road, Canandaigua, NY 14424

585-394-5890

<http://www.willowpondaquafarms.com>

[www.Facebook.com/Willowpondaquafarms.com](http://www.Facebook.com/Willowpondaquafarms.com)

- **Water Features**
- **Pond Culture** – Creating your own water feature design & plants to use
- **Pond Service** (non-chemical)
  - Algae reduction**
  - Aquatic plant management**
  - Water feature and garden ponds**
  - Lake and pond water treatments**
  - Fish stocking recommendations**
  - Koi and goldfish health**
  - Large pond design and project management**
  - Water garden, koi pond or goldfish pond design**
  - Water gardening**
  - Sells Koi



## Julie Brocklehurst-Woods

**Livingston County Master Gardener**

E-mail [Juliebrocklehurst-Woods48@gmail.com](mailto:Juliebrocklehurst-Woods48@gmail.com)

Julie Brocklehurst-Woods completed her Master Gardener training in 1999, and has been an active Livingston County Master Gardener since that time. She has presented numerous times to area garden clubs, and has given frequent garden talks at the Wadsworth Library in Geneseo since 2009. She has been a member of Rochester Civic Garden Center for 10 years and regularly takes classes there. She also completed Master Naturalist certification in 2011 through Cornell Cooperative Extension. She

enjoys working on her flower and vegetable gardens at her home in the Village of Geneseo./ Possibly Zoom

- **Easy Care Roses**
- **Growing and Blooming Hydrangeas**
- **Long Blooming perennials**
- **Drought Proof Gardening**
- **Enhance your Garden with Spring Bulbs (fall)**
- **Tools and Tips for Simplified Gardening**
- **Gardening Myths and Truths: The Mission of Linda Chalker-Scott**
- **Deer and other Nuisance Wildlife**
- **Ground Covers and Tough Plants for Difficult Spots**
- **Home Landscape Pruning (early spring)**
- **Gardening in the Shade**
- **Seed Starting Simplified (winter or early spring)**
- **Vegetable and Herb Gardens (spring)**
- **Plan NOW for your spring garden (fall)**
- **Gardening Basics: Annuals and Perennials**
- **Large Flowering Plants and Shrubs for Easter Gardening Additional topics are available upon request.**
- **Small group tours**

Fee: \$60 plus mileage over 15 miles. Call for equipment needs



## **WORM POWER**

Ted Miller

Worm Power, Director of Operations

PHONE: (585) 766-8082 (cell)

E-MAIL: [tmiller@wormpower.net](mailto:tmiller@wormpower.net)

FACILITY LOCATION: 1691 Jenks Rd, Avon, NY (No US Postal service)

FEE REQUIREMENT: \$50.00

Website: <http://www.wormpower.net> E-mail: [support@wormpower.net](mailto:support@wormpower.net)

**WORM POWER** vermicomposting process uses millions of earthworms in an all-organic system to produce premium soil fertility products. Call for information.



## **Zaretsky Landscape**

Sharon Coates, contact

Landscape Designer & Glass Artist

Zaretsky and Associates, Inc.

1965 Watson-Hulburt Road

Macedon, NY 14502

585.377.8330

Fee \$100.00

[www.ZaretskyAssociates.com](http://www.ZaretskyAssociates.com)

015 Community Stewardship Award - National Association of Landscape Professionals

2014 Recipient Re-Shaping Rochester Award for Project Scion

2013 Rochester Business Ethics Award Finalist

2011 PLANET Environmental Leadership Awards

### **Garden Club Seminar Topic**

#### **The Lawn Goodbye: The Lawn-free Landscape**

Lawn's suck. Water, lots of water. And fertilizers. And chemicals. And let's not forget all that mowing. Let's stop the madness. Come explore alternatives to these enormous wastes of resources and energy. Just imagine: meadows filled with flowers. And butterflies. And birds. Without fertilizers. And chemicals. And even water!

#### **Doctor's Orders: Take a Walk (in the Garden!)**

It has been said that laughter is the best medicine. Well, they're wrong: it's gardens! Why? Well, it's pretty obvious, isn't it? Gardens are beautiful. They are pleasant to look at and be in. They make us feel better. But did you know that they can actually help us to physically heal faster, too? Find out why. Come on an exploration of gardens as healing devices, and find out why gardens are integral in the future of health care. We'll explore numerous gardens and see why they are truly the best medicine.

#### **Gardens for the 21st Century: Green Roofs, Rain Gardens and Water Conservation**

Like it or not, we've entered a new era in garden design. The best designs for the 21st century will not only be beautiful, but they'll also be practical. They'll clean our water. Feed our populations. Insulate our buildings. And did we say they'll also be beautiful? Let's take a tour of 21st century garden design, incorporating rooftop gardens, green walls and rain gardens, and see what the future holds!

#### **A New Stone Age: Rock and Stone in the Landscape**



I admit it: I'm a rockhead! And after this seminar, you will be one, too. We'll explore the history of stone work, how to use stone in landscape design, and how to specify, acquire and build with it. And, of course, we'll look at dozens of projects large and small that will show how wonderful a properly designed and installed stone project can be.

#### **This is a Holdup: Building Retaining Walls to Last**

**A retaining wall has a singular purpose: to hold things up.** If a wall fails, whatever it is holding up comes tumbling down. That means planting beds, patios and driveways. But it also means pools, garages and even houses. Build them right the first time and you'll never hear the dreaded words: "You know that wall you built that used to hold up my deck..." Here's how to build them right.

#### **Rain Gardens**

Did you know that the removal of wetlands around New Orleans contributed to Katrina's devastation? Wetlands clean our water and protect us from flooding. Learn how you can build

your own personal wetlands, also know as rain gardens, and actually create less work for yourself in the process! We'll review the installation of a large rain garden in the Town of Penfield, New York, and discuss ways to build your own.

### **Light Up Your Life: How to Create a Magical Nighttime Landscape**

Night lighting is one of the fastest growing segments of the landscape industry. So what? More importantly, night lighting extends the use of gardens for our clients. And it's dramatic beyond words, especially when we use it to completely change the garden after dark. This presentation will focus on how to practically and creatively design and install lighting to complement your garden designs. A Part Two of this talk explains in detail the proper design and installation of landscape lighting.



### **Charles Zettek**

1 Hillside Avenue, Rochester, NY 14610

585-461-3317 (zoom also)

E-mail: [czettek@msn.com](mailto:czettek@msn.com)

Master gardening

- **Daylilies** - slide presentation
- **300 varieties of daylilies/ hybridizing daylilies / won 2 awards from region 4 best seedlings**
- **Gardens of National Display** – Daylily Garden
- **Tours 25 and open houses free**
- **Tour 30 minutes**

Fee: \$25, mileage beyond 30 miles





To plant  
a garden  
is to believe in  
tomorrow.

Audrey Hepburn

[QuotographyLife.com](http://QuotographyLife.com)