

REGISTRATION FORM

Gardening School – Course 2, April 12 & 13, 2023

Name: _____

Garden Club: _____

State Garden Club: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Please choose your registration:

_____ **Two-Day Course Registration Fee of \$120;**
Includes all classes, lunch, course review and exam

_____ **April 12th Only, Registration Fee of \$70**
(Includes 6 class hours & lunch)

_____ **April 13th Only, Registration Fee of \$60**
(Includes 5 class hours & lunch)

Are you taking the exam? Yes _____ No _____

Are you refreshing? Yes _____

Mail registration form & check to:

Linda Harris, GS State Chair
3252 Walnut Bottom Rd., Swanton, MD 21561

Make Checks payable to: FGCMDC GCC
FGCMDC-Gardening Consultants Council

****Any special needs or diet restrictions? If so,
please provide details:

Objectives of Gardening School

All gardeners can become accomplished horticulturists. To assist its members in achieving this goal, National Garden Clubs created the Gardening Schools; the school is a series of four courses designed to:

- Stimulate interest in the growth of plant materials to their peak of perfection; give the student an understanding of how and why a plant grows.
- Teach soil structure and methods for making the soil more productive.
- Provide an understanding of plants' reactions to certain weather conditions and how to modify these conditions to encourage optimum growth.
- Provide an understanding of commercial and natural fungicides and pesticides, growth regulators, and other chemicals used in general horticultural procedures
- Illustrate methods for rapid propagation.
- Offer plant identification instruction.
- Explore growing techniques for garden plants, vegetables, fruits, houseplants, trees, shrubs, and specialized styles of gardening.
- Develop a respect for and appreciation of plants and their roles in our lives and activities.

Note: Refreshing Consultants must attend the full course. Students earning credit towards a Gardening Consultants Certificate must attend the full course and pass the exam.

**Registration deadline is April 7th
No refunds after April 5th.**

*"Growing Your Knowledge of
Horticulture"*



Course 2 Gardening School

Wednesday & Thursday
April 12 & 13, 2023

Vollmer Center, Cylburn Arboretum
4915 Greenspring Ave., Baltimore, MD 21209



Sponsored by
Gardening Consultants Council
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Gardening School Chair, Linda Harris

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Gardening School Course 2 Schedule

Wednesday, April 12, 2023

7:30 - 8:15 – **Registration; Breakfast**

8:15 – 8:30 – **Welcome & Announcements**

8:30 – 12:00 – **Plant Diseases & Garden Pests**

Presented by Dr. Michael Raupp, Professor Emeritus, University of Maryland, Department of Entomology

12:00 – 1:00 – **Lunch (provided)**

1:00 – 2:30 – **Lawn Alternatives**

Instructor: Dr. Sara Via, Professor & Climate Extension Specialist, Dept of Entomology, University of Maryland

2:45 – 4:15 – **Water Requirements & Usage**

Presented by Claire Cambardella, Northern Maryland Watershed Restoration Specialist, University of Maryland Sea Grant Extension

Thursday, April 13, 2023

7:30 - 8:15 – **Check-In; Breakfast**

8:15 – 8:30 – **Morning Announcements**

8:30 – 12:00 – **Growing Fruit and Growing**

Vegetables; Presented by Jon Traunfeld, Specialist & Director, Home & Garden Information Center, University of Maryland Extension

12:00 – 1:00 - **Lunch (provided)**

1:00 – 2:00 – **Rain Gardens: Cylburn Arboretum**

Patricia Foster, Executive Director, Cylburn Arboretum, will give us a tour of a series of rain gardens in Moudry Woods

2:00 – 3:30 – **Review & Open Book/Notes Exam**

Class Descriptions

Plant Diseases & Garden Pests (2.5 hours)

Overview of good growing techniques

Regional insect and disease problems

Beneficial insects – predators

Problem solving/prevention

Examples of plant problems – disease & insects

Lawn Alternatives (1.5 hours)

Site preparation and selection of plants

Types of plants to use as alternatives

Maintenance of site

Problem solving

Water Requirements & Usage (1.5 hours)

Planting efficiently

Water use and water saving factors

Water problems – regional

Water quality

Stormwater runoff

Growing Fruit & Growing Vegetables

(3.5 hours)

Choice of varieties

When and how to plant

Training and pruning

Environmental factors

Crop rotation and inter-planting

Problem solving and solutions

Supplemental – Rain Gardens of Cylburn

(1 hour; not tested)

Gardening Schools are open to everyone whether or not they are garden club members.

Hotel Information

Delta Hotels Baltimore North, 5100 Falls Road,
Baltimore, MD 21210 410-532-6900

Group Rate of \$129 + tax

Reservations at: (Last day to book: March 11)

<https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1668100249546&key=GRP&app=resvlink>

Required Reading for this Course

Botany for Gardeners, (4th Ed.) by Brian Capon

The National Gardener (TNG). Students and Consultants are encouraged to read current gardening articles in *The National Gardener* which can be found at gardenclub.org

The Guide for Students and Consultants (Student Guide Revised 2/2019) available on the NGC website at gardenclub.org

Questions/Information

Contact Gardening School Chair Linda Harris at
lindaharris355@aol.com or 443-695-2071

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