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Agenda

- 8:15 am Check In & Silent Auction Opens
Coffee and Donuts
- 8:45 am Welcome
Introductions and Announcements
- 9:00 am Edible Weeds
Jed Colquhoun
- 10:00 am Break
- 10:15 am Bark, Berries, Grasses and Beyond
Jeff Epping
- 11:45 am Lunch
- 1:00 pm Silent Auction Closes
- 1:00 pm Gardening Myths
Amy Freidig
- 2:00 pm Break
- 2:15 pm Christmas Wreath Creations
Kristen Waas
- 3:15 pm Closing Remarks
Silent Auction Winners Announced

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GARDENING for GOLD



November 4, 2017

8:15 am - 3:30 pm

Public Welcome



**DODGE COUNTY
Master Gardener
ASSOCIATION**

Horicon Marsh Education Center

**N7725 Hwy 28
Horicon, WI 53032**

**Registration is Required
Limited Seating**

EDIBLE WEEDS If you can't beat them... eat them?

Jed Colquhoun



Weeds, like common purslane, likely bring up bad memories of hours upon hours of fruitless hand-weeding, but have you ever thought about a salad? Maybe in a flavorful combination with just a bit of common lambsquarters? In fact, several of our most invasive plants began their careers atop a plate or flavoring our dishes, such as garlic mustard. Jed will share the interesting origin and culinary uses of some of our most common 'weeds', as well as some prospects for broader use beyond the dinner plate.

Jed Colquhoun is a Professor and Extension Specialist in the Department of Horticulture at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. His specialty is integrated pest management in fruit and vegetable production. Jed's work is centered at the crossroads of productive agricultural systems and resilient natural resources. He received his B.S. and M.S. degrees from Cornell University and his Ph.D. from UW-Madison. Prior to returning to UW-Madison, he was a faculty member at Oregon State University.

BARK, BERRIES, GRASSES AND BEYOND Adding interest to the dormant garden

Jeff Epping



Gardens are most often designed to be at their best during the growing season, when people can enjoy their gardens. However, the growing season in the Midwest is way too short. So, what about the other six months of the year? With a little foresight and the right plants, the dormant garden can be just as interesting as its warm season counterpart. Jeff will share his experiences with you on the best performing trees, shrubs, conifers, vines and ornamental grasses that are guaranteed to breathe life into your "off-season" garden.

Jeff Epping has been Director of Horticulture at Olbrich Botanical Gardens for over 20 years. He oversees the horticultural operations and garden designs of over ten gardens, show-casing the best plants for south-central Wisconsin. Epping and his staff practice sustainable gardening, which is reflected in their garden designs and environmentally conscious cultural practices. Their designs create gardens that celebrate the region, enhance the senses and satisfy our desire to connect with the natural world.

GARDENING MYTHS Get the dirt on common myths

Amy Freidig



Just like many myths, techniques for handling situations in the garden have been passed down through generations. Some of these strategies work...and some don't! Most were devised from anecdotal evidence, not based in experimentation. In this seminar, we'll learn about several common garden myths and explain the science behind them. Learning the truth behind some of these myths can help save your plants and your money!

Amy Freidig, a Madison area native, is a Program Assistant with the Wisconsin Master Gardener Program state office. She has degrees in horticulture and plant breeding and did her graduate research on beets. Her responsibilities for the MG Program include the development of interactive and online educational materials, assisting with outreach programs and helping support the statewide program. Personally, Amy and her family are newer homeowners wrestling with the joys of establishing their own home garden and landscape. She enjoys adding to the urban forest and has planted about twenty trees in her yard.

CHRISTMAS WREATH CREATIONS Learn how to create a wreath

Kristen Waas



See a 24" Christmas wreath created by hand tying greens to a ring. Learn which greens work best and how many are needed. Finally, use natural items found around the yard to decorate a wreath. Kristen is committed to making sure each participant experiences the things that are most important to her: family, memories and nature. Guests will learn how to incorporate special memories and items abundant in nature. Kristen Waas, owner of Waas Family Garden in the town of Leroy, turned her love of educating and creating memories into classes at her family barn and greenhouse. Starting with wreath classes in 2006, her offerings now include kissing balls, swags, boxes and more. Kristen takes pride in preserving the past, including her beloved barn, and in foraging in her backyard to discover yet another item to dry and use in class. She ensures that each guest feels like a member of the family by the time they leave her classes.

Visit www.waasfamilygarden.com for more information.

Registration

Deadline: Friday, October 20, 2017

Cancellations received after October 20 will not be refunded.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

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Lunch will be provided.

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