

Join Us For Spring Garden Day, Saturday, March 15!





Saturday,





March 15 2025 9:45 am to 3:30 pm Tamarac/ Brunswick High School Troy, NY Snow date: Sunday, March 16

manage a small garden or a whole landscape, learn how your plant choices and management methods can create a delightful, pollinator haven. Keynote Speaker Jen Lerner will also speak about the efforts Master Gardener Volunteers have made to advance a local Pollinator Pathway effort and engage community partners to create bee-friendly landscapes. Jen Lerner is a Senior Resource Educator with Cornell Cooperative Extension in



Putnam County. A Cornell graduate, Jen spent her early career designing and building landscapes in Westchester and Dutchess Counties in NY. She has been with Extension for 20 years as an educator. Her areas of focus include creating pollinator habitat in managed landscapes, log-grown Shiitake culture, and serving commercial and residential horticulture audiences.

CELEBRATE GARDENING!

different gardening subjects -Delicious lunch provided by the Rensselaer County **Master Gardeners**

- Choose classes from 10

-Check out the merchandise at the Tool Sale and Plant Sale -Pick-A-Prize Auction, with

something for everyone

-Fabulous door prizes! For more information see our website at rensselaer.cce.cornell.edu or phone (518) 272 -4210

Spring starts Saturday, March 15 with "Spring Garden Day," a program of gardening classes and fun for gardeners, held at Tamarac High School in Brunswick. Attendees can choose from ten classes covering shade gardening, tree care, gardening with deer, invasive species, growing herbs, raised beds, orchids, big trees, Asian-style gardens, native perennials and more. CCE Educator Jennifer Lerner will show us how to have an attractive flowering oasis for insects and birds in her keynote presentation, "Bee Friendly Backyards: Supporting Pollinators with Beautiful Landscapes." A plant sale, new tool sale, Pick-A-Prize Auction, and fabulous door prizes are other highlights. Participants also receive a delicious homemade lunch featuring soups, sandwiches and desserts.



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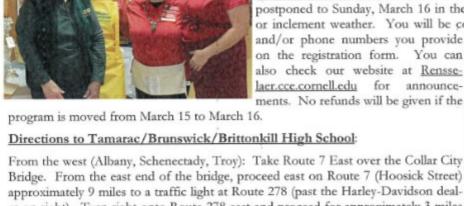


lunch and door prize drawing; and to hear the keynote speaker. Register by examining the attached class schedule. Indicate your

first, second, and third choice of classes on the form for each of the four class periods. Make sure to choose a lunch period, or another class if you do not want lunch. Your class assignments will be available at the registration table on March 15. You will not receive registration confirmation by phone or mail, but you can call us at (518) 272-4210 to make sure we received your registration. The enclosed schedule is final, but last minute changes may be necessary. Although we try to give people their first choice, class sizes are limited, and regretfully, we may have to place you in another class. Registration will be open until classes are full. Registrations are taken on a first come, first served basis. Refunds must be requested on or before March 7. After that date, no refunds will be made. Time: Registration starts at 9:45 AM. The first sessions start at 10:30 AM. Please do not arrive before 9:45 AM in order to allow us time to set up. Your cooperation is appreciated!

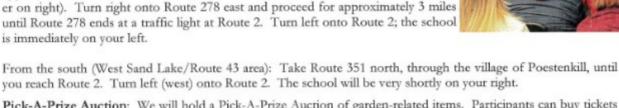


also be available. In case of snow or inclement weather: The program may be postponed to Sunday, March 16 in the event of significant snowfall



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or inclement weather. You will be contacted at the email address and/or phone numbers you provide on the registration form. You can also check our website at Rensselaer.cce.cornell.edu for announcements. No refunds will be given if the



Pick-A-Prize Auction: We will hold a Pick-A-Prize Auction of garden-related items. Participants can buy tickets (10 for \$5.00) and "bid" on items by placing a ticket or tickets in a paper bag next to the item. Winners will be drawn at the end of the day after the last sessions. You must be present to win. Proceeds will support the Master Gardener Demonstration Garden. Sales and Drawings: A Plant Sale, A Garden Tool Sale, and Draw-"Tool Of ings for fabulous prizes are featured. Our Fourth Annual "Tool of

The Year" sale will feature the Spear Head Spade "Mini!" This small

shovel is 30" tall and weighs only 2 lbs. It is better than a trowel and

ideal for large containers and raised beds. We will also be selling me-Sale" dium-sized Spear Head Spades in a rainbow of colors as well as the Deluxe Soil Knives and Skidger Hoes. Spear Head Spade Door Prizes: Each participant is given one free door prize ticket. Door prizes will be awarded at the end of the day in the auditorium. YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN! Questions: Call the Horticulture Program at (518) 272-4210. Individuals with questions or special needs requiring accommodation should contact Cornell Cooperative Extension of Rensselaer County at the phone number above. "Cornell Cooperative Extension is an employer and educator recognized for valuing AA/EEO, Protected Veterans, and Individuals with Disabilities and provides equal pro-

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TO REGISTER: Click on the link below to visit our website, where you can print out a registration form to mail to us with your check.

Click here to go to the Registration Form

If you can't print the registration form, call us at 518.272.4210 or email us at

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