

Forsyth County Cooperative Extension presents the 2011

# Spring Home & Garden Library Series



## ALL PROGRAMS REQUIRE REGISTRATION

To register for programs, please contact Kathy Hepler at 336-703-2852. Programs will last 1 to 1½ hours, mostly in lecture format but with plenty of time for questions. Programs are presented by Master Gardener Volunteers and Extension Agents of Forsyth County Cooperative Extension.

### Grafting Demonstration

As people return to growing their own fruits and vegetables, grafting is of increasing interest to home gardeners. Find out how to graft your own fruit trees with this informative lecture. March 1 at 7pm—Lewisville Lib.

### Reducing Your Debt Load

This program will help you budget your money more wisely and better control your use of credit. Tips will be shared to help you maintain a workable spending plan while considering the needs and wants of you and your family members. March 7 at 7pm—Kernersville Lib. March 9 at 2:30pm—Walkertown Lib. April 4 at 7pm—Southside Lib.

### Organic Gardening 201

The organic gardener prefers to use natural and organic materials and methods to grow vegetables. Find out how to expand your summer garden to a 3 or 4 season garden. Discussion will include soil amendments, fertilization, weed control, what vegetables to grow and how to grow them. Growing your own vegetable transplants and saving

heirloom seeds will also be discussed. March 8 at 7pm—Rural Hall Lib.

### Square Foot Gardening

Learn simple and easy ways to set up a square foot garden at home. With its emphasis on raised beds and composting, this garden is good for beginners and people with disabilities. March 12 at 10am—Southside Lib.

### Growing Blueberries in the Home Landscape

Home grown fruit is much better when picked from your own landscape. Learn how to grow blueberries successfully and have a good yield. Also, learn how to prepare and amend the soil for planting and how to prune and harvest the fruit. March 14 at 6pm—Clemmons Lib.

### Easy Care of Annuals and Perennials

Discover wonderful annuals and perennials that are easy to care for in the landscape. Get tips on adding low maintenance plants to your garden. Learn the basics of site preparation, plant selection, planting techniques, maintenance and more.

March 15 at 7pm—Lewisville Lib.

### Four Season Vegetable Gardening

It is easier than you think to grow vegetables in all four seasons in the Piedmont. Find out tips to extend the season for the fall as well as spring vegetables. March 22 at 7pm—Central Lib. May 2 at 7pm—Kernersville Lib.

### Vegetable Gardening 101

Find out information to begin your first vegetable garden. Discussion will include finding the right location, how to take a soil test and improve your soil, and which vegetables are the easiest for the beginner to grow. March 24 at 2pm—Reynolda Manor Lib.

### Growing Mushrooms in the Home Garden

Learn the basics of growing mushrooms, primarily Shiitake, in the home landscape. Some discussion will be given to other types of mushrooms. A demonstration of growing shiitakes will be shown. April 4 at 2pm—Carver School Rd Lib.

### Energy Saving, Low Cost Housing & Home Maintenance Tips

If you are short on time and money, learn the skills to maintain your living environments inside and outside. This program will cover energy saving and cleaning tips for every room in the house or apartment as well as how to maintain the area with affordable and safe products.

April 9 at 11am—Kernersville Lib.

April 14 at 2:30pm—Walkertown Lib.

### Advanced Curb Appeal

Creating curb appeal is one of those landscaping areas where you want your front landscape to stand out from other landscapes. You will receive some individual ideas for your individual home. You will have the opportunity to submit digital pictures of your landscape and receive some ideas for improvement. Discussion will include such ideas as hiding trash cans, landscaping the mailbox and improving plant selection to display color in all the seasons.

April 12 at 7pm—Rural Hall Lib.

### Shade Gardening

A shady site can provide a perfect opportunity to create a lush, inviting retreat using low light tolerant trees, shrubs, flowers, ferns, and mosses. Get some tips and learn how to turn your shady area into an attractive landscape.

April 20 at 2pm—Reynolda Manor Lib.  
May 10 at 7pm—Rural Hall Lib.

### Growing Grapes

Home grown grapes are much better when picked from the vines grown in your landscape. Learn how to prepare and amend the soil for planting as well as how to prune and harvest.

May 16 at 11am—Clemmons Lib.

### Companion Planting

Companion planting is a very important cultural practice for vegetable gardens. Find out some great tips and easy ways to grow vegetables in a small space, how to rotate your vegetables and which vegetables are good companions to grow together in close proximity. This lecture is for all levels of experience in vegetable gardening.

May 13 at 10:30am—Southside Lib.

### Landscaping on a Slope

Steep slopes can be found in many landscapes, and present many challenges to homeowners and gardeners. They are often difficult and dangerous to mow, contain poor soil, and suffer from soil erosion. This class will cover design options and plant suggestions for aesthetic appeal and to prevent erosion.

May 18 at 2:30pm—Walkertown Lib.

### Pesticides for Homeowners

This program includes a discussion of the use of pesticides, pesticide safety, and pesticides that can be used safely around the home. Integrated pest management will be the main focus of this presentation. Organic pest control strategies will be included in the presentation.

May 24 at 7pm—Central Lib.

### Making Fresh Flower Arrangements from Your Home Garden

Learn the steps to create a beautiful flower arrangement from the flowers, trees and shrubs you grow in your home garden.

May 26 at 4pm—Lewisville Lib.

May 27 at 11am—Clemmons Lib.

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## Forsyth County Public Libraries

**Carver School Rd. Lib.**  
4915 Lansing Drive  
703-2910

**Central Library**  
660 W. 5th Street  
703-3020

**Clemmons Library**  
3554 Clemmons Road  
703-2920

**Kernersville Library**  
130 E. Mountain Street  
703-2930

**Lewisville Library**  
6490 Shallowford Road  
703-2940

**Reynolda Manor Lib.**  
2839 Fairlawn Drive  
703-2960

**Rural Hall Library**  
7125 Broad Street  
703-2970

**Southside Library**  
3185 Buchanan Street  
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