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Sussex County Master Gardeners Announce Open House “Day in the Garden”

The Sussex County Master Gardeners, of Delaware Cooperative Extension for both Delaware State University and University of Delaware, are pleased to announce they are hosting an open house at their Demonstration Garden. This special event entitled ‘Day in the Garden’ is scheduled for Saturday, July 14, 2007 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

The Master Gardener’s Demonstration Garden is located at 16483 County Seat Highway, Route 9, and west of Georgetown, Delaware. Traveling west, it is about 4.5 miles from the intersection of Routes 113 and 9, just past the Sussex Tech High School, on the right. Turn right just after the gazebo at the Elbert N. & Ann V. Carvel Research & Education Center.

Day in the Garden Highlights

Tour the Gardens: Meet the Master Gardeners and tour the Demonstration Garden with them. The garden is planted with annuals, perennials, herbs, shrubs, vegetables, and shade loving plants. Come and enjoy our containers, raised beds, water garden, bog garden and butterfly garden.

Information Stations: Master Gardeners will man information stations located throughout the garden. Learn about composting, lawns, proper techniques for taking a soil test, and the “Livable Delaware” program.

New to Delaware: If you are “New to Delaware” stop by this station to obtain valuable information about gardening in Sussex County.

Sick Plant Clinic: If you have a plant with a problem, bring a sample to our Plant Clinic for identification and recommended remedies.
**Gardening Tools:** Learn about tool maintenance, safety and sharpening. If you have a favorite tool which needs to be sharpened bring it along and we will sharpen.

**Youth and Entomology:** Bring the kids and join the Master Gardeners looking for and learning about insects. The kids will also enjoy a project of decorating paint sticks with insect motifs.

**Fresh Vegetables:** Join us in the vegetable garden at 11:30 a.m. to sample some of the vegetables we have growing. Bring a brown bag lunch and eat in our shaded picnic grove.

There is no rain date set.

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