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**This Month Activity: July 22 Tour of the Perennial Trial Gardens at Cornell BluGrass Lanes**

Next Month's Activity August 12 Tour of the Perennial Trials At Cornell Blue Grass Lane

# Presidents Corner:

Hi Everyone,

The July meeting will be Tuesday July 22 from 4 to 6 PM at the perennial test

Garden on Blue grass Lane off of Warren Rd and just north of the Cornell golf course. Members can come a bit late as we will be there for the two hours and 4 PM may be a bit early for some. Join us when you can.

There will be an opportunity to buy container gardens being sold for a good cause.

We will discuss the August meeting and whether we want to have a Picnic August 12 at the Japanese garden in Ellis Hollow.

Regards, Ed

## Liberty Hyde Bailey Garden Club Schedule 2008

	A	B	C
1	Date	Topic	Speaker
2	Dec 11, 2007	Holiday Decorations	
3			
4	Jan 8	Slide tour of gardens by club member	
5			
6	Feb 12	Organization Meeting	
7		Travel to New Zealand	Ed Cobb
8			
9	March 11	150th L H Bailey Birthday	Dan Krall
10		Dean Bailey's 'pet project': A Department of Outdoor Art.	
11	April 8	Significant events in the world of Plant Disease.	Karen Snover-Clift
12			
13	May 13	Plant Auction	
14			
15	June 14 4 PM	Tour of Cornell Plantation Gardens	Park near headquarters
16			
17	July 22 4-6 PM ??	Tour of Perennial Trials	Bill Miller
18			
19	Aug 12	Tour of Japanese Garden	Ellis Hollow
20			
21	Sept 9	Plant exchange meeting in Horton Room	
22			
23	Oct 14	Dish to Pass Dinner	
24			
25	Nov 11	Election	
26			
27	Dec 9	Holiday Decorations	Ray Fox

Some of the recent changes made to the schedule have been necessitated because of the recent rise in the price of Gas.

Thanks to ED Cobb for his never ending search for meeting topics and speakers. Our club is only as good as its members, and Ed has to be commended for his work and dedication to assure a monthly meeting and continued interest in our gardening club. Committee meetings are taking place and reports will be given some by committee chairpersons.



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## Calendar of Events

**July - August 2008**

Unless another location is listed in the entry, events are held at the Cornell Cooperative Extension Education Center, 615 Willow Avenue, Ithaca NY.

### **Calling All Gardeners! Tips for Successful Gardening**

#### ***Dates/Times t.b.a.***

Four Question and Answer Sessions will be held in July or August in Caroline, Groton, Trumansburg, and Newfield. Pat Curran, Horticulture Educator, will field questions on a wide variety of topics. Beginning gardeners are welcome, too! Free and open to the public. Two pH tests on soil samples will be done at each site on a first come, first served, basis. Call Cooperative Extension, 272-2292, in late June email Pat Curran at [pc21@cornell.edu](mailto:pc21@cornell.edu) for more information on dates and locations.

### **Kitchen Garden Tours**

#### **6:00 or 6:30 pm until dark, *Dates t.b.a.***

We will be scheduling several kitchen garden tours in July/August. See how gardeners cope with the challenges and reap the rewards of growing their own food. Favorite varieties, garden practices, deer exclusion, and other topics will be discussed. *Fee:* \$5. Call Cooperative Extension, 272-2292, in late June email Pat Curran at [pc21@cornell.edu](mailto:pc21@cornell.edu) for more information on dates and locations.

### **Hidden Valley 4-H Camp 2008**

#### **One-week sessions, July 6-August 15**

Located in beautiful Watkins Glen State Park. Residential or day camp. Co-ed, ages 8-17 (8-15 for Day Camp). Activity choices and afternoon adventures. 4-H membership is not required. \$260/week residential; \$125/week day camp. Information and registration forms available at [www.hiddenvalley4hcamp.org](http://www.hiddenvalley4hcamp.org) or request a brochure at 607-535-7141, [hiddenvalley4hcp@cornell.edu](mailto:hiddenvalley4hcp@cornell.edu). Offered by Cornell Cooperative Extension of Schuyler County, 208 Broadway, Montour Falls NY 14865.

### **Kids Gardening Club**

#### **Saturdays, July 19-August 30, 10:00-11:00 am (no program August 2, and August 9)**

Young gardeners welcome! Learn basic gardening skills while helping out in the Growing Gardens. Adopt a plot and choose what to grow. Projects and plants to take home. All ages welcome. For more information, contact Leigh MacDonald-Rizzo 272-2292 x186 or email [lam26@cornell.edu](mailto:lam26@cornell.edu).

### **Herb Garden Natural Dyes: A Family Fun Workshop**

#### **Saturday, July 19, 1:00-2:30 pm - *RESCHEDULED for Sunday, 7/27, 1-2:30 pm***

*Ithaca Children's Garden, Cass Park, Rt. 89 Ithaca*

Create with colors from nature. Use herbs and plants growing at the Ithaca Children's garden to create natural dyes to transform t-shirts, socks, and scarves. For ages 7 and up. \$5 per child or \$10 per family. Please register by noon, Friday July 18. For more information contact Leigh MacDonald-Rizzo at 272-2292 x186 or email: [lam26@cornell.edu](mailto:lam26@cornell.edu).

## Save Energy, Save Dollars

### Monday, July 21, 7:00 pm

Participants will learn about low-cost and no-cost ways to reduce their energy usage and about programs that can help them afford energy-efficiency improvements. Each participating household will receive a free kit of energy-saving items worth \$15. This workshop is free, but pre-registration is required. Call CCE to reserve a seat at (607) 272-2292 or email Carole Fisher at [crf11@cornell.edu](mailto:crf11@cornell.edu). (*Offered again on Thursday 8/14 at 6:30 pm; Wednesday 9/17 at 6:30 pm; Thursday 9/25 at 12 Noon; Thursday 10/2 at 6:30 pm; Thursday 10/16 at 12:00 Noon; and Wednesday 10/29 at 6:30 pm.*)

## Ithaca Children's Garden "Turtle Time"

### Tuesdays, July 22-September 16, 6:00-7:00 pm

*Ithaca Children's Garden, Cass Park, Rt. 89 Ithaca*

Families are invited to spend the evening with Gaia the Turtle in her Wetland Habitat. Explorations and hands-on activities about water, wetlands, plants, insects, and turtles. All ages welcome. For more information contact Leigh MacDonald-Rizzo 272-2292 x186 or [lam26@cornell.edu](mailto:lam26@cornell.edu).

## Summer Sprouts

### Wednesdays, July 23-September 17, 10:00-11:00 am

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Experience the wonders of gardening through stories and hands-on activities. Especially for young children ages 2-5 and their caregivers. Each session includes a story, hands-on activity, and gardening in the Growing Gardens. For more information, contact Leigh MacDonald-Rizzo 272-2292 x186 or email: [lam26@cornell.edu](mailto:lam26@cornell.edu).

## Canning for Beginners

### Tuesday, July 22, 6:30-8:30pm

We'll be learning how to safely preserve foods using a boiling water bath canner and up-to-date methods. Fee \$15. Advance registration and pre-payment required. For more information, call Carole Fisher at 272-2292 or email [crf11@cornell.edu](mailto:crf11@cornell.edu).

## Garden Discoveries

### Thursdays, July 24-August 28 (no program on July 31), 10:00-11:00 am

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There are tons of discoveries to be made at the Ithaca Children's Garden. Drop by every Thursday morning to explore the Garden through science experiments, art projects, scavenger hunts, and gardening activities. For more information, contact Leigh MacDonald-Rizzo 272-2292 x186 or email [lam26@cornell.edu](mailto:lam26@cornell.edu).

- **July 24:** *Soil Safari*
- **August 7:** *Wacky Weather*
- **August 14:** *Paper Making*
- **August 21:** *A Buzz About Bugs*
- **August 28:** *Cattail Creations*

## 4-H Youth Fair

### Thursday, July 24 - Saturday, July 26

*4-H Acres, 418 Lower Creek Rd, off Rte 13, Ithaca*

Bring the family to see animal shows daily, and youth project work on display at this entirely 4-H youth-run fair. Youth Talent Show Friday evening. Saturday is "Family Fun Day" with games, hands-on activities, Chicken BBQ. Free admission and parking. For a schedule of activities, visit <http://counties.cce.cornell.edu/tompkins/4h/fair/index.htm>.

## Compost with Confidence

### Last Saturday of every month (June through October), 12:00 noon-1:00 pm

*Compost Demonstration Site, Ithaca Community Gardens (near the Farmers' Market)*

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**July 26** - *Troubleshooting*

**August 30** - *Is it done? & Compost Uses*

**September 27** - *"Stealth" Composting (double-bin, indoor system)*

**October 25** - *Winter Composting*

## **Bug Hunt: A Family Fun Workshop**

**Saturday, July 26, 1:00-2:00 pm**

*Ithaca Children's Garden, Cass Park, Rt. 89, Ithaca*

Explore the world of insects at the Ithaca Children's Garden. A unique opportunity to catch, observe, and release a diversity of insects alongside entomologist Carolyn Klass. Learn different types of insects, where to find them, and they that are important to the Garden. For ages 5 and up. \$5 per child or \$10 per family. Please register by noon, Friday, July 25. For more information contact Leigh MacDonald-Rizzo at 272-2292 x186 or email: [lam26@cornell.edu](mailto:lam26@cornell.edu).

## **Exploring Credit/Debt Management Issues**

**Monday, July 28, 6:00 pm**

Information on selecting and using credit wisely are shared at this workshop. Also strategies for paying down debt, obtaining and reviewing a credit report, and understanding a credit score are presented. Participants receive free credit management tools. Class size is limited. Advance registration is required. Call 272-2292 for more information or to reserve a seat.

## **Let's Salsa! Making & Canning Fresh Salsa**

**Tuesday, July 29, 7:00-9:00 pm**

We'll be making and canning fresh salsa. This is a hands-on workshop and everyone will take home a jar of canned salsa made at the workshop. Fee \$15. Pre-registration and pre-payment are required. Contact Carole Fisher for more information at 272-2292 or [crf11@cornell.edu](mailto:crf11@cornell.edu).

## **Natural Leaders Initiative**

**July 31: Nomination Deadline**

Do you know someone who has ideas about how to make things better in the community? Who can get things done? Who people go to for help? The Natural Leaders Initiative supports talented people (particularly those from low- and moderate-income communities and communities of color) to grow as community leaders. NLI participants take part in a supportive leadership development group (8 sessions), meet established community leaders, and work on a community action project they choose. Child care, dinner and (if needed) help with transportation are provided for each session; the program is free. Nomination forms are available at [www.ccetompkins.org/nli](http://www.ccetompkins.org/nli), by calling 272-2292 ext. 167, or by emailing [mjh17@cornell.edu](mailto:mjh17@cornell.edu).

## **August 2008 [and beyond](#)**

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## **Turtle Hatchday Celebration**

**Saturday, August 2**

*Ithaca Children's Garden, Rt. 89, Cass Park, Ithaca*

The Hatchday Celebration is a big, fun, birthday party for Gaia the Turtle -- the Ithaca Children's Garden signature feature. Celebrate Gaia the Turtle's 3rd birthday with a party filled with hands-on activities for the whole family. Face painting, cake and ice cream, live reptiles and amphibians with the Cornell Herp Club and a performance by storyteller Perry Ground. For more information contact Leigh MacDonald-Rizzo 272-2292 x186 or [lam26@cornell.edu](mailto:lam26@cornell.edu).

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## **Dividing Bearded Irises and Other Perennials**

**Tuesday, August 5, 6:00-8:00 pm**

August is the right time to divide bearded and dwarf irises and some other perennials. Come prepared to work at this hands-on workshop. We will tackle donated clumps, but participants can also bring clumps from home to divide. Rain or shine (indoors if wet). Fee: \$5. Limited to 15 participants; prepayment required. For information, call 272-2292 or email Pat Curran at [pc21@cornell.edu](mailto:pc21@cornell.edu).



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## Finger Lakes Culinary Bounty Harvest Dinner

**Thursday, August 7, 6:30-9:30 pm**

*Geneva-on-the-Lake, Geneva, NY*

A locally sourced five course gourmet dinner paired with Finger Lakes Wines and stories of the farmers, producers, winemakers and the chefs themselves. Geneva on the Lake, 6:30pm - 9:30pm. Tickets required. For information, call Liz Karabinakis at 272-2292 or email [evk4@cornell.edu](mailto:evk4@cornell.edu). For reservations call 315-789-7190.

## Farm City Day

**Saturday, August 9, 11:00 am-4:00 pm**

*Angel Tree Farm Alpacas, 554 Scofield Road on the border of Lansing & Groton*

Spend the day on a working farm learning about agriculture. Hands-on, interactive exhibits, scheduled activities throughout the day - fun for the whole family! Debbie Teeter, 272-2292 for more information. Free.

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**August 16:** *What Weed Where*

**August 23:** *Wacky Weather*

**August 30:** *Harvest and Salsa Making*

## Midsummer Fairy Gardens: A Family Fun Workshop

**Saturday August 16, 1:00-2:30 pm**

*Ithaca Children's Garden, Cass Park, Rt. 89 Ithaca*

Summer is a magical time when fairies often visit the human world. Learn how to invite fairies to your garden. Build fairy houses, mix-up fairy dust, weave a wand, and experience fairy magic at the Ithaca Children's Garden. For all ages. \$5 per child or \$10 per family. *Please register by noon, Friday August 15.* For more information contact Leigh MacDonald-Rizzo at 272-2292 x186 or email: [lam26@cornell.edu](mailto:lam26@cornell.edu).

## Farm Trail Open House

**Saturday & Sunday, August 16 & 17, 12:00-5:00 pm**

Gather up friends and family and hit the Farm Trail! This is a great opportunity to Visit with local farmers, enjoy the scenery, taste the harvest and support local organic and sustainable farms. Bring a cooler and buy farm fresh products along the way. Buy your Farm Trail Tour Button at Cooperative Extension. \$2/person or \$5 for 4 buttons. A button is your

entry to the farm for one or both days. For a tour brochure and more information, call Appollonya Porcelli at 607-272-2292!

## **Consumer Issues Programs: Landlord/Tenant Rights & Responsibilities**

**Wednesday, August 20, 11:00 am-1:00 pm**

A NY State Attorney General's Office representative will make a brief presentation, then consult with individuals on unresolved consumer problems until 1 pm. Free and open to the public. No appointment is needed. Presentations are taped and broadcast on Cable Access Channel 15 on Mondays at 7 am, 1 pm & 7 pm.

## **Dinners on the Farm**

**Sunday, August 24**

*Sweetland Farm, 9732 Route 96, Trumansburg*

Experience an elegant dinner hosted by area CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) farms featuring foods from the farm prepared by some of our outstanding chefs and paired wines from the Finger Lakes. A series of 4 dinners is being planned, the first is on August 24 at Sweetland Farm just north of Trumansburg. Dinner will be prepared by Hazelnut Kitchen paired with Atwater Vineyard wines. Proceeds from the dinner will go towards funding CSA shares for low income families. For more information, contact Liz Karabinakis at 607-272-2292 or [evk4@cornell.edu](mailto:evk4@cornell.edu).

## **Basil Festival**

**Sunday August 24, 1:00-3:00 pm**

*Ithaca Children's Garden, Cass Park, Rt. 89, Ithaca*

Celebrate the wonders of this amazing herb with activities for the whole family including taste-tests, pesto-making, basil art, basil, science, and more!

\$1 per person. For more information contact Leigh MacDonald-Rizzo at 272-2292 x186 or email: [lam26@cornell.edu](mailto:lam26@cornell.edu).

## **Ithaca Children's Garden Volunteer Days**

**Saturday, August 30, 9:00 am-12:00 pm**

*Ithaca Children's Garden, Cass Park, Rt. 89 Ithaca*

Get your hands dirty helping the Ithaca Children's Garden grow. Volunteer to help maintain and build new gardens. All ages welcome.

For more information contact Meghan Pressley Cerveny 272-2292 x122 or [mep245@cornell.edu](mailto:mep245@cornell.edu).

## **Recycle the Harvest: A Family Fun Workshop**

**Saturday, August 30, 1:00-2:00 pm**

*Ithaca Children's Garden, Cass Park, Rt. 89 Ithaca*

Reuse and transform "trash" into gardening essentials. Create a harvest tote bag, a watering can, and your own pots. Help with the harvest and sowing a Fall crop. For ages 5 and up. \$5 per child or \$10 per family. Please register by noon, Friday August 29. For more information, contact Leigh MacDonald-Rizzo at 272-2292 x186 or email [lam26@cornell.edu](mailto:lam26@cornell.edu).

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