

Why gardening and education is so important

In a garden, people can breathe fresh air, discover, watch things grow and experience what homegrown, food really tastes like. They can work and play in a place where they use their hands and connect with the earth and think and plan and hope and wonder.

In a garden, children can connect with their parents, siblings and friends. Real conversations can happen.

In a garden, everyone can learn cause and effect and even patience and the sweet taste of victory.

In a garden, people (no matter the age) can take passionate ownership, knowing that their daily actions really can make a difference for a self-sustaining future.

Who would have thought that engaging in gardening could make such a difference or that it really is so important? And although it is wonderful to have organizations and companies play a major role in allowing this to happen, we need more of them.

It also takes people like you and me to plant that seed and nurture its growth. I hope that you are doing something to help make that happen in your life or community, too.

Please add the educational opportunities of the Community Garden Partnership to your winter to-do lists to your spring gardening plans! And share with others!



Community Garden Sign – Up

Saturday, April 10, 2010—11:00AM-12:30PM

UW-Extension Office, 3365 W Brewster, Appleton

Location

**All educational 2010 events will be held at Outagamie County UW-Extension Office, 3365 W. Brewster Street, Appleton
To sign up for a class contact Susan Richardson at 920-832-5119**

<i>Class</i>	<i>Date & Time</i>	<i>Instructor</i>	<i>Cost</i>
Making & Using Compost	Saturday, Jan 23 10-11:30 a.m.	Ruth Freye/Susan Richardson	None
Canning/Drying/Freezing "Good Food"	Wednesday, Feb 17 6-8:30 p.m.	Mar & Jessica Bentley/ Rod Sternhagen	\$8.00
Rain Barrels	Saturday, March 27 10-1:30 a.m.	Rod Sternhagen	\$5.00 ** \$40.00 for completed rain barrel
Integrated Pest Mgt	Saturday, April 17 10-11:30 a.m.	Barb Boudry/Erik Kraemer	None
Improving your soil & building a no-till garden site	Saturday, May 15 10-11:30 .m.	Sharon Vaughn/Gail Miller	None

Please advise us at time of registration if you are handicapped & desire special accommodations. Requests will be kept confidential.