

*The Danville Master Gardeners and Virginia Cooperative Extension
present the 11th Annual*

Spring to Green

Less Work, More Garden

Saturday, February 3, 2024
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Olde Dominion Agricultural Complex
19783 US Hwy 29, Chatham, VA



Keynote Speakers



Pat Lust

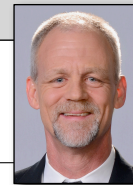
Patricia Lust, a native of Ohio farm country, holds degrees in music from Heidelberg University, New England Conservatory of Music, and Indiana University. She spent her career mostly as a singer and as a music teacher, first in several public schools then in universities in New Hampshire and Indiana before coming to Longwood University in Virginia. At Longwood, she spent 37 years on the music faculty and in several different administrative positions before retiring in 2016.

In 2001, Ms. Lust joined the Heart of Virginia Master Gardeners and pursued her special interests in native plants and plant propagation. In 2018, she moved to the Goochland/Powhatan Master Gardeners and has just completed a 4-year term as the vice president for education. Under her leadership GPMGA developed an active speakers' bureau and a popular community-oriented, 10-week course entitled Gardening 101.



Mary Ann Hansen

In March, 2022, Mary Ann Hansen retired from her position as Extension Plant Pathologist at Virginia Tech. She received her Bachelor's degree in plant pathology from The Ohio State University and her Master's degree in plant pathology from the University of Wisconsin – Madison. She diagnosed plant diseases in Virginia Tech's Plant Disease Clinic since 1984. Mary Ann also taught courses in plant diagnostics, plant domestication, and general biology at Virginia Tech, and has enjoyed teaching Master Gardeners over the course of her 37-year career. As a member of the Virginia Boxwood Blight Task Force, she joined a team of researchers, Extension agents, specialists, and personnel from the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to create the Boxwood Blight Task Force website, a definitive source of information on the invasive fungal disease. Boxwood blight was introduced to Virginia in 2011. In retirement, Mary Ann still spends time looking through the barrel of a microscope and taking pictures of colorful fungi.



Bryce Lane

Bryce Lane discovered his passion for plants and telling others about them while working at a small Massachusetts garden center through high school and college. After earning his BS in Plant Science at the University of Massachusetts and MS in Ornamental Horticulture at The Ohio State University, he came to the Department of Horticultural Science at NC State University as a Lecturer in 1981; he retired in 2014 after teaching and advising more than 25,000 students. He was the recipient of numerous local, regional, and national teaching awards.

From 2003-2014 Bryce hosted and produced the three-time Emmy winning, UNC TV public television show, "In the Garden with Bryce Lane". He now spends his time giving horticulture talks, doing leadership and communication training, working with the North Carolina Extension and the NC Nursery and Landscape Association, and teaching part-time at NC State and at the JC Raulston Arboretum. An avid gardener, Bryce has gardened on the same one-quarter acre plot for 40 years.

Schedule of Events

9:00 am	Registration Coffee & breakfast bars available Vendors open	Sip sustainably! BYO cup for a greener conference experience!
9:30am	Opening Session/Welcome	
9:45am	Pat Lust presents: Native Plants in Your Garden	
10:45am	Break: Vendors, Silent Auction	
11:15am	Bryce Lane presents: Creating and Caring for Sustainable Home Landscapes	
12:15pm	Lunch: Vendors, Silent Auction	
1:30pm	Mary Ann Hansen presents: Choosing Problem-free Plants for Your Landscape	



How to Register

Online Registration: Go to www.eventbrite.com and search for Spring to Green or follow the QR Code. Registered attendees will receive a confirmation email.



Early Bird Registration: \$45 by December 12, 2023
Registration: \$50 after December 12, 2023
Registration Deadline: Jan 17, 2024

Registration fees are non-refundable

If you don't have access to internet or you need more information, call Debra Bailey at 336-340-1981 or call the Virginia Cooperative Extension office at 434-799-6558.

Shopping Opportunities

Silent Auction

Handcrafted with love by a Danville Master Gardener, this stunning quilt showcases the "Shifting Gardens" pattern design by Elise Lea. Meticulously crafted using 100% cotton fabrics from the Surrey Meadows collection by Robert Kaufman, each piece is cut and machine-pieced to perfection. The quilt is then expertly longarm machine-quilted, ensuring both beauty and durability. With its colors and design inspired by the ever-changing beauty of nature, this quilt measures approximately 74 x 74 inches, making it a true masterpiece.



Vendor Marketplace

Visit the marketplace and uncover an assortment of garden treasures tailored just for you. From charming pots to captivating yard art and essential horticultural tools, there's something for every gardening enthusiast. Our marketplace features a wide selection of vendors offering an array of garden and horticultural delights. Don't miss this opportunity to add a touch of artistic flair to your garden sanctuary!

Hydroponic Kit - Raffle Prize #1

Experience year-round gardening bliss with the AeroGarden Harvest 360. This indoor hydroponic system grows your favorite plants in water, sans soil. With space for six plants up to 12 inches tall, it features a high-performance 20W LED grow light that mimics natural sunlight, promoting up to 5x faster germination. The package includes the AeroGarden, LED grow light system, power adapter, plant food, and a Gourmet Herb Seed Pod Kit.



Trail & Game Camera - Raffle Prize #2

Capture wildlife in its natural habitat with our high-resolution Trail & Game Camera. This waterproof marvel provides crisp photos and videos, even in low-light conditions, thanks to its impressive night vision capabilities. Whether you're an avid wildlife enthusiast or simply love exploring the outdoors, this camera is your perfect companion for documenting nature's wonders.



Directions

The address is: 19783 US Highway 29, Chatham, VA

The Olde Dominion Agricultural Complex (ODAC) is located between Chatham and Gretna on Highway 29.

- The ODAC is located approximately 8.3 miles south of Gretna, Va
- The ODAC is located on the left, approximately 23.5 miles north of Danville, Va. When you reach Danville, bear right to remain on the US Highway 29 North bypass.

Danville Master Gardeners



Danville Master Gardeners take an active interest in gardening. We are enthusiastic people who are willing to learn and enjoy educating and helping others. We provide a broad range of gardening information to children and adults in a variety of ways.

For additional information or to learn more about becoming a Master Gardener, call the Danville Extension Office at 434.799.6558 or send an email to danvillemastergardeners@gmail.com. The Danville Master Gardener Association meets monthly and offers outstanding educational programs. All meetings are open to the public. For a list of the educational programs, visit our website at www.danvillemastergardeners.org.

Weather Alert

If inclement weather causes cancellation, ticket holders will be notified by email or telephone and notices will be placed on the DMGA and Eventbrite websites.

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