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Spring Events at Cornell Cooperative Extension Schoharie County

Cornell Cooperative Extension Schoharie County has announced a full schedule of spring events for farmers, gardeners, youth, and families. Pre-registration is required for all events; contact or visit the Extension Office at 173 South Grand Street, Cobleskill, (518)234-4303 or 296-8310.

Volunteer Master Gardeners will host "Spring Fever Day" on Saturday, March 19, at the Extension Center, 173 South Grand Street, Cobleskill. Participants will learn the best methods for container vegetable gardening, perennial gardening in sun and shade, proper pruning techniques for trees and small fruits, and management strategies for common weeds. Registration is \$10 per person.

Family Garden Day at Cooperative Extension is scheduled for Saturday, April 9, from 9 to 11 a.m. and will welcome children and adults to decorate flower pots and choose and plant vegetable and ornamental seeds to plant in a starting tray to take home. Registration for Family Garden Day is \$10 per family. On Thursday, March 24, "Save Energy, Save Dollars," a free workshop, will be conducted from 10 a.m. to noon at the Extension Center. "Wise Use of Credit" is the theme of another free workshop on Thursday, March 31 from 10 a.m. to noon, and again on Thursday, April 14. Accommodations for persons with special needs may be requested by contacting Cornell Cooperative Extension Schoharie County prior to any program.

Extension events are announced in the bi-monthly newsletter, *The Scoop*, a free publication available to anyone who asks or who enrolls as a member. The March

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and April issue includes an abbreviated list of Vegetable Varieties for Gardeners in New York State, 2011. The list of vegetables to grow, compiled annually by the Department of Horticulture at Cornell University, specifies varieties that have been proven to be well adapted for New York State home garden use, that offer relatively high quality, that are dependable, possess disease and insect resistance when possible, and have a relatively long harvest period. Visit or call the Extension Office at 173 South Grand Street, Cobleskill, (518)234-4303 or 296-8310, to get a copy of the March and April issue of *The Scoop* and to be added to the mailing list.

Also available at no cost at the Extension Office is the *Small Farm Quarterly*, published by the Cornell Small Farms Program for anyone who values the quality of life that smaller farms provide.

The 4-H Youth Program will be busy this season too with local, regional and statewide events. For details, ask for a copy of the *Schoharie County 4-H Chronicle* when you visit or contact the Extension Office.

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