UF/IFAS Extension, Lake County – Speakers Bureau Presentation List

Each speaker is a certified UF/IFAS Master Gardener Volunteer. Presentations are 45 to 60 minutes long; followed by a 15 to 20-minute period for questions and answers. We provide literature about the topics including UF/IFAS EDIS factsheets and other handouts with general gardening information. Our presentations are in Microsoft® PowerPoint.

**Container Gardening** - Using containers to grow plants instead of planting directly into the landscape. What are the advantages and design elements to keep in mind?

**(FFL) 9 Principles of Florida** – Discusses the 9 Principles for Florida Friendly Landscaping (FFL) including Right Plant, Right Place, Attract Wildlife, Mulch, etc.

**Growing Root Crops** – How and when to plant and grow various root crops such as potatoes and radishes.

**Herbs in the Landscapes** - Explains what herbs are and where to plant herbs. Covers such topics as using herbs for ground cover, borders, shrubbery, etc.

**Hydrangeas, Azaleas and Roses** - Types of these shrubs and how to grow & care for them. Common pests and pruning methods as well.

**Mulching & Composting** – FFL Principle #7 - What is mulch? How to use it? Types of Mulch with pros and cons. How to compost and what can be used in your compost pile.

**Planting and Pruning Shrubs and Trees** – How to keep trees healthy by planting and pruning properly, learn how to plant and prune your shrubs and trees

**Plant Diseases** – What is the plant disease triangle and how to combat plant diseases in your yard

**Spring/Fall Vegetable Gardening** - Basics of what and how to plant vegetables in the fall and spring.

**Wildlife Friendly Yard** - learn how to create a wildlife friendly yard. Answers the questions of “why” and “how” to attract wildlife to your yard

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Note: New Talks are always being added, so please contact the UF/IFAS Lake County Extension Office for the latest updates: 352-343-4101, press 2 or Juwanda.Rowell@ufl.edu.

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