

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