

More Upcoming Events

Spring Tree Sale

April 18th 11:00am-6:00pm

April 19th 9:00am- noon

Pre-order deadline:

March 28, 2008

Pickup location:

Conservation District Office

For More Information, or to
order online:

www.vanburencd.org

Native Plant

Workshop & Sale

June 13th Times: TBA

Pre-order deadline:

March 28, 2008

Location:

Conservation District Office

Watch our website for more
information as it becomes
available, order forms
should be available by mid
March.

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*Join us at the
Van Buren
Conference Center
for these exciting
Spring Workshops!*

LANDSCAPING FOR WATER QUALITY: RAIN GARDENS

March 11, 2008

6:00-9:00 pm

HEALTHY HOME: UNDERSTANDING YOUR HOME'S ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

April 1, 2008

6:00-9:00 pm





Registration

Register online!
www.vanburencd.org



Simple, every day activities can have drastic effects on the quality of water in our treasured lakes, rivers, streams, wetlands and ground (drinking) water! Understanding these risks is the first step to making positive changes to protect our natural resources!

Register for: Cost/ person Total

Landscaping For Water Quality: \$5.00

Rain Gardens

March 11, 2008 6-9pm

Registration Deadline: March 7

Healthy Home: Understanding Your Home's Environmental Impacts

\$5.00

April 1, 2008 6-9pm

Registration Deadline, March 28

Total: _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Names of additional attendees _____

Method of Payment

- Check payable to Van Buren Conservation District
- Visa
- MasterCard
- Discover

Credit Card # _____ Exp. date _____

Signature _____

Please detach this form and return with payment to:
Van Buren Conservation District
1035 E. Michigan Ave
Paw Paw, MI 49079

Landscaping for Water Quality: Rain Gardens

Join us at the Van Buren Conference Center to welcome back Patricia Pennell, Program Coordinator for the Rain Gardens of West Michigan Project!

Patricia has been a driving force behind the installation of many rain gardens and will share with us her expertise on designing and constructing rain gardens for a home, business or school.

If you attended last year's "Landscaping for Water Quality" workshop and liked what you heard from Patricia, you will love this presentation. This year's workshop will focus only on Rain Gardens, we will discuss every aspect of Rain Gardens – from figuring out your soil type, to calculating your roof runoff, sizing your rain garden, selecting plants, planning, construction, maintenance and more!

If you have decided "This is the year for my Rain Garden" or if you just want to find out what a Rain Garden is, then this is the workshop for you!

Healthy Home: Understanding Your Home's Environmental Impacts

Most of us spend a lot of time in our homes. What you do in and around your home can affect water quality– both below ground and in nearby lakes, streams, wetlands or ponds. Knowing about potential risks to surrounding ground and surface water is essential to safeguard the health and well-being of you and your neighbors as well as those downstream.

This workshop will utilize the Home Assessment System (Home*A*Syst) guide as a reference point to discuss several areas such as how to protect ground and surface water resources around your home, managing storm water, household septic systems, yard and garden care, household hazardous waste, recycling and much more.

Each attendee will receive a copy of the Home*A*Syst booklet, a tool which can be used to identify environmental risks and potential solutions in and around your home.

For more information, please visit our website:

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or call us at (269)657-4030 ext. 5