

Training Sites

Gardeners may attend the forums at a participating Extension office. Educators will be there to share educational materials and expertise.

A list of training sites is available at our website, which is listed below.

Registration may be required by a local Extension office. Registration may be done at our website or via phone to your local Extension office.

Online Opportunities

You can join us online at home. Go to our website and register for online participation. We will send you a link to the forums.

Handouts will be posted on the Spring Fever website by 1:00 PM on the date of each forum.

Presentations will be recorded and later posted online.

Our Website

<https://www.ndsu.edu/agriculture/extension/spring-fever-garden-forums/>.

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Spring Fever

Garden Forums

Monday Nights
March 24 and 31
April 7 and 14
6:30 to 8:30 p.m. CDT



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Garden Forums 2025



North Dakota State University is offering a series of forums to help you care for your yard and garden.

Live presentations from NDSU will be delivered on the internet. Viewers can ask questions to the speakers. All sessions are free and recorded for future viewing.

Viewers can participate at home or at selected Extension offices across the state. See the back panel of this brochure for details.

All forums run from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. CDT. Registration is requested. Please register at <https://www.ndsu.edu/agriculture/extension/spring-fever-garden-forums/>.

March 24

Bucks and Blooms

How to Save Money at the Garden Center

Don Kinzler, Horticulture Educator

Prices have increased on nearly everything. We will discuss ways to save money at the garden center without sacrificing beauty or performance.

What's Special About Daylilies?

Esther McGinnis, Extension Horticulturist

We often ignore daylilies because they are ubiquitous in the landscape. We will teach you to appreciate their many forms and colors.

Designing Urban Pollinator Gardens

April Johnson, Extension Pollinator Technician

Discover how to unleash your creativity in designing an urban pollinator habitat that even the most skeptical of neighbors will love.

March 31

Yards and Gardens

Super Shrubs for Landscapes

Todd West, Professor

Picking the perfect shrub can turn your landscape into a showstopper.

Simple Lawn Mower Maintenance

Alan Zuk, Turf Educator

Learn basic maintenance procedures that you can perform to keep your mower in shape.

Growing Cucumbers in North Dakota

Tom Kalb, Extension Horticulturist

Cucumbers are a popular crop in gardens. We will discuss selecting cultivars, sowing, irrigating, managing pests and harvesting.

April 7

Soils and Weeds

Minimal Till Gardening

Kelsey Deckert, Horticulture Educator

Many gardeners are switching to no-till gardens. Learn what the hype is all about.

The Dark Side of Weeding

Emily How, Horticulture Educator

We will describe a simple method to harness the power of the sun and a dark covering to eradicate weeds in your garden.

The Good, Bad and Ugly of Herbicides

Jeff Stachler, Ext. Cropping System Specialist

Learn about the positives and negatives of using herbicides in gardens and landscapes.

April 14

Special Topics

Night-Flying "Ghosts" in Your Gardens

Jan Knodel, Extension Entomologist

Moths are most active at night pollinating when bees are inactive. We will discuss common moths and how to attract them to your garden.

Growing Grapes for Juice, Jelly or Wine

Harlene Hatterman-Valenti, High-Value Crops

Learn the basics of growing grapes in North Dakota. This includes selecting cultivars, planting, pruning and harvesting.

The First Signs of Spring

Joe Zeleznik, Extension Forester

We will discuss the environmental signals that trees — and their pests — receive in the spring to initiate their annual growth.

More Information

Go to <https://www.ndsu.edu/agriculture/extension/spring-fever-garden-forums/>.