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Gardening Seminar Open to Public at Ned Smith Center
Bucknell University Greenhouse Manager Presenter of Program Millersburg, PA
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Date to Keep: Saturday, April 29th 10 am to 12 noon

HEADING: Meet and Greet the Gardening Techniques of the 21st Century at the Ned Smith Center for Nature and Art.

Presentation: Keeping the Bugs at Bay with Beneficial Insects and Flawless Gardening Techniques and Tools

Millersburg, PA- The Ned Smith Center will be the host for a special gardening program opportunity for the community to participate in a two-hour session to "meet and greet the beneficial insects of your garden."

The talk will be held on Saturday, April 29th from 10 am to noon in the Center's lower level of the Sourbeer and Lick Education building located two miles outside of Millersburg off of Route 209 on Water Company Road.

Flora Eyster, the greenhouse manager at Bucknell University and professional IPM and organic horticulturist, will be the presenter. She was formerly with Walnut Acres Organic Farms in Penns Creek, PA.

Eyster is a trained gardener who has worked in the agriculture and landscape industry since 1980. She has hands-on experience with our native landscape plants and problem solves with attendees to answer questions about their own garden issues. Her specialty is helping residential homeowners identify the insects that benefit the garden and coaxing them in as permanent garden benefactors.

In addition, her talk will focus on getting acquainted with new horticultural products that are safe for birds, pets, children and the environment. Eyster will introduce those attending to use of soap, water, canola oils, chocolate and other husk mulches and composts.

Eyster will cover "Lifetime Tools, Good Choices for your Years of Satisfying and Effective Gardening." She will share her skills of years of good record keeping in the home landscape. The Ned Smith Center for Nature and Art gift shop will offer the record keeping journals for sale.

Please call the Ned Smith Center for Nature and Art for details and to make your reservation. But hurry, seats are filling up fast. There will be an organic coffee and pastry break mid way through the two-hour session.

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