



The Wheelbarrow

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Fruits & Nuts in the Home Garden with Dr. David Lockwood

UT Extension Fruit and Nut Crops Specialist
Thursday, November 17th, 7 pm
Johnson City Power Board Building



Dr. David Lockwood received his Ph.D. from the University of Georgia and currently holds faculty appointments there and at the University of TN Plant and Soil Sciences in Knoxville (where he is the Extension Fruit and Nut Crops Specialist.) David travels and lectures extensively throughout the United States and abroad (including France, Italy, and Spain) and is recognized as a grape specialist and wine connoisseur.

Invite a guest to learn all about which fruits and nuts are suitable for Northeast Tennessee home gardens!

November Events:

Monday the 14th: **SAPS Board Meeting**, 6 pm at Netherland Inn.

Thursday the 17th: **SAPS Meeting with Dr. David Lockwood: "Fruits & Nuts in the Home Garden"** Johnson City Power Board building, 7 pm. Guests are welcome.



Monday the 28th: **Registration deadline for Wreath-Making Workshop (see below)**

December Events:

Thursday the 1st: **Exchange Place Living History Farm Wreath-Making Workshop:** with Christy Shivell, from 9:30-2:30. Lunch and all materials included in the workshop fee of \$25 for SAPS members.

Saturday the 3rd: **Christmas in the Country at Exchange Place Living History Farm**, 10 am until 4 pm. Yule Log lighting at 4:15 pm.

Wreath-Making Workshop

Sure, you can buy a pre-made, basic wreath just about anywhere at holiday time, but why not learn how to craft a fresh wreath of your own, personalized with add-ons such as holly, magnolia, cedar berries, yew, pine cones, or dried flowers?

Exchange Place Living History Farm will sponsor a workshop with **Christy Shivell** of Shy Valley Native Habitat Nursery and Herbarium on hand to help inspire and guide the process. All materials -just-picked greenery, add-ons, wreath form, and wire- will be provided. There will also be a demonstration of how to fashion a kissing ball. Participants are encouraged to bring materials from their own gardens to use and share.

The cost for the day (9:30 am until 2:30 pm) is \$30 (but **\$25 for SAPS members**) and includes all materials and a home-made soup lunch. To reserve your place, mail a check, payable to Exchange Place, to Joy Moore, P.O. Box 87, Fall Branch, TN 37656.

Please include your phone number or email address for confirmation purposes. Registration is limited to 15 participants and the deadline is November 28th. Sorry, no cancellations or refunds are possible, but we will save your materials for you if you miss the event. Proceeds from the workshop go towards Exchange Place restoration efforts.

For more information, call Joy Moore at 423.348.6572 or send an email to jandjmoore@embarqmail.com

Coping Mechanisms

When only dull brown oak leaves cling to the trees and gardening suddenly drops off to nada, two things pull me though winter: bird feeding/watching and catalogs. It will be a while until catalogs pour in, but now is definitely the time to watch and feed my feathered friends.

The Cornell Lab of Ornithology's Project Feeder Watch begins right now (Nov. 1st) for the 2011-12 season. Hang a feeder by a window, keep track of which birds show up, and send your data to them for a scientific study. It's all explained on a delightful web site: www.birdscornell.edu/pfw

Hint: Show your Discount Card at SAPS Discount Vendors to purchase bird seed and feeders. Your card is good through December 31st.

Mark Your Calendars: Christmas in the Country

Saturday, December 3rd, from 10 am until 4 pm



Exchange Place Living History Farm knows how to celebrate the seasons...yes, even winter. Their “Christmas in the Country” event features sales of fresh greenery and trees, handcrafted wreaths and roping, and the traditional foods and folk arts one would find on a mid-19th century farm. The highlight of the day is the traditional lighting of the Yule Log with carol singing around the bonfire, beginning at 4:15. Admission is free.

For information and registration for workshops,
call 423.288.6071 or www.exchangeplace.info

Master Gardeners: Could you help staff an area with decorations from nature? Contact Sue Cadwallader at 423.288.6071 or cadwallader@embarqmail.com

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