Sustainable Landscape Seminar

Cost $25 per 2-day Seminar; 8:30am – 5pm
OSU Extension Service, 996 Jefferson St., Eugene (enter on 10th)

Seminar Topics:
- Water Resources
- Water Efficiently
- Mulch and Compost
- Gardening for Wildlife
- Healthy Gardens
- Right Plant-Right Place
- Sustainable Lawns
- Edible Landscaping/Vegetables

A Sustainable Landscape seminar provides the public with practical information to create sustainable/green/ecological landscapes. Participants will learn to utilize landscape practices that can be applied to their own yards, and will benefit by improving their soil biology and reducing erosion. They will save money by using fewer pesticides and less fertilizer and improving the quality and quantity of groundwater. Some outcomes to expect include lowering power, water and waste bills due to more efficient use of resources, and reducing the flow of organic matter into the landfill.

During the course, participants will complete a self-evaluation of their yards. If requested, a follow-up on-site evaluation within a few months or so may be done to see what improvements have been implemented. With an evaluation score of over 40 points the participants will earn a placard to display in their yard showing that their yard has been certified by OSU Extension Service as a Sustainable Landscape Project.

OSU Extension Service in Lane County receives a grant from EWEB to promote this program.

Snack and beverage included. Bring a lunch. Dress for walking outside.

Sustainable Landscape: Cost $25 per person. Class Date: ____________

Registration questions: 541-344-5859

Credit Card payment & registration can be made online under Upcoming Events, http://extension.oregonstate.edu/lane or at the Extension Office.

Checks: Please make checks payable to: OSU Extension Service

Mail check(s) to: OSU Extension Service - Lane County
996 Jefferson Street, Eugene, OR 97402

Name: ____________________________________________
Address: ___________________________________________
City: __________________ State: ____ Zip: _____________
Day Phone: __________________ Email: __________________

☐ Yes  ☐ No I agree to be contacted in the future for additional surveys and evaluations related to this program. I understand that participation in surveys and evaluations is voluntary and I may choose not to participate in surveys or evaluations without any impact on my eligibility to participate in Extension programs.
9 Steps Towards Sustainability in the Garden

Conserve Water

1. Use drip, micro-sprinkler, or soaker hoses wherever possible.
2. Use groundcovers or mulch on thinly vegetated areas to reduce erosion.

Improve Soil

3. Recycle grass clippings by leaving them on the lawn. Use a mulching mower, if possible.
4. Create and maintain a compost pile with yard trimmings, leaves and kitchen scraps.
5. Use compost to create healthy soil and to promote hardier plants and as mulch.

Avoid Invasive Plants

6. Ensure the landscape does not contain plants identified by OR Department of Agriculture and/or the Native Plant Society of OR as invasive. Replace with low maintenance natives or non-natives.

Support Wildlife

7. Allow beneficial weeds, such as dandelions, to bloom for bee food before pulling.
8. Provide a water source such as a birdbath or small pond for wildlife.
9. Provide wildlife shelters such as a bat house, bird house, or brush pile.