

Second DRAFT- Spring 2009:

Polycom Master Gardener Training - Okeechobee

2/11- 4/22, 9 am - 4 pm

Topics in Black are via Polycom, Blue are live presentations, Red to be arranged

February 11

9:00

Pretest

Introduction to Extension

Dan Culbert

A Sense of Place

– 12:00

Introduction to Computers & Extension websites

PM

[Visit Park #6 Butterfly Garden site]

February 18

9:00

Diagnostic problems

9:30 – 10:15

MG Orientation

Tom Wichman

10:30 – 11:30

Landscape Pitfalls and Mistaken Identities

Sydney Park Brown

11:30 – 12:00

Lunch

12:00 – 1:30

Florida Yards and Neighborhoods Program

Marina D'Abreau

1:45 - 3 pm

Florida Friendly Yard Evaluation

Angela Sachson

February 25

9:00

Diagnostic problems

Dooryard Fruit:

Dan Culbert

Citrus, Tropical and Temperate fruit

11:30 – 12:00

Lunch

12:00 – 1:30

Field Trip to local farm

Sal Varri

March 4

9:00

Diagnostic problems

9:30 – 10:30

Basic Botany

Dan Culbert

10:45 – 11:45

Pesticides and Pesticide Labeling

Fred Fishel

(early dismissal)

March 11

9:30 – 11:30

Soils and Fertilizers

Amy Shoer

11:45 – 12:45

Nutrient Deficiencies and their Causes

Monica Elliot

PM

Soil Surveys & pH testing

NRCS & Dan Culbert

Field Trip ?

March 18

9:30 – 10:45

Intro to Plant Pests – Basic Entomology

Jim Price

11:00 – 12:00

Intro to Plant Pests – Basic Pathology

Monica Elliott

12:00 – 12:30

Lunch

12:30 – 2:00

Household Pests

Phil Koehler

March 25

9:30 – 10:45	Intro to Plant Pests – Basic Nematology	Billy Crow
11:00 – 12:00	Intro to Plant Pests – Weeds	TBA
12:00 – 12:30	Lunch	
1:00 – 3:00	Plant propagation	Fred Burkey & Pat Bonis

April 1

9:30 – 11:30	Florida Lawns	Laurie Trenholm
11:30 – 12:00	Lunch	
12:00 – 1:00	Turf and Ornamental Insect Pests	Eileen Buss
1:00 – 2:00	Turf and Ornamental Diseases	Phil Harmon
2:15- 3:30	Field Trip: Landscape/nursery (irrigation evaluation)	

April 8

9:30 -	TBA – field trip to:	Guest presenters:
	UF/IRREC (Ft. Pierce)	Dr. Sandra Wilson
	St. Lucie County Master Gardener's gardens	Anita Neal
	Lunch @ McKee Botanical Garden (Vero Beach)	Andreas Daehnick
- 4:00	UF/FMEL (Vero Beach)	Dr. Roxanne Connelly

April 15

9:30 – 10:30	Vegetables	Sydney Park Brown
10:45 – 11:45	Customer Service	Tom Wichman
	Give out Final exam	
PM	Landscaping for Wildlife	Master Gardener
	Field Trip: Arnold's Garden & Tree Locators	

April 22

Student presentations
Go over Final Exam
Dealing with Customers / Your role as a MG Pat Miller
Graduation!