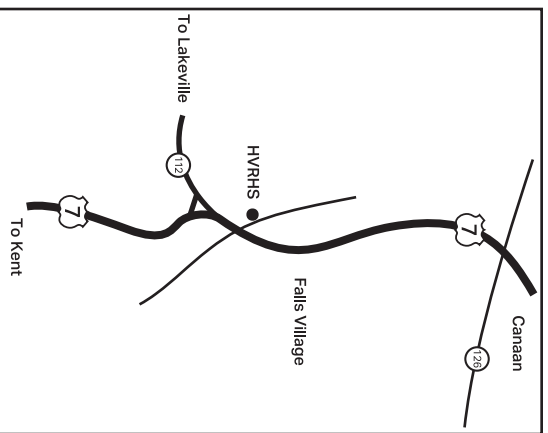


DIRECTIONS

Housatonic Valley Regional High School is at 246 Warren Turnpike in Falls Village, CT 06031. The driveway is located at the traffic light on Route 7 next to the bridge, just north of the intersection with Route 112.



Recertification Credits Possible:

Please visit www.madgardeners.org for more information.

Snow Day — Sunday, March 5, 2023. To learn if the symposium is postponed due to inclement weather, call one of the following: 860-355-3429 or 860-355-1547.

SCIENCE DAY—APRIL 6, 2023

Mad Gardeners sponsors a day-long program of speakers for high school students at Housatonic Valley Regional High School. We appreciate your help in paying for this program. Donations are optional and tax-deductible. Call 860-927-0081 if you are interested in attending this year's program on April 6.



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9:00-9:55 a.m. **REGISTRATION, Vendors, Exhibits**

10:00-10:15 a.m. **INTRODUCTION**

10:15-11:15 a.m. **Kim Eierman: Presentation
Beyond Sustainability: Using Our Landscapes as a Source of
Environmental Change**

A landscape is more than a combination of plants. It is a complex system where all life is connected. Kim Eierman explains how the choices we make can transition traditional landscapes to healthy ecosystems filled with life. We can go beyond sustainability and become a source of environmental change.

11:15-11:45 a.m. **Kim Eierman: Informal Q&A Session**

11:45-1:00 p.m. **FULL LUNCH** (included with registration), **Vendors, Exhibits**

1:10-2:10 p.m. **Ellen Scheid: Presentation
Creating Beneficial Landscapes with Native Plants**

Native plants are essential in the development and future of the horticulture and landscape industry. Ellen will be sharing her experience gardening with native plants and installing lawn alternatives in public and private sectors. She will detail the process of turning a blank canvas into a low-maintenance, beneficial landscape. Learn about the many wonderful native plants that are easy to grow and great substitutions for classic horticulture staples.

2:10-2:30 p.m. **Ellen Scheid: Informal Q&A Session**

2:30 p.m. **Conclusion of Mad Gardeners Symposium**

Moderator: **Jonathan Chesler**

BIOGRAPHIES

Kim Eierman is the founder of EcoBeneficial, LLC. She is an environmental horticulturist and ecological landscape designer specializing in native plants. In addition to being a Certified Horticulturist through the American Society for Horticultural Science, Kim is an Accredited Organic Landcare Professional and a member of the Steering Committee of The Native Plant Center. Kim Eierman is the author of **The Pollinator Victory Garden: Win the War on Pollinator Decline with Ecological Gardening**.

Ellen Scheid has been working in the garden since she was a young child with her father. She studied Natural Resource Management at Indiana University where her interest in native plants began. She now works as an Outdoor Gardener at New England Botanic Garden where her work is focused on landscaping with native plants.

For Additional Information Contact: 860.355.3429 or 860.671.9974

REGISTRATION FORM

use this mail-in form or register online at www.madgardeners.org

Pre-registration by **Monday, February 27, 2023** includes lunch. Late and at-door registration is possible if space is available but may not include lunch.

Name(s): _____

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