

**Master Gardener Class of 2017 Schedule**  
**Northern Shenandoah Valley Master Gardener Association**

**Feb 14:** Introduction to VCE Master Gardener program: Mark Sutphin, NSVMGA Board,  
County Coordinators  
Class administration/policies discussion

**Feb 16:** Botany I: Dr. Steve Carroll

**Feb 21:** Botany II; Dr. Steve Carroll

**Feb 23:** Entomology – Terry Fogle

**Feb 28:** Plant Pathology: Dr. Mizuho Nita

**Mar 2:** Plant ID: Randy Fogle  
Rain Garden Project: Elena Lycas

**Mar 7:** Animal Damage Control: Fred Frenzel  
Plant –Insect ID Apps; Internet research: Stacey Smith  
Physical Tools for Plant-Insect ID: Sharon Bradshaw

**Mar 9:** Lawns: Dr. Mike Goatley

**Mar 14:** Soils, Nutrient Management: Bobby Clark

**Mar 16:** Composting: Michael Neese  
Public Speaking: Anne Dewey Balzhimer

**Mar 21:** Annuals & Houseplants: Chris Schmidt

**Mar 23:** Perennials: Chris Schmidt

**Mar 28:** Berries: Lee Draper  
Fruit Trees: Ed Clark

**Mar 30:** Water Quality: Francis Reilly

**April 4:** Pruning: Lynne Phillips

**April 6:** Trees: Bart McDowell

**April 11:** Vegetables: Dr. Allen Straw

**April 13:** Propagation: Seeds: Lynn Hoffman  
Division: Stacey Smith

**April 15:** Propagation and Pruning Workshop, TBA

**April 18:** Landscaping: Dr. Robert McDuffie

**April 20:** Green Help Line Demo and Green Help Line Practicum

**April 25:** PMG: Mark Sutphin

**April 27:** VMS: NSVMGA Volunteer Coordinator and Time Keeper, Bob Carlton and Ann Levi

**May 2:** Pesticide Safety: Mark Sutphin  
Green Help Line Practicum

**May 4:** Habitat Gardening for Wildlife, Carol Heiser webinar  
Pollinator Habitat Gardening: Marie Marajov

**May 9:** Volunteerism: NSVMGA Committee leads and Unit project leads  
Youth in Horticulture, Carol Nansel, Helen Lake and Lynn Hoffman – Junior MGs

**May 11:** Green Help Line Practicum

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Distribute Exams

**May 18:** Grade Exam: Management Team

**June 3:** Garden Fest and Graduation