

Think Spring '08

Rain Gardens and Watersheds: Where does your rain drain?

Recent flooding certainly has our attention; and if you were cleaning up from basement flooding or dealing with standing water in your lawn or gardens, no doubt, it got your attention too!

What is causing some of these significant changes for the worse, in our watersheds? **“Think Spring '08- Rain Gardens and Watersheds”** will address this important topic, and give you some alternatives for your home and garden. Mark your calendar for this exciting March 8th seminar, held at Kingwood Center and registration is now open.

Richland County Master Gardeners hosts these educational seminars open to the public annually, and this year Richland Soil and Water Conservation District has offered to sponsor this event at Kingwood Center, in order to make this timely information affordable and available to people struggling with watershed issues.

Who hasn't had excess water during springtime downpours? Learn from experts about rain gardens, an exciting new concept used in the landscape, and plant selections that can help dissipate your water problems. Rain gardens slow down the rate at which water flows into the public drainage system by employing techniques such as increasing areas of planting, managing hard surface run-off, and redirecting water flow into control areas. Understand your watershed, and protect the health and quality of the water *downstream* as well.

At \$10.00, this extremely affordable program provides 3 knowledgeable speakers, a delicious box lunch of your choice, additional Kingwood garden or watershed tours, and a publication of useful rain garden information. To be held **March 8th, at 8:30 AM at Kingwood Center.**

For more information call Kingwood Center at 419-522-0211.

Name _____ Telephone _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

E-Mail _____

Box Lunch Preference:

Turkey Roast Beef Vegetarian

Tour preference:

Kingwood Gardens Kingwood Watershed

\$10.00 Fee Checks Payable to:

Kingwood Center

mail to:

900 Park Ave. West

Registration Deadline March 4th.

Mansfield, Ohio 44906