

REGISTRATION FORM
GS COURSE I - January 28-29, 2019
GS COURSE II - January 30-31, 2019
May take Course I and II separately

Course I Fee: \$65.00 _____
2 days (January 28 - 29, 2019) _____
Course I Exam Fee: \$8.00 _____
Refresher Fee: \$5.00 _____

Course II Fee: \$65.00 _____
2 days (January 30 - 31, 2019) _____
Course II Exam Fee: \$8.00 _____
Refresher Fee: \$5.00 _____

Course I and II: \$120.00 _____
Course I and II Exam: \$10.00 _____

Total Due: _____

Registration Deadline: **January 7, 2019**
No Refunds will be given after this date.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Email: _____

NGC Member Club: _____

District #: _____

____ Master Gardener
____ I am taking this course as a Refresher
(no exam required)
____ Need overnight accommodation?

Include check for the total amount payable to:
Lakewood Ranch Garden Club

Mail registration form and check to:

Phyllis Weber
6610 Meandering Way
Lakewood Ranch, FL 34202
(941) 758-5191

National Garden Clubs, Inc. provides education, resources, and national networking opportunities for its members to promote the love of gardening, floral design, and civic and environmental responsibility.

The NGC Gardening Courses are designed to provide educational information to those especially interested in gardening, horticulture and related subjects.

The school consists of a series of four courses, followed by a general examination. Courses cover all aspects of growing, from understanding soil structure to pruning techniques, plant identification, etc.

The courses are intended primarily for garden club members, but they are also open to the general public, requiring only the payment of a nominal fee.

Garden club members completing the series of four courses are awarded the designation of NGC Gardening Consultant. Attendees from the general public may attain Consultant status by joining a garden club during the school series or shortly after completion.

For more information on the Gardening School, see the National Garden Clubs, Inc. website:

<http://www.gardenclub.org/schools/gardening-study.aspx>



NATIONAL GARDEN CLUBS, INC.
PRESENTS:

Gardening School

Series 7
Course I and II

January 28 – 31, 2019

The River Club
6600 River Club Blvd,
Bradenton, FL 34202
8:00 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Sponsored by:
Lakewood Ranch Garden Club
Founded 2002



Chairperson:
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Course I - Highlights

BASIC BOTANY

- A. Plant anatomy (roots, stems, leaves, flowers)
- B. Plant requirements (light, temperature, water, humidity)
- C. Life cycle of plants (annuals, biennials, perennials)
- D. Reproduction (sexual, asexual - pollination and fertilization)
- E. Study of plant structure (specific plant group studied)



SOILS

- A. Characteristics and structure of soil
- B. Soil testing (Extension Service/state)
- C. Function of soil
- D. Importance of roots
- E. Maintenance
- F. Fertilization (compost, fertilizers)

TECHNIQUES FOR GROWING OUTDOOR FLOWERS

- A. Environmental factors and choice of plant material
- B. Organic gardening
- C. Crop rotation and landscape suitability
- D. Pruning and training of plants
- E. Problems and problem solving

PLANT PROPAGATION

- A. Seed selection lecture
- B. Vegetative propagation
- C. Propagation workshop (hands on project)

SUPPLEMENTAL SUBJECT

Organic Pesticide and Pesticides study and safety

Required Reading

"The National Gardener" magazine purchased from NGC Headquarters
<http://www.shopgardenclub.org/shop>

Suggested Reading

"Botany for Gardeners" by Brian Capon available at Walmart or Amazon.com

Course II - Highlights

PLANT DISEASES AND GARDEN PESTS

- A. Overview of good growing techniques (Controls - organic and inorganic)
- B. Regional insect and disease problems
- C. Beneficial insects - predators
- D. Problem solving/prevention
- E. Examples of plant problems - disease and insects

IRRIGATION AND WATER

- A. Planting efficiently
- B. Water use and water saving factors

LAWN ALTERNATIVES AND GROWING GRASS

- A. Site preparation and selection of grass/plants
- B. Maintenance of site
- C. Problem solving

GROWING FRUIT

- A. Choice of varieties
- B. When and how to plant
- C. Training and pruning
- D. Environmental factors
- E. Problem solving and solutions

GROWING VEGETABLES

- A. Choice of varieties (organic, non-GMO, non-organic)
- B. When and how to plant
- C. Crop rotation and inter-planting
- D. Pest control
- E. Problems and solutions

SUPPLEMENTAL SUBJECT

Regional Animal Pest: Birds, frogs, toads, lizards, possums, rabbit, skunk, snakes

Open to Everyone!

Gardening School courses are open to everyone, regardless of National Garden Club, Inc. membership. Each of the four courses has an optional exam. NGC members wishing to apply to be NGC Gardening Consultants must take all four courses and pass each exam.

Non-members fulfilling the above requirements may apply to be Consultants upon joining an NGC affiliated club within one calendar year of the completion date of the 4th course.

All students attending the course will receive a Certificate of Achievement.



To take advantage of this opportunity, fill out the registration form on the reverse side of the brochure and send it with your check to the Lakewood Ranch Garden Club.

**Please note we will have
Course III, April 1 and 2, 2019 and
Course IV, April 3 and 4, 2019**