The 3rd Annual Gathering of the Chicago Community Gardeners Association

March 7, 2015
9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Today's 3rd Annual Spring Gathering of the Chicago Community Gardeners Association will highlight the most powerful resource available to Chicago's gardeners: each other. There's lots of action to pack into today's gathering, all centered on sharing and eliciting creative approaches to common community gardening challenges and opportunities. We're continuing the tradition of holding an array of expert-facilitated workshops, as well as a garden gear giveaway, a tour of the CCGA website, free soil testing, and a light lunch. Welcome.

The Interim Steering Committee
Building Garden Structures

Great solution for the workshop and learn big while gardener size small.

Shovel dig in the dry clay can happen in plenty of ways; container gardening is a

Get Smart: Sign up for a Neighborhood Garden Network

These sessions will explore the benefits of growing food and garden community gardens. The sessions will also cover topics such as growing a healthy garden and creating a composting system.

Classroom 3 - 10:30 - 11:00 AM: Growing a Healthy Garden and Creating a Compost System

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Cluster your way to the warehouse for a complimentary coffee

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Michael Webb is a professional gardener with a primary focus on soil and organics and

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Upcoming Events

April 3 - Soil Test Drop-off Deadline (drop-off in green container at CCGT)

April 18 - Spring Membership Gathering - 9 am to noon
9-10: Membership meeting - help CCGA move its mission forward
10-11: Soil analysis presentation & planting workshop
11-12: Pansy Giveaway

May 16 - Veggie Seedling Sharing and Workshop
9-12: Come pick up seedlings and stay for a planting workshop.

Details and locations to come.

Check chicagocommunitygardens.org for more info!

Complimentary Soil Analysis from Bartlett Tree Experts

Soil health is key to garden health, and we’d like to give a big thanks to Bartlett Tree Experts (BTE) for offering free soil analysis to CCGA gardens. The suggested retail value of the analysis is $75, but we are offering it free of charge with a recommended $15 donation for the service. You can pick up a soil bag and sampling instructions at the BTE Booth or the Chicago Chapter Bionutrient Food Association Booth from noon to 1:30 pm in the lunchroom.

Thank You

Bartlett Tree Experts, Clif Bar and Company, Wannamaker Seeds, Lake Street Landscapes, West Town Academy, NeighborSpace, Midwest Pesticides Center, Garfield Park Conservatory Alliance, G.E.T. Gardening, Austin Green Team, OpenLands, Juliann Salinas, Angela Taylor, Nita Hailey, Julie Samuels, Ellen Newcomer, Patrick Porter, Bea Jasper, Robert Hart, Gina Jamison, JW Glass, Kirsten Akre, Kashanna Eiland, Kerry Hagy, Breanne Heath, Annamaria León, Cordia Pugh, Matthew Stephens, Jeanine Camille Toombs, Dr. Shemuel Israel, Pat Jackson, Kristin Bodiford, Amy Olson

Please remember to take a Gathering survey today in Rm 111 to receive a free succulent!