### **Schedule of Activities**

2024 Brown County Seed Library Launch Party Saturday, March 2, at Brown County Central Library



# All activities ongoing 12:00-3:00 pm, except the 30-minute Presentations

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

Brown County Seed Library opens at noon! Pick up free seeds from our 2024 Core Collection!

#### 1st Floor (Fiction Area)

Presented by New Leaf Foods, Inc.; Seymour Park Food Forest.

- Meet Mother Nature.
- Create seed art.
- Learn about Food Forests and the Bountiful Branches food-bearing perennials sale.
- View slideshow of local non-profits' gardenrelated programs and services.
- More!

#### 1st Floor (Media Area)

Presented by Northeast Wisconsin Master Gardeners Association; Wild Ones, Inc.; Brown County Community Gardens Program.

- Learn about germination test training and the local Seed Steward program.
- Make seed tape for easy seed spacing.
- Try your hand at seed harvesting.
- Get started with the 2024 One Seed One Community project.
- Get tips in seed starting and transplanting.
- Kids can pose at our "Future Seed Savers" photo station.
- More!

### 1st Floor (Youth Services Area):

Presented by Green Bay Botanical Garden; UW-Madison Extension Brown County; FoodWise; Brown County 4-H; City of Green Bay Conservation Corp; Brown County Library.

- Investigate with a microscope.
- Dress up in "plant parts."
- Enjoy stories and activities.
- Make a "seed bomb."
- Color activity sheets.
- More!

#### **Lower Level Foyer & Meeting Rooms**

Presented by Northeast Wisconsin Master Gardeners Association; UW-Green Bay.

- Q&A with Master Gardeners: Bring your questions!
- Bulk Seed Swap: Bring your extra seeds to share, along with their details, and/or pick up some different kinds.
- Adaptive Methods for Gardeners: Get tips and test out some devices for gardeners with physical limitations.

# Lower Level Auditorium 30-minute Presentations by Gardening Experts

- 12:15 pm: Container Gardening. You can use many kinds of containers for many kinds of plants! This overview includes choosing containers, selecting plants and caring for your living creation. Lynn Clark is a Master Gardener who presented the popular Seed Starting 101 presentation at last year's Seed Library Launch Party. She'll bring in some sample containers and potting mixtures to show.
- 1:00 pm: Jumping Worms and Other Invasive Garden Pests. Allen Pyle, Horticulture Outreach Specialist for UW-Madison Division of Extension, will present the basics about several different non-native invasive insects and invertebrates, the damage they cause, how to detect and identify them, and any tips to treat, manage and reduce their spread. Allen's areas of expertise include entomology, ornamental perennials, native plants, vegetables, and Integrated Pest Management (IPM).
- 1:45 pm: Pollinator-Friendly Native Wildflowers. Get tips on how to grow and care for native perennials that attract pollinators essential for growing vegetables and fruits. Allen Pyle (see above) will focus on plants featured in the 2024 Seed Library, such as little bluestem, Indiangrass, anise hyssop, smooth penstemon, lanceleaf coreopsis, common milkweed, black-eyed susan and more.
- 2:30 pm: Growing Tomatoes from Seed. Tomato varieties come in all shapes, sizes, colors and tastes. Learn how to successfully start tomatoes from seed and transplant and care for them from Jenny Blaser, who grows and sells more than 100 different varieties each year. Jenny, who is from Little Chute, features her work in her "Grown from Seed" Facebook page.