



THE LATEST FROM AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES RCE OF CAPE MAY COUNTY

November 1, 2024

RCE EVENTS

2024 Garden and Grow Series



Home Composting



Wednesday, November 13

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Rutgers Cooperative Extension

**355 Court House - South Dennis Road
Cape May Court House, NJ 08210**

**Presenter: Belinda Chester
Program Associate II, RCE Atlantic County**

Participants will learn:

- The science behind compost
- How to compost at home
- Why compost is good for your plants and the planet

Registration is required. Cost \$5.

Register at: <https://go.rutgers.edu/s02x017u>

Questions: Call 609-465-5115, ext. 3607 or Email

capemayag@njaes.rutgers.edu



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OTHER EVENTS

- 2-Nov [2024 Youth Hunter Take a Kid Pheasant Hunting Application](#)
- 6-Nov [Raising Your Prices Without Losing Customers-12:00pm-12:30pm- Free Virtual Live Webinar](#)
- 7-Nov [Winning Hearts and Wallets: Power of Outstanding Customer Service-12:00-12:30 PM- Free Webinar](#)
- 18-Nov [Birds Grow on Trees-9:00-10:00 am-Free Virtual Live Webinar](#)
- 4-Dec [4 Ways to Financially Prepare for 2025-12:00pm-12:30pm- Free Virtual Live Webinar- 12:00-12:30 PM-Free Webinar](#)
- 10-Jan [Can You Afford Employees at Your Farm Business?-12:00-12:30 PM-Free Webinar](#)
- 4-Feb [Food for Profit: Learn the Basics of Google Ads-12:00 -12:30 PM-Free Webinar](#)
- 19-Feb [Expanding Your Retail Farm Market-12:00-12:30 PM -Free Webinar](#)

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RUTGERS MASTER GARDENERS OF CAPE MAY COUNTY

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Cooperative Extension
New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station

MASTER GARDENER TRAINING PROGRAM

Online Orientations starting in October for Cape May County! We will provide you with all the information you need to decide if becoming a Rutgers Master Gardener is right for you. We will review the program's role, structure, training, and commitment.

Scan below to register. Multiple dates and times available.

For more information, contact Jen Sawyer Caraballo,
Cape May County Rutgers Master Gardener
Program Coordinator at: 609-465-5115 ext. 3615
sawyer@njaes.rutgers.edu

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To register for Orientation: <https://njaes.rutgers.edu/master-gardeners/>

RESOURCES

- [Beat the Heat: Companies for Farmers to Source Heat Stress Prevention Supplies](#)
- [Farmer Resource Guides](#)
- [National Farm Safety and Health Week](#)
- [Adding cover crops into integrated weed management programs](#)
- [USDA Launches Assistance Network to Support Financially Distressed Farmers and Ranchers](#)
- [Guidelines For Developing Pollinator-Friendly Utility-scale Solar Projects](#)
- [Mental Health Awareness & Suicide Prevention](#)
- [Update on Right to Repair](#)
- [Promoting small-scale maple syrup production on Facebook. A field experiment testing emphasis message frames](#)
- [Farm labor report: Labor challenges persist](#)
- [Creating an Inclusive Agritourism Experience](#)

NEWS

- [The Rutgers Agrivoltaics Program launches a new website](#)
- [Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program - September Coverage Deadline](#)
- [Untreated Seed Pilot Program \(USPP\) Fall 2024 – Fall 2025](#)
- [Farmer Guide to Fertilizing with Urine](#)
- [Resistance-breaking Tomato Spotted Wilt Virus present in tomato in New Jersey](#)

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

- [FSA Food Safety Certification for Specialty Crops](#)
- [HEFI- Healthy Food Financing Initiative- FARE FUND](#)
- [NJ Innovative Healthy Food Retail Initiative](#)
- [Farmer Grant Program-Due Nov 12](#)
- [Inflation Reduction Act Community Change Grants Program-Due Nov 21](#)

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GARDENING TIP

By Jennifer Sawyer Caraballo

Plant cool-season transplant vegetables for a winter crop. Be ready with some frost protection to protect them from cold temperatures.

Have you gotten those bulbs planted yet? You still have a bit a time to get that garlic in the ground.



Having trouble with your Garden?



Fall is a great time to get your soil tested! Soil testing can provide information about how to enhance the beauty and productivity of a lawn, landscape planting, or vegetable garden. Whether your goal is a plush, green lawn or a large harvest of vegetables, soil fertility testing is the place to start. Stop by our office to pick up your test!

[Soil Testing Laboratory \(Rutgers NJAES\)](#)

Check out this fact sheet! FS797:

[Soil Testing for Home Lawns and Gardens](#)

BOBWHITE QUAIL SERIES

*A WLFW webinar series
focused on Northern
Bobwhite biology,
management, and current
research.*

OCTOBER 10 | BOBWHITE HABITAT

NOVEMBER 14 | BOBWHITE IN AG SPACES

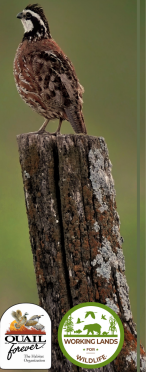
DECEMBER 12 | BOBWHITE IN PASTURE SYSTEMS

JANUARY 9 | BOBWHITE IN PINE FORESTED SYSTEMS

FEBRUARY 13 | BOBWHITE IN HARDWOOD FORESTED SYSTEMS

MARCH 13 | QUAIL MONITORING METHODS

APRIL 10 | BOBWHITE BREEDING SEASON ROOST SITE IN AN
AG LANDSCAPE



SCAN TO REGISTER!
Vince and Holly Crawford

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GOT GARDEN QUESTIONS?
**Call the Cape May County
Horticulture Helpline
(609) 465 5115 Ext. 3653**





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Classes
begin
January 21
2025!

MAKE A
DIFFERENCE
IN YOUR COMMUNITY

Become a
RUTGERS ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARD



A Rutgers Environmental Steward is a trained volunteer addressing local environmental issues.

Key program details include:

- Weekly classes with experts (Tuesdays, 5:30-8 PM; 11 online, 5 in-person)
- Field trips to significant environmental sites
- Topics: climate change, invasive species, recycling, soil health, renewable energy, water quality, habitat conservation, pollinator protection, food waste
- Requirement: Complete a 60-hour community project for certification
- Program fee: \$300 early bird (until Dec. 31), \$325 after.

Anyone can become an Environmental Steward!

No previous experience needed. You simply need a passion for the environment, a desire to learn, and a willingness to volunteer to create positive change in your community.



To register or learn more visit:
envirostewards.rutgers.edu



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FACTSHEETS

- [E259: Deer and Elk Farming](#)
- [FS1359: Soil Health: Purpose and Management](#)
- [FS1917: Llamas and Alpacas Westendorf, M. and Stahl, T.](#)
- [E296: Agricultural Management Practices for Commercial Equine Operations](#)
- [FS1081: To Blanket or Not to Blanket?](#)
- [FS1142: Winter Care for Horses](#)
- [FS1143: Winter Feeding for Horses](#)
- [FS886: Ostrich, Emu, and Rhea Production](#)

PLANT & PEST ADVISORY

- [Landscape, Ornamentals, Nursery, and Turf Pest Notes](#)
- [Vegetable Crop IPM update](#)
- [Tree Fruit IPM Report](#)