

Connecticut Community Gardening Association
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The Connecticut Community Gardening Association

In co-operation with:

- Naugatuck Valley Community College
- Garden Club of Waterbury
- Brass City Harvest
- City of New Haven Department of Parks, Recreation and Trees
- Compost
- Connecticut Master Gardener Association
- CT NOFA
- CT Coalition for Environmental Justice
- Knox Parks Foundation
- The New Haven Land Trust, Inc.
- Torrington Community Gardens
- UCONN College of Agriculture and Natural Resources
- UCONN Department of Cooperative Extension
- USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service
- US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- Urban Resources Initiative-New Haven

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*The Connecticut
Community Gardening
Association presents:*

Closing the Food Gap in Connecticut Communities

*7th Annual Community
Gardening Conference in the
Brass City*

April 12, 2008

**Naugatuck Valley Community
College**

750 Chase Parkway
Waterbury, CT 06708



www.ctcommunitygardening.org

Come join us at this annual sharing of garden ideas.

Schedule of Events



April 12, 2008
8:30am – 4:00pm

- 8:30 Registration/Networking/Exhibits/
Continental breakfast
- 9:00 Welcome to Waterbury and the CCGA
conference
- 9:30 Keynote Address: Closing the Food Gap
Mark Winne, author, "Closing the Food
Gap" and former director, Hartford Food
System
- 10:00 Move to workshops
- 10:15 First Break-Out Session
 - Getting the dead out: A primer in pruning
 - What to think about when you are
establishing your garden beds...
 - The sustainable garden – use less while
growing more
 - Planning is good: an introduction to
designing your home landscape
 - Vegetable gardening 101—new to gardening?
Start here...
 - Bugs in the vegetable garden: Choosing least
harmful methods of control

- 11:15 Move to workshops
- 11:30 Second Session
 - A blueberry grows in Waterbury:
Growing small fruits in community gardens
 - Summer tomatoes in January? Canning,
freezing, storing garden produce
 - Keep your garden growing: Community
garden program development and funding
 - No room? No problem. Bountiful gardens in
small spaces
 - Community Gardens: A Sustainable Solution
to Closing the Food Gap
 - **WALKING TOUR:** Join us on a NVCC
Arboretum Adventure...



12:30- 1:30 Lunch (Box lunch provided)

- **TOUR:** Grab your lunch to eat on the bus and join
us on a tour of Compsoil—Be sure to wear boots! If
it rains, a workshop will be held instead
- **SPECIAL SESSION:** Collaborative Problem Solving:
A discussion of environmental justice and activism
based on a case study of Spartanburg, SC where the
EPA (US Environmental Protection Agency) was
successful in getting the community at large
involved in the cleanup, renewal, and restoration of
the environment (green spaces, trails, gardens,
etc). Bring your box lunch and enjoy this *optional 2
hour session in lieu of an afternoon workshop.*

1:30 Move to workshops
1:45 Third Break-Out Session

- Invasive plants and native alternatives for
Connecticut landscapes
- Starting from scratch: Learn about seed starting in
the house, the garden or greenhouse
- Butterflies in your yard and garden
- Some Parsley for that potato? Growing herbs in the
community garden
- The Fair Haven CSM (Community Supported
Market): Adapting the CSA model to support a
farmers' market in a lower-income community

2:45 Adjourn



Directions/Parking

750 Chase Parkway, Waterbury (203) 575-8040

Route 8

Take the Danbury exit onto I-84, then first exit off I-84
(exit 18). Bear left at the fork and take a left at the
light. Go to third light for West Entrance.

Route 1-84 West

Take exit 18, bear left at the fork and take a left at the
light. Go to third light for West Entrance.

Route 1-84 East

Take exit 18. At light take a right and at next light take
a right. Go over bridge and at light take a left onto
Chase Parkway. Go to second light for West Entrance.

Follow signs to the parking garage under the center
buildings and take elevators in areas labeled "A". Follow
signs to the Leever Atrium.

A campus map may be found at:

<http://www.nvcc.commnet.edu/pdf/map2007.pdf>

Registration Form: ~~XXXXXX~~
(Registration includes lunch, continental breakfast, and all conference materials.)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Registration fee options:

CCGA Members - # _____ @ \$15.00
Non-members - # _____ @ \$20.00
CCGA membership dues - # _____ @ \$10.00
Students # _____ @ \$10.00

CCGA Supporter/Optional donation – (tax deductible)

Vendor Fee # _____ @ \$25.00

Total enclosed: \$ _____

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products for sale)

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