Extending the Growing Season
WORKSHOPS
a series with
Craig Schaaf

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Highly regarded agricultural specialist Craig Schaaf will lead a series of workshops during the first six months of 2011.

JANUARY 11 5:30-9 P.M.

Potluck – "Building a Living Soil"

There is no charge for the workshop which will focus on the necessity of building a living, mineralized soil. Techniques for making compost will be discussed as well as the benefits of adding various amendments to your soil to add a full spectrum of minerals to your produce. Craig will also explain the role of different living organisms and how they work symbiotically to benefit the plants in your garden. A brief introduction to future workshop concepts will also be given.

Feb. 15   Building Soil Blocks   6:30 – 9 p.m.

Mar. 19   Hoop House Mgt.   10 a.m. –3 p.m.
                   Co-sponsored with MLUI
Apr. 12   Transplanting Seeds   6:30-9 p.m.

May 10   Seed Saving   6:30-9 p.m.

June   Building a Hoop House   All Day- date and time to be determined

"I have been gardening nearly my whole life and after attending Craig's classes discovered I had no idea what I was doing. For years I planted things, threw on some fertilizer and hoped for the best and if something did not do well, well then, 'Oh, well.' I have not had the opportunity to explore and apply all that I learned from Craig's classes (yet), but everything that I did try produced results that were amazing. (and WITHOUT FERTILIZER!) For anyone who loves to garden Craig's classes will increase your knowledge about gardening and you will find you have made a sound investment in your business or hobby and for yourself."

Diana Moss
Altavista, Virginia
Former Benzie County Resident

This series is for beginning or experienced gardeners/farmers and anyone interested in creating a winter getaway to your own back yard.

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Please join us by bringing a dish to share on January 11, 5:30- 9:00 p.m.

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