#### Welcome Spring '16

March 12, 2016 8:30am-3:45pm Conference Location: Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) **Dining Facility/ Banquet Hall** 2500 North River Road Hooksett, New Hampshire (Registrants will received detailed directions one week prior to the conference)

## Agenda

Registration	8:30-9:30
Silent Auction	8:30-1:15
NHMGA UPDATE Judy Elliott	9:30-10:00
DO YOU WANT MORE TIME TO SMELL THE ROSES? Susan Kierstead	10:00-11:00
Vendors, Coffee	11:00-11:15
EAT YOUR VEGETABLES Laura Wolfer,	11:15-12:15
Lunch, Vendors	12:15-1:30
AMERICA'S ROMANCE WITH THE ENGLISH GARDEN Thomas Mickey	1:30-2:30
THE HOLISTIC ORCHARD Michael Phillips	2:45-3:45



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# **WELCOME** Spring

March 12, 2016 Southern NH University Manchester, NH



A Garden Symposium sponsored by the NHMGA For the Love of Gardening Open to both Master Gardeners and the public,

the daylong Welcome Spring Symposium offers topics for beginners and advanced gardeners.

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## **REGISTER HERE OR ONLINE**

#### **ONLINE PREFERRED**

Name:	
Email:	
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Vegetarian yes or

Registration Deadline: March 4, 2016 Registration is NON REFUNDABLE after March 4, 2016



**ABOUT US:** The New Hampshire Master Gardeners Association (NHMGA) volunteers work hard to improve the quality

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of life in New Hampshire communities. The NHMGA Special Projects Committee is pleased to announce its 10th year assisting Master Gardeners with funding their projects. Prior grant recipients have taken leadership roles within community gardens, school gardens and other not-for-profit organizations around the state who have benefi ed from the NHMGA's generosity and Master Gardener expertise. **Judy Elliott,** Master Gardener, project leader for the Sycamore Field Community Garden at NH Technical Institute in Concord serving refugees from Bhutan, Iraq, and Africa.

### Susan Kierstead Do You Want More time To Smell the Roses?

Susan Kierstead, an accomplished gardener, is one of the most unique gardening entrepreneurs in New Hampshire. Her extensive and beautiful meandering woodland and sunny display gardens contain over 2000 plant species. Much of her retail plant business consists of the time-tested plants being dug to order from her gardens and wrapped as you watch. Susan says, "Do you want more time to 'Smell the Roses?' Over the years I've discovered shortcuts to get the necessary work done so I can play.....'musical plants', or try 'daring combinations', or just plain enjoy the final results. Some techniques are obvious and others were experiments that became a way of life. If it didn't save me time, or improve my garden, I discarded it. So if you are tired of weeding and digging, maybe I can give you ideas so you too can have more time to enjoy your gardens.

#### Laura Wolfer and Daniela Connelly Eat your Vegetables, Eat your Microbes-

Microbial life in the soil and carbon exchange Laura Wolfer is a molecular biologist, archeologist and gardener. Daniela Connelly is a primary care and integrative physician and organic farmer. Together they will explore the astounding similarities and health implications of the soil and gut microbiome. They will explore disease resilience, carbon capture and why we should strive for microbial diversity in both settings.

# For the Love of Gardening

### **Thomas Mickey**

#### America's Romance with the English Garden

Thomas Mickey, a Master Gardener since 1998, has been gardening on his small property for almost 30 years. His interest in history as well as gardening led him to write **America's Romance with the English Garden**. This is the story of tastemakers and homemakers, of savvy businessmen and a growing American middle class eager to buy their products. It's a story of the beginnings of the modern garden industry, which seduced the masses with its images and fixed the English garden in the mind of the American consumer. Seed and nursery catalogs delivered colorful images to front doorsteps and the English garden became the look of America.

#### MIchael Phillips The Holistic Orchard

Every farm and homestead can enjoy the timeless pleasure of an apple orchard. Holistic orcharding involves a wide breadth of knowledge and timeliness, yet one fact stands clear—we can have beautiful fruit grown without chemical intervention. Sustainable agriculture will work only when we have fun and get people involved with our farms. Michael will point the way for organic fruit growers to meet unique site challenges by first emphasizing orchard health.

Lost Nation Orchard is part of a diversified mountain farm in northern New Hampshire. Three acres of young trees supplies a community of shareholders with both dessert and juice fruit. The Phillips family also grows medicinal herbs and makes herbal preparations for a New England-wide market.

To pay for your membership or confirm your STATUS, contact Tina LaRochelle. Email her at nhwildflower@gmail.com. Make checks payable to UNHCE
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*NHMGA Member	\$45	
**NHMGA Member Code		
Non-Member	\$55	
After March 4, 2016 and walk-ins	\$60	if space is available
Total Due		\$

\*\* Member code will be emailed to you

\* Dues must be paid through 2016

**Mail Registration** 

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Certificates of Attendance Available upon Request

Enjoy!

#### Get ready to Bid on items on our now FAMOUS SILENT AUCTION! Cash and Personal Checks accepted for silent auction, NHMGA Merchandise and vendors.