

MIDDLESEX CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Spring 2004 Tree Brochure

The Middlesex Conservation District helps landowners and municipalities identify natural resource concerns and plan solutions. We were founded in 1947 as a not-for-profit division of state government dedicated to the conservation of soil and water in Middlesex County. We are guided by an elected volunteer Board of Supervisors and work in partnership with federal, state and local agencies and organizations.

Our spring and fall plant sales supply the funding to provide conservation technical assistance and offer environmental education programs. Many of the plants this season are attractive native and wetland species well adapted to the climate of this region. This means they are easier to grow and hardier than some specialty hybrids.

A big part of our sale is the volunteers who help us pack and pass out our orders. Join us for a day of plant discussions, camaraderie and volunteerism. You can pick up your order early and get some great deals on the overstock. Please indicate on your order form if you can help on packing or pickup days.

Our web site has general information about the District as well as more detailed information on the plants. Pictures of most items may help you choose which plants to add to your garden. Please share our site with a gardening friend!

We will once again hold our "Cash Sale" of excess, first quality stock during the pickup days. Annuals, extra herbs, and some perennials over wintered from last fall's sale will be available.

Light Requirements: ○ = Full Sun ◐ = Part Sun ● = Shade N = Native Plants W = Wetland Plants

Evergreens

All evergreens are sold **Bareroot at 5 for \$10**

American Arborvitae *Thuja occidentalis* 40-60'
Pyramidal habit, easily shaped, good windbreak, durable in any type soil. Excellent dark green color. Good for windbreaks or hedges. N ○ ◐ **2 yr seedling 6-12"**

Canadian Hemlock *Tsuga canadensis* 35' x 70'
Excellent landscape specimen that can easily be pruned for hedges or privacy screen. Graceful pyramidal shape with short green needles, tolerates shade. Prefers moist, well drained soils, will not do well in dry areas. N ○ ◐ **3 year seedling 7-14"**

Colorado Blue Spruce *Picea glauca* 100' Striking! Color ranges from blue-green to silver-blue. Stiff silvery-blue needles with densely set horizontal branches. Colorful screen/windbreak. Tolerant of just about any location. ○ ◐ **4 year seedling 8-18"**

Concolor Fir *Abies concolor* 120' One of the most beautiful and easiest evergreens to grow. Soft, silver-blue foliage makes a great Christmas tree, holds needles well. Best color in full sun. Blue color is nice change in typical green borders. ○ ◐ **3 year seedling 6-12"**

Balsam Fir *Abies balsamea* 75' Soft, bright green 1" needles, excellent fragrance and needle retention as a cut tree, sturdy branches, symmetrical shape. Best in moist well-drained soils. ○ ◐ **4 year seedling 9-15"**

Trees and Shrubs

Alnus rugosa Speckled Alder 18' Multi-stemmed fast growing small tree, tolerates poor soils. Beautiful in March when yellowish brown catkins are waving in early spring breezes. Cone shaped fruit persist through winter months. N W ○ ◐ **2 year seedling 3-4' Bareroot \$5**

Amelanchier canadensis Shadblow Serviceberry 15' Hardy, spring flowering clump tree. White flowers followed by red-purple juicy sweet edible fruit. Grayish-green foliage turns yellow-orange to red in fall. Useful in beds and borders with evergreen backgrounds or at edges of woodlands. N W ○ ◐ **Bareroot 12/18" \$11**

Bayberry *Myrica pensylvanica* 6-10' Lustrous, deep green foliage is semi-evergreen. Very aromatic when crushed. Noted for it's waxy-gray berries from which candles are made. Grows in poor sandy soil. N
O 4 year seedling 1-2'
Bareroot \$5

Bradford Pear *Pyrus calleryana* 'Autumn Blaze' 35' Distinct form of ornamental pear with beautiful white flowers in May then glossy green foliage. Outstanding crimson red fall color. Pyramidal shape broadens with time. Fruit small brown pomes, ornamental.
O 3-4' Bareroot whip
\$30

Butterfly Bush *Buddleia d. 'Black Knight'* 5-9' Large fragrant deep purple flowers in 6-8" panicles on silvery foliage, multi-stemmed bush. Removing faded flowers keeps plants blooming all summer. O 12" Bareroot \$10

Clethra alnifolia Summersweet 10' Medium shrub adapts to many locations. Plump spikes of very fragrant, white flower blossoms top shiny green foliage in midsummer. Excellent for butterflies. N W 5" deep plug \$6

Cornus sericea Red Twigged Dogwood 8' Colorful all year, foliage is nice dark green in summer, reddish purple in fall then red branches are beautiful when framed by snow. Grows rapidly to multi-stemmed shrub, extremely adaptable to wide range of soils and growing conditions. Prune 1/3 branches each year for best color. Cut for winter decorating. N W O 2 year bareroot seedling 18" \$5

Cranberrybush Viburnum *Viburnum trilobum* 10'x10' White flowers in clusters in May followed by bright red berries early Sept. thru fall, good food for birds. Red fall foliage. As screen or background plant, place 4' apart. N W O 2 year bareroot seedling 1-2' \$6

Forsythia 'Lynwood Gold' 7'x5' Fast growing screen that withstands poor growing conditions and still performs well. Deep gold blooms in early April. Easy to force branches inside for winter flowers. Prune after flowering. O Bareroot 8-18" 5/\$15

Kousa Dogwood *Cornus kousa* 2002 Cary Award 20' White flowers in June after foliage, then raspberry-like fruit for wildlife into fall on vase shaped small tree. Exfoliating bark with age. Resistant to anthracnose that infects other dogwoods. Fabulous year-round! O 3 year seedling 18-30" \$5

Lilac Dwarf Korean *Syringa meyeri 'Paliban'* 5' June blooming shrub form, uniform habit, entire plant covered in light purple intensely fragrant flowers. Excellent for informal hedges. Flowers at 1' high, one of the easiest lilacs to grow. O 2 year bareroot seedling 18" \$12

Lilac *Syringa vulgaris* 10' Masses of fragrant light lavender flowers in May, this is an old fashioned very fragrant variety. Space 6' apart as screen. Prune after blooming. O 2 year bareroot seedlings 10-18" 5/\$10

Maple - Red *Acer rubrum* 50' Highly prized for it's bright red flowers in early spring. Medium to dark green leaves turn yellow to brilliant red in fall. Can tolerate wet swampy soil conditions. N W O 2 year seedlings 12-18" 5/\$15

Paper Birch *Betula papyrifera* 40' Ornamental birch with chalk white bark that peels in papery layers. Large lustrous dark green leaves provide beautiful golden fall color. Fast growing, especially when young. Effective in small groups. N O Bareroot 18" 5/\$13

Potentilla 'Abbotswood' 3'x3' Profuse, large white flowers from early spring to late fall, truly outstanding in flower. Dark, bluish-green foliage on compact plants. Use for shrub border, low hedge, massing to cover areas, or foundation plant. O Bareroot 9-12" \$9

Pussywillow *Salix melanostachys* Black Pussywillow 8' Rich purple catkins appear in March before foliage, purplish-black stems provide winter interest. N W O Bareroot 12-18" \$9

Rhododendron catawbiense boursault Orchid Rhododendron 8'x8' Beautiful orchid flowers on dark green foliage. O Small root ball 6-12" \$6

Rhododendron maximum Rosebay Rhododendron 15-20' Robust, fast growing, best rhody for shade, large pink flowers in late June on dark green leaves. N O Small root ball 6-12" \$6

Rhododendron roseum elegans Pink Rhododendron 8'x8' Hardy evergreen with dark lustrous green leaves. Rosy lilac flowers fade to pink. Remove flower heads and prune just after flowering O Small root ball 6-12" \$6

River Birch *Betula nigra* 40-70' Medium height specimen tree for moist soils, young trees and branches have red-brown exfoliating bark. Resistant to leaf borer. Dark green in summer then gold-yellow fall color. Dark cinnamon to light creamy brown bark peels in shaggy chunks excellent heat and cold tolerance N W O 2 year seedlings bareroot 18" 5/\$11

Rose of Sharon *Hibiscus anemonaeflorus* Blue Marlin 8' Flowers true blue with red eye. Selected for vigorous growth habit and outstanding color. Drought resistant upright shrub which blooms through the summer. Can be used for screening and hedges. **O** **Bareroot 18-24" \$12**

Rose Europeana 3' Dark red-double rosette shape, slightly fragrant and dark crimson flower. Large heavy cluster. Bronze green foliage. Very free bloom on shrub shape.
O **2 gallon pot \$18**

Rose Seafoam 6' Spreading climber and trailer with free recurrent bloom. Double, slightly fragrant white to cream flowers in clusters. Combine with perennials.
O **2 gallon pot \$18**

Rose The Fairy 3' Excellent plant for mass plantings, as a specimen, or in containers. Small, double light pink flowers cover plants from June through hard frost with little care. Disliked by Japanese beetles, this is one of the easiest roses.
O **2 gallon pot \$18**

Sassafras albidum 15' Small tree with variable shaped leaves, some entire, some with lobes, some can be mitten shaped. Spectacular yellow fall color. In natural areas roots sucker to form informal thickets. N
O **5" deep plug \$6**

Spicebush *Lindera benzoin* 15' Large broadleaf shrub. In early spring, has clusters of yellowish flowers. Yellow fall foliage and bright red berries are ornamental. N W
O **5" deep plug \$6**

Winterberry *Ilex verticillata* 9' One of the best deciduous plants for fall and winter. Intense red, very persistent berries last well into winter adding to landscape value, especially when framed by snow. New growth reddish, maturing to green. Use for mass effect, as screen or background. Plant at least 5 for pollination. N W
O **2 years seedling 1-2' 5/\$12**

FRUITS

This season we have chosen to feature Apple and Pear trees for an excellent price. Plant at least two varieties to insure cross-pollination and best fruiting. All are semi-dwarf trees which mature to 12-15' so you can squeeze them into your landscape, or plant an orchard!

Bareroot 5' \$18 each

Braeburn Apple Medium to large firm fruit, orange red blush over yellow green, tangy crisp, very juicy, sweet flavor. Excellent fresh eating/cooking. Good keeper. Ripens October.

Empire Apple Cross between McIntosh and Delicious for better color and flavor. Excellent fresh, cooked or for cider. Round medium sized fruit with dark red color. Crisp and juicy white flesh. Vigorous, early bearing tree with heavy annual crops ripening in mid-September. Partially self-fruitful.

Honeygold Apple Superior variety resulting from cross of Golden Delicious for color and flavor and Haralson for hardiness (Hardy to zone 3). Medium sized golden yellow fruit with red blush. Good keeper, ripens in October.

McIntosh Apple The favorite traditional apple. Bright to dark red skin over sweet, crisp, white flesh. Tart spicy flavor, cooks soft and smooth. Ripens in September.

Bartlett Pear Everyone's favorite for its sweet aromatic flavor. Excellent for canning or fresh eating. Specially suited to cooler northern climate. Ripens early to mid September.

Clapp's Favorite Pear August ripening, yellow skin with red blush, high quality, juicy white flesh. Pick green and ripen off tree. Ripen from inside out so eat when green or light yellow. Perfect for those who like crunchy pears.

The following small fruits all can be added to a garden in small groups or planted in a sunny corner for delicious home-grown treats.

Asparagus 'Jersey King' High yields and excellent flavor make this the best variety for home gardeners. Excellent spear size on all male plants gives best productivity and flavor. **O**
Bareroot 25/\$10

Blueberries 'Jersey' and 'Northland' Both very hardy with large dark blue berries. Fruit when young, 20-30 pounds per season on mature 5' plants. Foliage provides excellent fall color. **O**
Bareroot 1 each for pollination 2/\$19

Raspberries 'Polana' New ever-bearing variety (2-3 months of fruiting). Fruits up to 3 weeks earlier than other varieties! Large, glossy berries with good flavor. Shorter canes fill in quickly. **O**
Bareroot 10/\$17

Strawberries 'Seascape' New variety for fruit summer and fall! Medium to large firm flavorful fruit. Heavy midseason crop in spring then good fruiting until frost. Add some to a perennial bed! **O**
Bareroot 25/\$10

GROUNDCOVERS

Use groundcovers to decrease lawn areas for less mowing or to underplant so you need less mulch each season.

Ajuga r. Burgundy Glow 6" Variegated foliage of burgundy, creamy white and green which gives a vivid tricolor effect. Topped by blue flowers on upright spikes over foliage in spring. Works where lawn is difficult under trees. ○▶●
2.5" pots 3/\$8

Bearberry *Arctostaphylos uva ursi* 6" native with glossy green foliage and scarlet berries. Best in poor soils or sand in sunny locations. Salt tolerant so use near roadsides. Pruning not necessary, fertilize rarely. N ○▶ **3" pot \$4**

Blue Rug Juniper 5" Beautiful blue creeping plant will grow to a spread of 6-8'. Rapid grower with intense silvery blue foliage that tinges purple in winter. ○▶ **3" pots \$3**

Carpet Cypress *Microbiota decussata* 12"x3-4' Fast growing, very low groundcover with soft flat, cedar-like needles that is hardy in sun or shade. ○▶ **3" pot \$4**

Myrtle *Vinca minor* 6" Small shiny evergreen foliage with violet blue flowers in spring for sun or shade. Fast spreading. ▶ **Bareroot clumps of 10-20 plants 3/\$4**

Phlox stolonifera 'Sherwood Purple' Woodland Phlox 8" Plants form low mats of evergreen foliage with showy flower clusters that bloom in spring on upright sturdy stems. Tolerates heavy shade ▶● **3" plugs 3/\$8**

HERBS

Fresh herbs can't be beat for adding flavor to all kinds of dishes. Any sunny spot can support a few plants, in a garden or container. All of these are perennial herbs if grown in containers and brought inside for the winter. Chives and spearmint are hardy outside in our zone.

Basil, Sweet	○	4" pot
\$4		
Chives	○	4" pot
\$4		
Oregano, Greek	○	
4" pot \$4		
Parsley, Italian	○	
4" pot \$4		
Rosemary, upright	○	4" pot
\$4		
Spearmint	○	4" pot
\$4		

PERENNIALS

Achillea millifolium 'Terra Cotta' 24" Flowers start a bright peach and mature to terra cotta color for a multicolored effect. Strong silvery foliage that matures to copper bronze. Combines well with Daylilies. Drought tolerant, great for cuts and drieds. ○ **Quart \$4**

Artemesia 'Silver Mound' 10" A compact mounded plant of fern like silver-gray foliage. Excellent border plant or rock garden filler. Shear for fullness. Not bothered by deer or rabbits. ○▶ **3" plugs 3/\$8**

Astilbe japonica 'Deutschland' 24" Glossy deep green foliage topped by pure white open lacy panicles. Not bothered by deer or rabbits. Attracts bees and butterflies, use for cut or dried flowers. ○▶ **Bareroot 3/\$8**

Chelone obliqua Turtlehead 24-36" Uniquely shaped pink flowers are fascinating to children. Show stopper in fall garden. Best in moist soil. N ○▶ **Bareroot 3/\$7**

Chrysanthemum r. Cambodian Queen 24" Very hardy old fashioned mum that blooms in very late fall and lasts for many weeks. Excellent for beds and borders. Blooms are a single salmon-pink daisy with yellow center. One of the showiest perennial mums available. ○ **Quart \$4**

Clematis Henryi 12' Very large 7-8" pure white flowers with brown anthers. Exotic looking, blooms June and September. ○▶ **2.5"pot, staked plant \$9**

Clematis Niobe 10' Velvety dark ruby-red pointed petals with gold anthers. A true red that holds its color well! Blooms June, August and September. ○▶ **2.5"pot, staked plant \$9**

Clematis Will Goodwin 10' A true blue with 6-8" flowers with overlapping petals and gold anthers. June through September blooming - a real Winner! ○▶ **2.5"pot, staked plant \$9**

Delphinium 'Blue Mirror' 16" Spurless flowers in dark navy blue on compact tidy plants. Attracts butterflies and hummingbirds, great cut flowers. ○ **Quart \$4**

Dicentra eximia Bleeding Heart 12" Heart shaped pink flowers dangle over attractive fringed foliage. Flowers through the season in part sun, good in containers, deer resistant. ○▶ **Bareroot 3/\$8**

Eupatorium rugosum 'Chocolate' White Snakeroot 4-5' Terrific background plant for summer blooming perennials. Numerous puffy clouds of creamy white flowers over mounds of dark maroon to bronze foliage and deep purple stems. Blooms in September. Deer resistant Use for cut flowers or foliage. N O D ● **3.5" plug \$4**

Fern - Dryopteris australis Dixie Wood Fern 4' Large beautiful semi-evergreen fern for the woodland border. Dramatic upright growth habit would look great in a container too. Tolerant of dry soils, does spectacularly in moist soils. O D ● **5 pint pot \$7**

Fern - Ostrich Matteuccia struthiopteris 2' Hardy and quick to establish in moist location. Spreads quickly once established, deciduous, dark brown fruiting fronds persist for winter interest, spreads underground on rhizomes N W D ● **5 pint pot \$7**

Gentiana 'Blauer Herold' 16" Large blue flowers August to October. Excellent foliage. Prefers moist locations. D ● **5 pint pot \$7**

Gypsophila repens white Creeping Baby's Breath 4" Low growing white flowered variety for edging and borders in rock gardens or any well-drained soil. Blooms May/June and again later if flowers are removed. O ● **Quart \$4**

Helianthus decapetalus 'Lodden Gold' Sunflower 3-5' Summer bloom for back of border or naturalizing. Double golden yellow flowers on nice erect foliage. Great cut flower, attracts butterflies. O ● **3.5" plug \$4**

Hemerocallis 'Eenie Fanfare' Daylily 12" Wonderful ground cover or front of border perennial. 2" red blooms with fine white edges, pale ribs and a green throat continue all season. Foliage similar to Stella D'oro. O D ● **Bareroot \$4**

Hemerocallis 'Happy Returns' 16" Daylily Canary yellow blossoms with excellent growth habit. Consistently blooms from May to frost, proving excellent in the landscape. Very heat tolerant, fragrant flowers stay open for 24 hours. O D ● **Bareroot \$4**

Hemerocallis 'Purple Water' 36" Daylily Vigorous grower with 5" dark purple red blooms with yellow throat. Blooms from July sporadically through frost. Makes a nice clump in one season. O D ● **Bareroot \$4**

Hosta 'Wide Brim' 20" Rapid grower whose leaves have very wide irregular creamy white margin, very attractive buds, lots of foliage, dense lavender blooms, excellent cut flower. D ● ● **Bareroot \$4**

Hosta tardiana 'Halycon' 14" A nice blue Hosta with thick heavily ribbed leaves. Violet flowers, good slug resistance. Excellent for edging or a shaded border but can tolerate some sun. D ● ● **Bareroot \$4**

Hosta undulata Undulata 16" Waxy leaves with white variegation in center, one of the most popular Hostas, excellent in dark areas, lavender flowers D ● ● **Bareroot \$4**

Lavendula angustifolia 'Hidcote' 12" Lavender Evergreen, aromatic, compact, gray foliage with scented deep purple flower spikes. Highly valued in potpourri and sachets. Good border or specimen plant, best color of all Lavenders. O ● **3" plugs 3/\$8**

Lobelia g. 'Vedraniensis' Hybrid Purple Cardinal Flower 3' Green foliage has red tinge and dark purple flowers on spikes above foliage in late summer. Hummingbird magnet. Strong stems seldom need staking. Prefers moist locations D ● **Quart \$4**

Miscanthus 'Adagio' 3' Graceful arching stalks, feathery in fall. Dwarf variety for smaller gardens or containers with silver green leaves that turn red in fall. Prolific production of blooms appearing by August. O D ● **Bareroot clump \$6**

Miscanthus sinensis 'Huron Sunrise' 5-6' Foliage is medium width with silver midrib line. Clump forming, outstanding full burgundy flowers make an early show in mid-August. Fine winter interest. O D ● **Bareroot clump \$6**

Nepeta f. 'Walker's Low' Catmint 10" Grey-green foliage gives way to soft lavender-blue flowers. Lovely with yellow or gold daylilies. Summer bloom, useful in containers, aromatic foliage attractive all season. Attracts hummingbirds, deer and rabbit resistant. O D ● ● **Quart \$4**

Papaver orientale 'Doubloons' Oriental Poppy 26" Colorful flamboyant fiery orange flowers with black stamens. This is the first poppy to bloom, full double flowers. Hairy basal leaves. O ● **Bareroot \$4**

Peony Dancing Butterflies 24-28" mid-spring Bright fuchsia single flowers, large yellow stamens dance in the wind, vigorous grower, high bud count, very floriferous Peonies are deer resistant. O ● **Bareroot 3-5 eye \$8**

Peony 'Shirley Temple' 30" Double white that tinges pink as flowers fade, early bloomer with sweet fragrance. Peonies must be planted shallow, not more than 1-2" below soil line. Peonies are deer resistant. O ● **Bareroot 3-5 eye \$8**

Peony Mons Jules Elie 30" Fragrant, one of the best double rosy-pink peonies, large flowers, early, blooms before other peonies - great to add to a garden to extend bloom! Wonderful fragrance, excellent cut flower. Peonies are deer resistant. ○

Bareroot 3-5 eye \$8

Physostegia v. 'Vivid' Obedient Plant 24" Graceful spikes of tubular lilac pink flowers that resemble snapdragons. Blooms August through September. Excellent for cutting, attracts hummingbirds and butterflies, deer resistant.

○▶ **Quart \$4**

Rudbeckia f. 'Goldsturm' Black-eyed Susan 24" Vigorous and compact variety with exceptionally bright golden flowers July into fall, excellent cut flower. Reseeds. Spectacular in mass plantings, along fences, driveways, in borders. Black-coned seed heads attract birds, especially goldfinches and wild turkeys. ○

3" pots 3/\$8

Salvia nemorosa 'May Night' Meadow Sage 18" Outstanding cultivar with splendid deep indigo flowers. Very floriferous with bloom throughout the summer. 1997 Perennial Plant of the year. Not bothered by deer or rabbits ○▶●

Bareroot 3/\$8

Scabiosa columbaria 'Butterfly Blue' Pincushion Flower 15" Delightful plant for the border that attracts butterflies. This award winning variety produces a profusion of lavender-blue flowers for bloom from summer until frost. 2000 Perennial Plant of the year ○ **3" plugs 3/\$8**

Sempervivum Hens and Chicks 2-4" Used in borders, miniature gardens, porch boxes, garden vases, edging and as rockery or rock wall plants. They grow well in a wide variety of soils, even sand, but need good drainage. Not bothered by deer or rabbits. ○▶● **2.5" pots 3/\$8**

Veronica x 'Goodness Grows' Speedwell 10" Easy to grow. Terminal spike-like clusters of blue flowers almost all season. Deer resistant. Nice cut flower, attracts butterflies. Great for front of the

border, mixed gardens, containers, or as a mass planting for solid color. ○ **Quart \$4**

HARDGOODS

Black Gold Improve your soil and fertilize your plants with Great Brook Farm's composted cow manure. Composted for over a year, this "black gold" is ready to use now. Bags of approx 40 lb. are sold by volume not by weight. Assistants will help load bags into your vehicle.

1 bag for

\$4

Compost Bins Made in MA from recycled soda bottles. Bins are sturdy, lightweight and assemble without tools, 24cuft capacity. A cone shaped aerator top and bottom speed up the composting and keep out animals. **\$30**

DriWater One quart biodegradable container waters a plant for up to 3 months. DriWater releases slowly when in contact with soil. Use with new or established plants to decrease hand watering and increase success. **\$5**

Red Worms Reputed to be the best earth worms for composting, the red worm will eat and expel it's own weight every day to produce rich odorless compost that will enhance all your gardens year after year.

1000 for \$27

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- Partner with other agencies and organizations to solve natural resource concerns
- Co-sponsor and help organize the Massachusetts Envirothon, an environmental competition challenging high school students with real-life natural resource problem-solving situations
- Offer erosion and sediment control review for municipalities
- Sponsor workshops
- Offer soil maps of Middlesex County cities and towns
- Assist residents with natural resource questions.

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Soil Testing?

Do you know what your soil pH is? How much organic matter is in your soil? Does it need additional nutrients? What types of nutrients are needed?

The University of Massachusetts Extension Soil Lab offers several types of soil tests to help you with these questions. The answers can save you time and money by identifying exactly what your soil needs for optimum growth for your new and established plants. The test can also help protect the environment from contamination by runoff and leaching of excess fertilizers.

public and all are welcome. For more information about our sale or the District, please contact us.

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If not, please return your mailing label or e-mail us at MiddlesexCD@juno.com indicating that you would like to be removed from our mailing list.

Call the Soil Lab at 413-545-2311 or visit their website at <http://www.umass.edu/plsoils/soiltest>. They will provide you with an order form, sampling instructions and information about costs and where to send samples. An early spring soil test will really improve your gardens next season!

Hydric Soil Workshop

May 21, 2004 and June 4, 2004

We are offering a two-day workshop of classroom and field exercises on identifying hydric soils, including challenging sites. Some previous

Pick-up times:

Friday, April 23, 2004 from 3 to 6 p.m. and Saturday, April 24, 2004 from 8a.m. to 12p.m. at the 4-H Fairgrounds, South Chelmsford Rd., in Westford, MA. Pick-up postcards will be sent out in early April with your order number and a map to the 4-H Fairgrounds. Please bring the postcard with you.

You are responsible for picking up your order. Unclaimed orders will be donated to towns and conservation groups immediately after pick-up ends. Your purchase price will not be refunded. The District cannot knowledge recommended. Please call our office at 978-692-9395 for more information.

guarantee survival of plants, as we have no control of the stock after it is picked up or planted.

Order deadline is March 19, 2004.

Directions for pickup at the Fairgrounds: From Route 495 take exit #32. Go south ¼ mile to lights. Go left at lights (Route 110). Go ½ mile. Turn right onto South Chelmsford Road. Go 1.0 mile to 4-H County Fairgrounds. Order pickup and cash sales are in the large green building across the field.

ORDER FORM

To order from our 2004 Spring Tree and Shrub sale, mail or fax the order with your payment of check or credit card by **March 19th** to: **Middlesex Conservation District**
319 Littleton Road, Suite 205 Westford, MA 01886

Fax number: 978-392-1305

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Phone #Home _____ Business: _____

email: _____

Mastercard/Visa Number: _____ Exp.

Date: _____

Signature: _____

[] Please check here if name or address is different from the mailing label.

[] Please check here if you are interested in volunteering on 4/22, 4/23, or 4/24

Variety		Quantity	amt due
Amer. Arborvitae	\$10	x	=
Canadian Hemlock	\$10	x	=
Col. Blue Spruce	\$10	x	=
Concolor Fir	\$10	x	=
Balsam Fir	\$10	x	=
Alnus rugosa	\$5	x	=
Amalanchier canad.	\$11	x	=
Bayberry	\$5	x	=
Bradford Pear	\$30	x	=
Butterfly Bush	\$10	x	=
Clethra alnifolia	\$6	x	=
Cornus sericea	\$5	x	=
Cranberrybush Vib.	\$6	x	=
Forsythia	\$15	x	=
Kousa Dogwood	\$5	x	=
Lilac Dwf Korean	\$12	x	=
Lilac lavender	\$10	x	=
Maple - Red	\$15	x	=
Paper Birch	\$13	x	=
Potentilla	\$9	x	=
Pussywillow	\$9	x	=
Rhod. Cat. bours	\$6	x	=
Rhod maximum	\$6	x	=
Rhod roseum eleg	\$6	x	=
River Birch	\$11	x	=
Rose of Sharon	\$12	x	=
Rose Europeana	\$18	x	=
Rose Seafoam	\$18	x	=
Rose The Fairy	\$18	x	=
Sassafras albidum	\$6	x	=
Spicebush	\$6	x	=
Winterberry	\$12	x	=
Braeburn Apple	\$18	x	=
Empire Apple	\$18	x	=
Honeygold Apple	\$18	x	=
McIntosh Apple	\$18	x	=
Bartlett Pear	\$18	x	=
Clapp's Fav. Pear	\$18	x	=
Asparagus	\$10	x	=
Blueberries	\$19	x	=
Raspberries	\$17	x	=
Strawberries	\$10	x	=
Ajuga	\$8	x	=
Bearberry	\$4	x	=
Blue Rug Juniper	\$3	x	=
Carpet Cypress	\$4	x	=
Myrtle	\$4	x	=
Phlox stolonifera	\$8	x	=

Variety		Quantity	amt due
Basil	\$4	x	=
Chives	\$4	x	=
Oregano	\$4	x	=
Parsley	\$4	x	=
Rosemary	\$4	x	=
Spearmint	\$4	x	=
Achillea TerraCot	\$4	x	=
Artemesia Silver	\$8	x	=
Astilbe Deutsch	\$8	x	=
Chelone obliqua	\$7	x	=
Chrysan. C. Queen	\$4	x	=
Clematis Henryi	\$9	x	=
Clematis Niobe	\$9	x	=
Clematis W.Gdwin	\$9	x	=
Delphinium Blue	\$4	x	=
Dicentra eximia	\$8	x	=
Eupatorium Choc.	\$4	x	=
Fern Dryopteris	\$7	x	=
Fern Ostrich	\$7	x	=
Gentiana	\$7	x	=
Gypsophila	\$4	x	=
Helianthus	\$4	x	=
Hem. Eenie Fanfare	\$4	x	=
Hem. Happy Rets	\$4	x	=
Hem. Purple Water	\$4	x	=
Hosta Wide Brim	\$4	x	=
Hosta Halycon	\$4	x	=
Hosta undulata	\$4	x	=
Lavender Hidcote	\$8	x	=
Lobelia vendran.	\$4	x	=
Miscanthus Adagio	\$6	x	=
Misc. Huron Sunr.	\$6	x	=
Nepeta Walker's	\$4	x	=
Papaver Doubloon	\$4	x	=
Peony Danc Buttr.	\$8	x	=
Peony Shir Temp	\$8	x	=
Peony Mons Elie	\$8	x	=
Physostegia	\$4	x	=
Rudbeckia	\$8	x	=
Salvia May Night	\$8	x	=
Scabiosa	\$8	x	=
Sempervivum	\$8	x	=
Veronica	\$4	x	=
Black Gold	\$4	x	=
Compost Bins	\$30	x	=
Driewater	\$5	x	=
Red Worms	\$27	x	=

Donation: _____

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