



# Organic & Alternative Vegetable Farming and Gardening Workshop

Northwest Michigan Horticultural Research Station  
April 18, 2008

*The cost to attend is \$25 per person, which includes lunch and materials. For more information or to RSVP call 231-256-9888.*

**Age**

8:30 am	<b>Registration &amp; Introductions</b> Dr. Rob Serrine, MSUE Leelanau County				Dr. Matt Grieshop, Assistant Professor, Entomology Department, M.S.U.
8:45 am	<b>Soil Management for Organic Production</b> Dr. Sieg Snapp, Associate Professor, Crop and Soil Sciences, M.S.U.	1:40pm	<b>Organic vegetable production: case of tomato transplant and popcorn production</b> Dr. Mathieu Ngouajio, Associate Professor, Horticulture Department, M.S.U.	9:25 am	<b>The Paradox of Cover Crops: Nematode Fighters, Nematode Enhancers</b> Dr. George Bird, Professor Emeritus, Entomology Department, M.S.U.
10:05 am	<b>Break</b>	3:00 pm	<b>Break</b>	2:20 pm	<b>Use of Hoophouses for Season Extension</b> Corie Pierce, Manager and Instructor, MSU Student Organic Farm
10:20 am	<b>Cover crops for Vegetable Production</b> Dr. Vicki Morrone, Organic Vegetable and Crop Specialist, C.S. Mott Group for Sustainable Food Systems, MSU	3:15 pm	<b>Organic Certification: pros and cons</b> Dr. Susan Smalley, Extension Specialist for Food and Farming Systems	11: 00am	<b>Compost and Soil Quality</b> Dr. Stuart Grandy, Assistant Professor, Crop and Soil Sciences, M.S.U.
11:40am	<b>Leelanau Farmers Markets Vendor Opportunities</b> Pam Schmidt, Master Gardener Coordinator and Home Horticulturalist, MSUE Leelanau County	4:00 pm	<b>Farmer Panel</b> Jim Schwantes & Judy Reinhardt, Sweeter Song Farm Jenny Tutlis & Jon Watts, Meadowlark Farm Greg Vlaming, Maple Grove Organic Farm Bernie and Sandee Ware, Ware Farm	NOON	<b>Catered Lunch</b> Peggy Donaghy, Ethnic Garden Catering
1:00 pm	<b>Organic Pest Management</b>	5:00pm	<b>Closing remarks, adjourn</b>		

## Resources:

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