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Unity Church Hill Nursery to Host Adkins Arboretum Day on June 15

Celebrate a unique partnership and learn about native plants, sustainability, and gardening inspiration when Unity Church Hill Nursery hosts Adkins Day, a full day of speakers and demonstrations, on Sat., June 15.

From 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., participants can enjoy a series of talks and activities. Maryland Master Naturalist and Certified Professional Horticulturist Robyn Affron will present "Wildlife Gardening" at 11:30 a.m. Nancy Robson, a well-known author and garden writer, will discuss "Sustainable Stormwater Management" at 12:30 p.m. At 1:15 p.m., landscape designer Neenah Newell will present "Wall Pocket Gardening."

Nationally known garden writer Barbara W. Ellis will discuss "Sustainable Gardens and Landscape: One Step at a Time" at 2 p.m., and Unity president Michael Jensen will present "Shoreline and Erosion Control on Waterfront Properties" at 3 p.m.

From 1 to 3 p.m., Arboretum Youth Program Coordinator Jenny Houghton will offer a nature exploration activity area for children. All are welcome at this free event, held at Unity Church Hill Nursery at 3621 Church Hill Road (Route 213), Church Hill. Complimentary refreshments will be served, and the trio Driven Women will perform old-time Appalachian music throughout the day. For more information, call Adkins Arboretum at 410.634.2847, ext. 0 or Unity Church Hill Nursery at 410.556.6010.

Unity Church Hill Nursery is a full-service, one-stop Nursery Center located between Chestertown and Centreville. The Nursery offers a wide range of landscaping supplies and plant material, including trees, shrubs, perennials, native plants and seasonal plants of all sizes. Inspirational display gardens, pottery, sculpture, pottery and garden art are also found at the Nursery's Route 213 location. For more information, visit www.unitychurchhillnursery.com.

Adkins Arboretum is a 400-acre native garden and preserve at the headwaters of the Tuckahoe Creek in Caroline County. Open year round, the Arboretum offers educational programs for all ages about nature and gardening. Through its <u>Campaign to Build a Green Legacy</u>, it will build the <u>W. Flaccus and Ruth B. Stifel Center at Adkins Arboretum</u> and a "green" entranceway to broaden educational offerings and research initiatives promoting best practices in conservation and land stewardship. For additional information about Arboretum programs, visit <u>www.adkinsarboretum.org</u> or call 410-634-2847, ext. 0.

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