SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE

Two Tuesdays: May 20 and May 27, 2014
10 AM to 12 PM, Tallent Hall, Room #182

These two sessions will *plant* introductory principles of sustainable agriculture, soil ecology, and management in our minds. And if you have more *thyme*, you’ll learn about home composting and weed identification/management, as well as integrated pest management. *Bee* patient and you’ll discover how to grow pollinator and butterfly gardens. If you can *dig it*, you’ll get some *sage* advice on seed germination and seed saving. You might even get some starter plants for your garden, including onions, tomatoes, peppers and a variety of ornamental flowers. Especially plan to attend if you are interested in *global worming* (that’s when worms take over the earth). This program will *beet* anything you’ve ever heard!

Dr. David Rogers is assistant professor of biological sciences at UW Parkside. Dr. Rogers is a plant ecologist with expertise in the flora and natural history of the Great Lakes region.

Rogers *sprouted up* Green Bay and spent a lot of his youth roaming the north woods. He received his B.S. in Biology at UW-Stevens Point, and then, following years of muddy boots and fieldwork around the US, he earned an M.S. in Landscape Architecture, and later his Ph.D. in Botany at UW-Madison.

He is currently assistant professor of biology at UW–Parkside where he teaches environmental science, botany, ecology, and conservation biology with a goal of preparing students for careers or graduate training in field biology and biological conservation.

His expertise in the flora and natural history of the Great Lakes region has led to board and research positions for several local organizations including the
SEWISC (Southeastern Wisconsin Invasive Species Consortium) and the Kenosha/ Racine Land Trust. Since 2009, he has been nurturing the growth of the UW-Parkside Community Garden. Professor Rogers spoke to our ALL group in the fall of 2013 about sustainability issues at UW-Parkside and we’re glad to welcome him back! Does this make him a perennial or a biennial?

Sorry, these puns were blossoming everywhere...

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