HIGH DESERT GARDENING & LANDSCAPING CONFERENCE  
MARCH 13-14, 2014 - DRAFT AGENDA (Working Titles)

Thursday, March 13, 2014

7:30 – 8:30 am  Registration & Breakfast
8:30 – 8:45 am  Welcome – MC - Jan Groth
8:45 – 10:00 am  General Session: A  
Dr. Robert Casavant, Science and Research Manager, Arizona State Parks

10:00 – 10:30  Break/Exhibits

10:30 – 11:45 am  General Session: B  
Stephen Scott – Terroir Seeds LLC, Home of Underwood Gardens, Chino Valley

11:45 am – 1:15 pm  Lunch, Roundtable Discussions

1:15 – 2:15 pm  Session I
A.  Agaves & Legumes for High Desert  
Matt Johnson, Program Manager and Curator of the University of Arizona's Desert Legume Program at Boyce Thompson Arboretum

B.  Community Gardens and the Triple Bottom Line of Sustainability in the High Desert  
Mark Apel, Area Extension Agent, Community Resource Development, Cochise County

C.  Seed Saving Q & A  
Stephen Scott, Terroir Seeds LLC, Home of Underwood Gardens, Chino Valley

2:30 – 5 pm  Session II (Hands On/Interactive Sessions)
A.  Plant Identification (limit 20)  
Cochise County Herbarium Staff , UA SV

B.  Insect Identification & Management (limit 30)  
Stacey Bealmear, Extension Agent, Urban Horticulture, Yuma County and Peter Warren, Extension Agent, Urban Horticulture, Pima County

C.  Plant Propagation (limit 30)  
Bill Cook, Owner, Harmony Gardens, Duncan, AZ and Extension Program Coordinator, Cochise County

D.  The Virtual Gardener Presents – Gardening with Technology (limit 20)  
Gary Gruenhagen, Master Gardener

E.  Growing, Drying, & Cooking with Herbs (limit 30)  
Karen Webb and Maryhelen Henthorn
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8:45 – 10:00 am General Session: C
Scott Calhoun, Owner of Zona Gardens, Garden Designer & Author
Hot Pots: Container Gardening in the Arid Southwest

10:00 – 10:30 am Book Signing/Exhibits

10:30 – 11:45 am General Session D:
Vincent Pinto, Ravens-Way Wild Journeys, Patagonia AZ
Southeast Arizona Plant Identification

11:45 – 1:00 Lunch, Know it All Panel (12:15 – 12:45)

1:15 – 2:15 pm Session III
A. Growing Fruit Trees
Bill Cook, Owner, Harmony Gardens, Duncan, AZ and Extension Program Coordinator, Cochise County
B. Native Grasses & Basic Plant ID
Jim Koweek, Owner, Arizona Revegetation & Monitoring Company
C. Growing Chiles & the Latest Research
Ed Curry, President of Curry Seed and Chile Co.

2:15 – 2:30 Break

2:30 – 3:30 Session IV
A. Growing Vegetables
Clinton Gray, Gray’s Garden of Eatin’
B. Native Plant Volunteers
Vincent Pinto, Ravens-Way Wild Journeys, Patagonia AZ
C. Plants of the Chihuahuan Desert Gardens
John White, Garden Curator, Chihuahuan Desert Gardens, El Paso TX

3:45 – 4:30 pm Petey Mesquitey (Peter Gierlach)
Writer, Poet, Singer, Storyteller

4:30 Have a safe trip home

NOTE: ALL SPEAKERS, TOPICS, AND TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE