Nurseries & Vendors

Appalachian Creek Nursery has been in the garden and landscaping business for over a decade. They offer a selection of tried and true garden performers, as well as many new varieties that excel for easy care, long blooming periods, and year-round interest.

High Country Nursery specializes in fine and unusual landscape plants and uncommon specimen trees -Japanese maples, conifers, roses, cherries, blueberries, gardenias, paw paws, figs, cold hardy pomegranates and other edible fruits, indoor and outdoor plants.

Spriggly's Beescaping provides products, services, workshops, and resources to create environments that support the beneficial pollinators we need, including bee hotels.

Milkweed Meadows Farm in Fruitland, NC, Kim Bailey's former dairy farm, now grows and sells milkweed, native pollinator-friendly potted plants, wildflower seeds, heirloom vegetable seeds, cut flowers and specialty fruits, like pawpaw and passion vine, creating healthy habitats for all pollinators. Nature For My Soul adds monarch & nature photography greeting cards, journals, & games.

M.R. Gardens in the Oakley community of Asheville is a sustainable nursery for native flowers, groundcovers, herbs and vegetables starts. You could tour the passive solar greenhouse and ecological landscape and get help with garden design.

Field Venture Farms, owned by Josh Holbrook, Environmental Science Professor at Montreat College, offers a small selection of sustainably grown paw-paws, cypresses, and possibly figs, and sugarcane.

Butterfly Flight wings to wear and butterfly/bee accessories in all colors and sizes prompt movement, love of nature and joy of transformation!

A Quartzy Life brings Black Mountain artist Lauren Younis' stickers and paper goods inspired by nature, wildlife, and our mountains.

Ten Thousand Villages offers thousands of beautiful handmade items from developing countries throughout the world, including jewelry, art, textiles, planters, birdhouses, birdfeeders and more, and exquisite gifts of all kinds.

Programs and Presentations

9:00 am - Arbor Day Proclamation reading by Montreat Mayor Tim Helms and presentation of Tree City USA recognition to Town of Montreat

9:15 am - Mayor's Monarch Pledge proclamation reading by **Montreat Mayor Tim Helms** and Town of Montreat

9:30 - 2:00 pm - Mountain Music

10:00 am - Jill Jacobs & Brannen Basham, Spriggly's Beescaping reading from *Finding Home : A Story of a Mason Bee* and Q&A on native pollinators. Good for Children.

10:45 am - A Monarch's Journey : From NC to Mexico and Back by Kim Bailey, Milkweed Meadows Farm Discover the monarch's remarkable life cycle & epic migration. Invite monarchs into your own garden by growing milkweed and planting a succession of nectar-producing native flowers throughout spring, summer, and fall

11:30 am - Samantha Bowers, American Chestnut Foundation, presenting on the impact of Chestnut tree loss and current restoration efforts, including in Montreat

1:00 pm - Renee Fortner, Riverlink, A WaterRICH Landscape - Gardening for Stormwater management, creating rain gardens with a special

focus on pollinators and shade plants just for this plant sale

2:30 pm - Raffle drawing. *Winners need not be present*

9:00 pm - - Salamander Night Hike (Limit 15 participants) with **Josh**. Says Josh, "we might see 100 salamanders on any given night!"

Exhibitors

- American Chestnut Foundation Samantha Bowers with information about the catastrophic loss of American Chestnut trees and efforts to restore them to our yards and forest
- **"Be a Tree" and other Children's Activities** staffed by Montreat College students and faculty
- "Be a Butterfly" photo opportunity
- Monarchs & Milkweed, supporting the Mayor's Monarch Pledge, with information on pollinators and their host plants from National Wildlife Federation, including how your yard can become a Certified Wildlife Habitat
- Montreat Landcare Committee will share information on preferred native plants as well as invasive plants to avoid
- Firewise Initiative information from NC Forest Service, with added focus on pollinator support and shade plants safe to grow near your home
- Rain Gardens for beauty, wildlife and storm water management
- Montreat Nature Center will be open with information about the area and other resources like Bearwise materials from NC Forest Service, Parkway brochure, Montreat Outdoors brochures
- History of Montreat Forests displays

Breakfast and Lunch by





Join us at the 2022 Montreat Native Plant Sale!

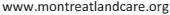
The theme is pollinators and their host plants, especially monarchs and milk-weed. Several local nurseries will offer a wide variety of native and other plants for your home and garden.

Experts will be on hand to provide planting and gardening advice. Kids will be entertained at the Montreat College "Be a Tree" hands on activity table as well as "Be a Butterfly" photo-op.

Come for informative programs throughout the day, including the loss and restoration of American Chestnut trees, creative storm water management, the monarch migration, and ma-son bees. Arrive early to sign up for the special Salamander Night Hike at 9:00 pm

(limited to 15 participants).







Montreat Native Plant Sale & Arbor Day Celebration

Saturday April 23 9am - 3pm

Moore Center At Lake Susan