



## Events & Opportunities



### Backyard Poultry Health Workshop

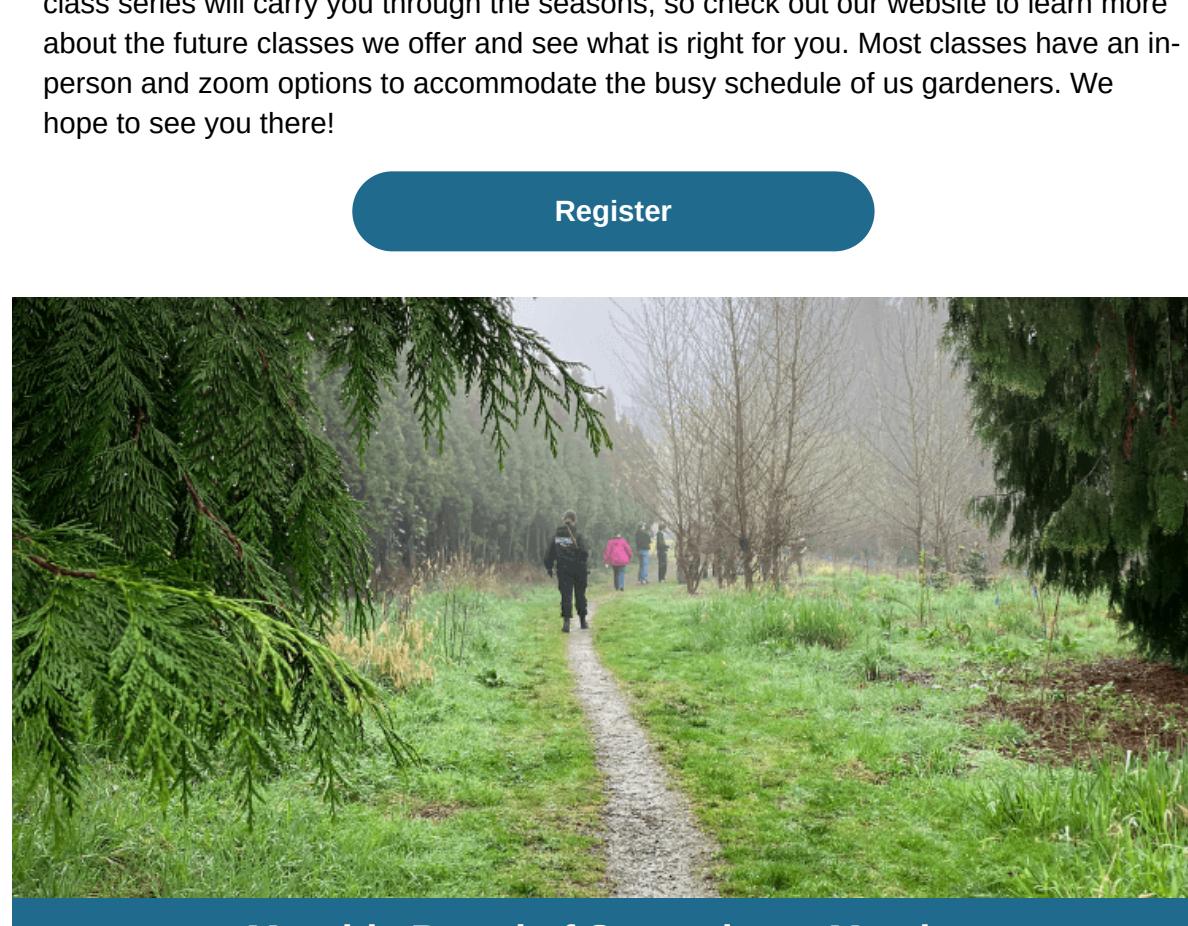
5:30 PM - 6:30PM

April 1

Virtual Webinar

Got chickens? Join Pierce Conservation District and Avian Pathologist Dr. Jonathan Elissa with Washington Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory - Puyallup to discuss the ins and outs of keeping yours (and your neighbors!) backyard flock safe. We will focus on general backyard poultry health and how you can best protect your birds through everyday management practices. This virtual workshop will allow time for a Q&A to get all of your egg-cellent questions answered.

[Register](#)



### Edible Garden Workshop Series

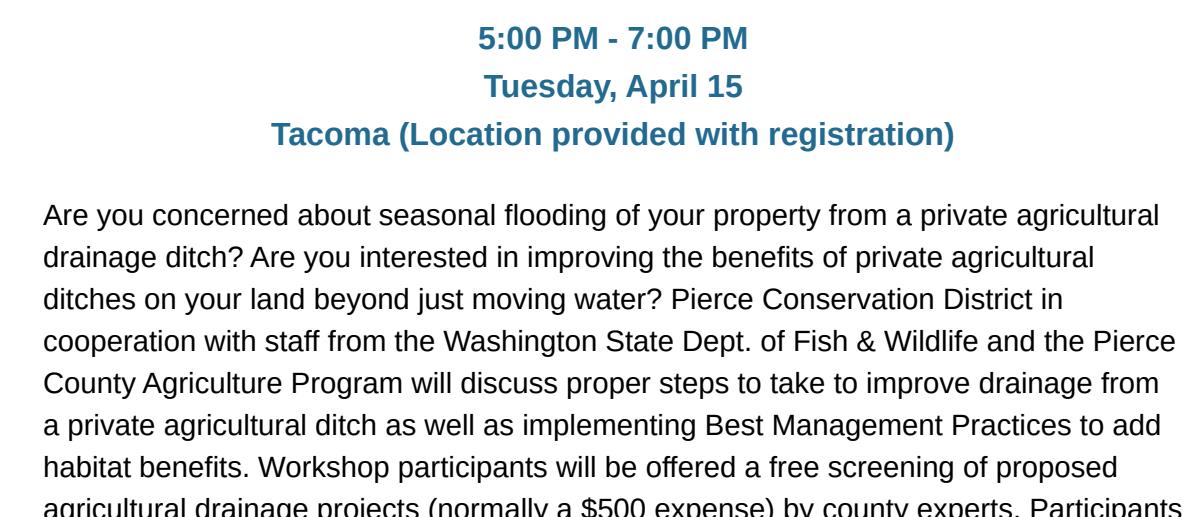
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

April 5th & April 12th

Puyallup (Location provided with registration)

This month's garden class topics will be General Garden Care, including tips and tricks on weeding, watering, and succession planting and Garden Bugs, from the good to the bad, including pest prevention methods that could save your produce this season. The class series will carry you through the seasons, so check out our website to learn more about the future classes we offer and see what is right for you. Most classes have an in-person and zoom options to accommodate the busy schedule of us gardeners. We hope to see you there!

[Register](#)



### Monthly Board of Supervisors Meeting

April 9th from 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

In Person at PCD Office and Virtual

Open to the public. Our monthly Board of Supervisors meeting to update work accomplished and future plans.

[Calendar Event](#)

[Agenda](#)



### Agricultural Ditch Maintenance Workshop

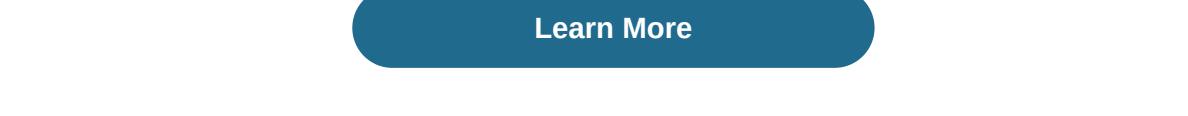
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Tuesday, April 15

Tacoma (Location provided with registration)

Are you concerned about seasonal flooding of your property from a private agricultural drainage ditch? Are you interested in improving the benefits of private agricultural ditches on your land beyond just moving water? Pierce Conservation District in cooperation with staff from the Washington State Dept. of Fish & Wildlife and the Pierce County Agriculture Program will discuss proper steps to take to improve drainage from a private agricultural ditch as well as implementing Best Management Practices to add habitat benefits. Workshop participants will be offered a free screening of proposed agricultural drainage projects (normally a \$500 expense) by county experts. Participants might also qualify for BMP cost share on approved private agricultural drainage ditch projects that improve system benefits.

[Register](#)



### Green Puyallup Partnership Open House

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Thursday, April 17th

PCD Office, 308 W Stewart Ave, Puyallup

Attention Puyallup residents! Want to learn how Pierce Conservation District and City of Puyallup are working to improve water quality in your backyard? This April we're hosting an open house where you'll have the opportunity to connect with landscaping and backyard habitat experts as well as City staff that are working to keep Puyallup green and healthy. We'll have information on rain gardens, rain barrels, City projects, local green spaces and so much more. This event is FREE and open to the public. We can't wait to see you there!

[Learn More](#)



## Small Scale Biochar Production Workshop

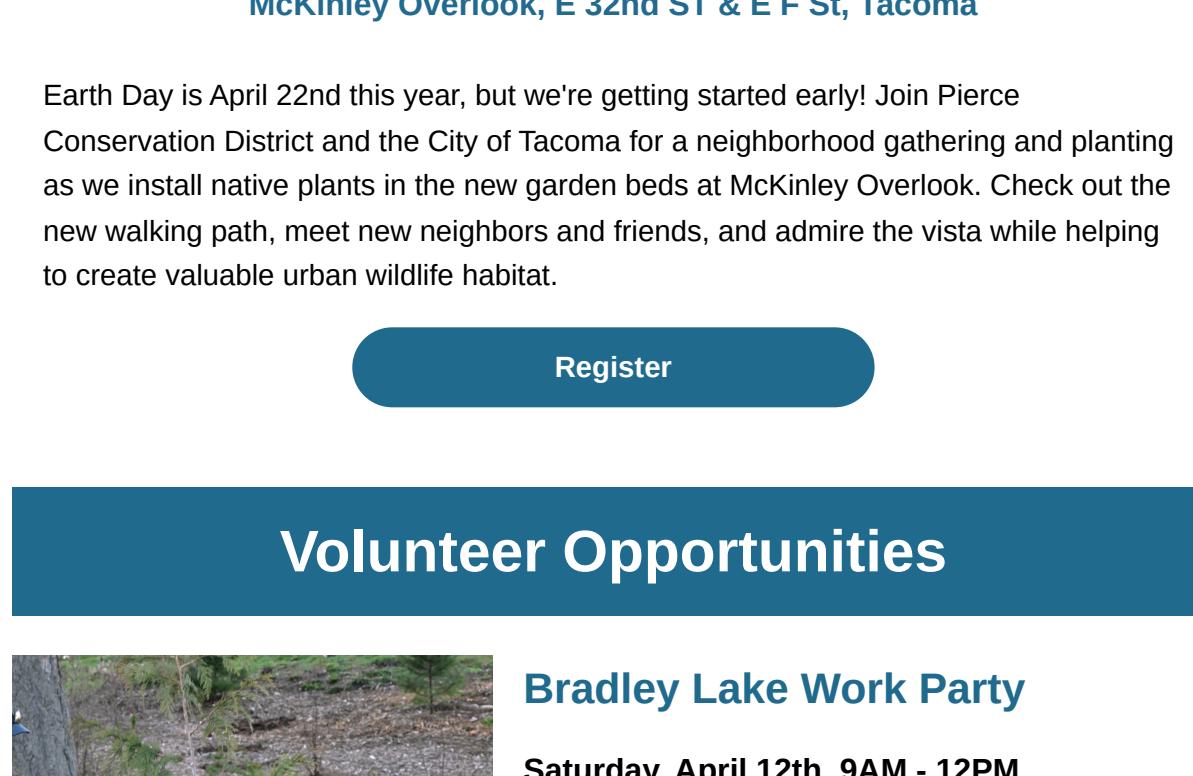
1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Saturday, April 19

Elbe (Location provided on registration)

Are you a farmer or gardener interested in biochar for its soil health benefits? A homeowner seeking an alternative to chipping material that you have removed to become more prepared for wildfires? A small forest landowner seeking an alternative to burning slash and thinned trees? Or all the above? Then this is the workshop for you! Come learn about the Ring of Fire portable biochar production kiln which has a 5.6 cubic yard feedstock capacity and produces 2-3 cubic yards of biochar per burn.

[Register](#)



## McKinley Overlook Community Gathering & Planting

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Saturday, April 19th

McKinley Overlook, E 32nd ST & E F St, Tacoma

Earth Day is April 22nd this year, but we're getting started early! Join Pierce Conservation District and the City of Tacoma for a neighborhood gathering and planting as we install native plants in the new garden beds at McKinley Overlook. Check out the new walking path, meet new neighbors and friends, and admire the vista while helping to create valuable urban wildlife habitat.

[Register](#)

## Volunteer Opportunities



### Bradley Lake Work Party

Saturday, April 12th, 9AM - 12PM

Puyallup

Volunteer with us by spending 3 hours at Bradley Lake Park in Puyallup. Activities include caring for existing plants and removing invasive species such as Himalayan blackberry and thistle.

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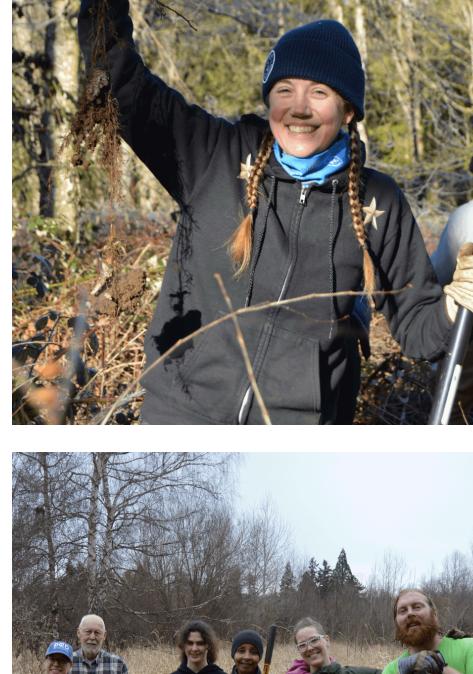
### q̄w̄iq̄w̄əl̄ut (Little Salt Marsh) Work Party

Saturday, April 12th, 9AM - 12PM

Tacoma

Volunteer with us by spending 3 hours at the q̄w̄iq̄w̄əl̄ut salt marsh in Tacoma. Activities include caring for existing plants and removing invasive species such as Himalayan blackberry and thistle.

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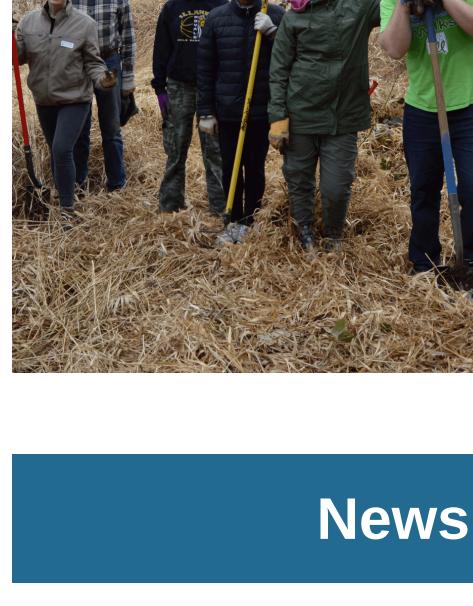
### Waughop Lake Work Party

Saturday, April 12th, 9AM - 12PM

Lakewood

Volunteer with us by spending 3 hours at Adriana Hess Wetland Park in University Place. Activities include caring for existing plants and removing invasive species such as Himalayan blackberry and thistle.

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### Adriana Hess Work Party

Saturday April 19th, 9AM - 12PM

University Place

Volunteer with us by spending 3 hours at Adriana Hess Wetland Park in University Place. Activities include caring for existing plants and removing invasive species such as Himalayan blackberry and thistle.

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### South Prairie Creek Work Party

Saturday, April 19th, 9AM - 12PM

Orting

We will tackle some routine maintenance tasks to prep for the rapidly approaching spring blooms. We will also have an optional bird walk led by PCD's resident bird expert (starting at 8 AM), activities for the kids, and a nature walk for all ages.

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### Earth Day Events

Saturday, April 26, 9AM - 12PM

Fircrest, Edgewood, Puyallup

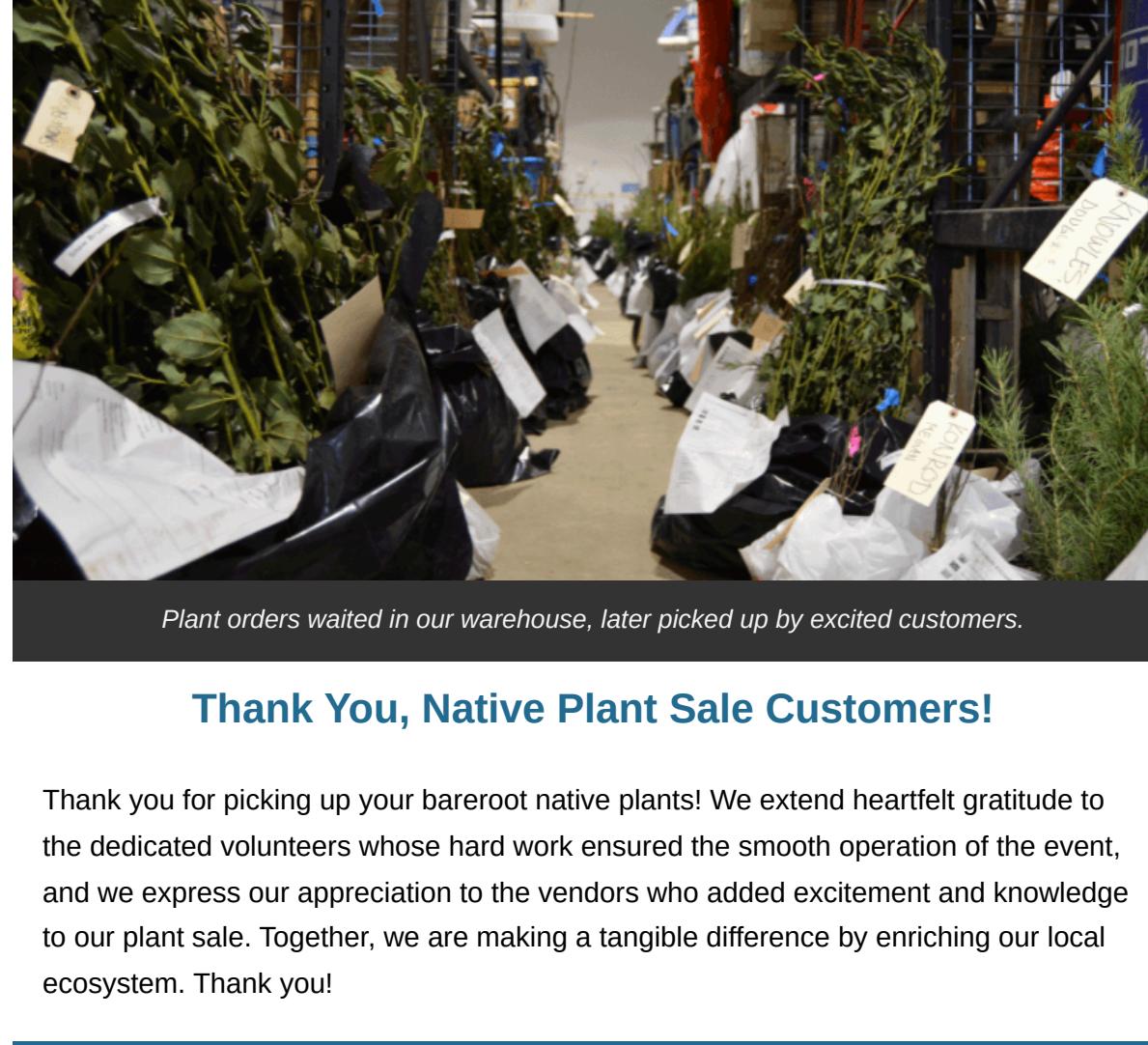
Join us for an Earth day extravaganza!

Volunteer with us by spending 3 hours working around Pierce County. Activities include caring for existing plants, removing weeds, and mulching.

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## News from Pierce CD



*Plant orders waited in our warehouse, later picked up by excited customers.*

## **Thank You, Native Plant Sale Customers!**

Thank you for picking up your bareroot native plants! We extend heartfelt gratitude to the dedicated volunteers whose hard work ensured the smooth operation of the event, and we express our appreciation to the vendors who added excitement and knowledge to our plant sale. Together, we are making a tangible difference by enriching our local ecosystem. Thank you!

## **In the Conservation Community**

[South Sound Sustainability Expo](#) - PCD will be at the 17th Annual South Sound Sustainability Expo! This free, family-friendly event brings the South Sound community together to celebrate and promote environmental sustainability and resiliency.

[Crescent Creek Park Open House](#) - The City of Gig Harbor is hosting an open house for the Crescent Creek Park master plan on April 9 from 4-6pm at Crescent Creek Park.

[Whatcom CD Farm Speaker Series](#) - Join Whatcom Conservation District on local farms to hear from local farmers and experience field-based workshops. 2nd Thursday of each month, May through September.

[Relaciones Reciprocas: la Tierra y Nosotros](#) - En este taller de escritura somática, practicaremos la respiración, la afirmación, la terapia somática, la escritura y el compartir durante nuestro tiempo juntos.

