Holtsville, NY - After experiencing one of the harshest winters on record, Brookhaven Highway Superintendent Daniel P. Losquadro wants to help Brookhaven residents get into the spring of things. The Brookhaven Highway Department will be hosting spring pee wee gardening classes and adult horticulture classes at the Holtsville Ecology Site.

"These programs are a great value for less than $10 a class," Superintendent Losquadro said. "Children and adults will both learn how to make use of recyclable materials, beautify their surroundings and sustain plant life in their homes and gardens."

Pee wee classes are an hour long and students will complete fun craft and planting projects using recyclable materials based around the topic of the day, which is always plant and material related. After completing the project, students will have something to bring home for each week of the six class session.

Adult classes are two hours long and include lectures on plant propagation, pruning and how to successfully maintain a vegetable garden.

"It is great seeing the expressions on children's faces when they complete a project," said April Perry, Director of the Ecology Site. "The pee wee program provides them with a positive horticultural experience and fosters a love for plants. Adults will learn about sustainability and how they can maintain their favorite flowers and plants in perpetuity."

Pee wee classes are for children three to five years old. Tuesday classes begin April 14th and continue through May 19th. Friday classes start April 17th and continue through May 22nd. Registration for the Tuesday class is Tuesday, March 24th at 10 a.m. Registration for the Friday class is Friday, March 27th at 10 a.m. Registration for the pee wee classes is in person only at the Holtsville Ecology Site, located at 249 Buckley Road in Holtsville. The cost for the six session class is $50. Debit and credit cards are accepted. Please make checks payable to the Brookhaven
Residents registering for the adult horticulture classes can register in person, by phone or mail by March 25, 2015. Classes will be held from 10 a.m. to noon beginning April 15th and continuing through May 20th. The cost for this class is also $50 for six weeks.

Should you need additional information, please call 631-758-9664 x10 or log on to brookhaven.org.

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