

GSU Botanical Garden Hosting Lunch and Learn Series
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STATESBORO, Ga. – October 16, 2008 - The Georgia Southern University Botanical Gardens will be hosting a “Lunch and Learn Series” that will begin Thursday, October 23 at 12 p.m.

Chef Jason Scarboro of Emma’s Restaurant will begin the program with *Cooking with Organic and Local Produce*. Scarboro will introduce ways to cook using local, organic, and healthy produce and still make the dish taste great.

Relinda Walker of Walker Organic Farms will be providing organic produce for lunch, in which Scarboro will be demonstrating several ways to prepare the food.

“My goal is to make Walker Organic Farms sustainable as a farm and as a business, and to have my farming contribute to a healthier environment and a strong regional food system,” Walker said.

The event is co-sponsored by the Office of Sustainability and the College of Science and Technology.

The lunch costs \$20 and will be held at the Botanical Gardens, 1505 Bland Avenue.

Reservations are required and can be made by calling the Botanical Gardens at (912) 871-1149.

Local resident and Georgia Southern Public Relations professor Barbara Nixon said she will be in attendance, especially after the newest additions to the garden.

“When I think of the GSU Botanical Gardens, I usually just think of a great place to go for a stroll and photograph the flowers while I’m there. I definitely plan to sign up for the Lunch and Learn series,” Nixon said.

For more information about where you can purchase Walker Organic Farms produce, visit www.walkerorganicfarm.com.