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Evergreen Tree Seedlings Sale Begins Spring Planting Season

Spring is coming-it really is! And its time to get ready with Cornell Cooperative Extension of Ulster County's "Spring Seedling Sale" taking place now through February 28, 2005. The seedlings are perfect for creating hedges for privacy or shade, or to provide screening or windbreaks. This year the Canaan Fir, a tree that has proven to be very popular at local nurseries, is being offered as a three year old transplant—meaning it should plant well and grow quickly. A new variety, White Spruce, has been added for those with deer problems to the many ornamental and decorative evergreens available. Planting seedlings can help with reforestation and prevent soil erosion thereby maintaining the environment while beautifying the landscape. The ten varieties available are:

- ◆ Austrian Pine ◆ Concolor Fir ◆ Fraser Fir ◆ Canaan Fir
- ◆ White Pine ◆ Scotch Pine ◆ White Spruce
- ◆ Colorado Blue Spruce ◆ Norway Spruce ◆ Canadian Hemlocks

All seedlings are bareroot (except Canaan which is bare-root transplant), not balled stock, with sizes ranging from 8" to 20." Trees are bundled in quantities of 10. Discounts are available for orders of 50 or 100. Pickup dates are April 20th & 21st at the Ulster County Fairgrounds, Libertyville Rd, in New Paltz from 10 am to 4 pm or April 22nd from 10 am to 4 pm & 23rd from 9 am to noon at the Ulster County Highway Garage, 66 Hurley Avenue, Kingston.

Some new berries are also available. Heritage, a hardy well-established berry in the area capable of producing two crops, and a black summer raspberry, Jewel, featuring large, glossy rich summer fruit are offered. Thornless, winter hardy blackberry, ever bearing strawberry, and blueberry seedlings are also available. THINK SPRING, ORDER NOW! Orders must be placed by Monday, February 28, 2005. Forms are available on-line at www.cce.cornell.edu/local_programs.htm or by calling 845-340-3990.