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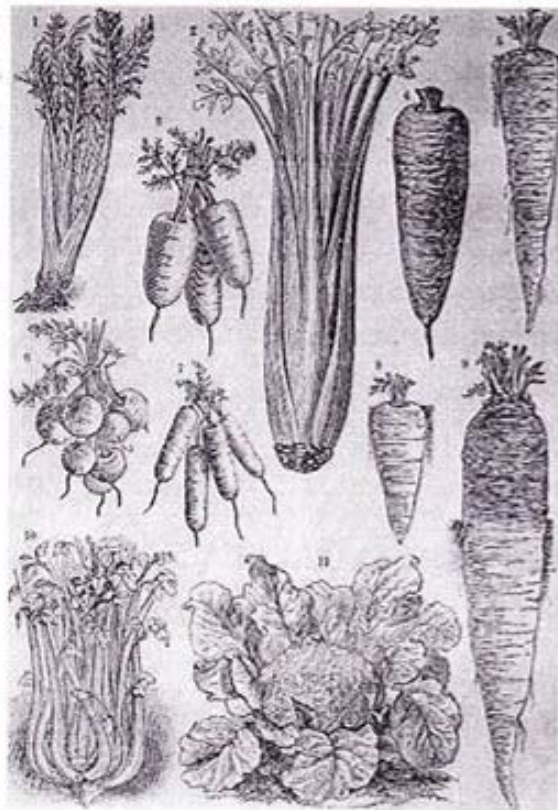
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Rebecca Rupp:

Wolf Peaches, Poisoned Peas, and Madame Pompadour's Underwear

The Surprising History of Common Garden Vegetables

Common garden vegetables have long and fascinating histories. Science and history writer Rebecca Rupp will discuss the stories behind many of our favorites, among them the much-maligned tomato and potato, the (mostly) popular pumpkin, and Vermont's dynamic duo of kale and Gilfeather turnip. Find out why a lot of us don't like beets, how a 17th-century pirate named the bell pepper, how carrots won the Trojan War, and how George Washington was nearly assassinated with a plate of poisoned peas.



**Sunday, March 26
4pm**

**Pond Village Church
49 Ridge Road, Brookfield**

Free, accessible to people with disabilities, and open to the public. For more information, contact Gary Lord at (802) 276-3927 or glord@norwich.edu.

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