



Spring Extension Week

April 20-26, 2015

UAF Cooperative Extension Service ■ Tanana District Office ■ 724 27th Ave.

*Come play
with us!*

*It's our spring
information fest
of FREE
mini classes!*



We are located at
724 27th Ave., Suite. 2,
in the southwest
corner of the Fairbanks
Community Food Bank
building.



Parking is available at
27th Avenue and
Rickert Street or
alongside the road.



All classes are free
of charge, but space
is limited, so register
soon at 474-1530.



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Monday, Apr. 20

10 a.m. — Vegetable Varieties for the Interior, Steven Seefeldt, Agriculture & Horticulture Agent

A look at the vegetable varieties that will work in Interior Alaska.

2 p.m. — Birch Tapping & Sap Collection, Kimberly Maher

Prior to the spring leaf out, birch trees must move nutrients stored in their roots to the tops of the trees where the new leaves are grown. Different cultures from around the North have harvested this spring sap for centuries and enjoyed it both as a refreshing beverage and health tonic. This class will teach the basics of tapping birch and collecting sap.

6 p.m. — Alaska's Cottage Foods Exemptions, Kate Idzorek, Foods Research Technician

This class will look at the Alaska Cottage Foods Exemptions and what they mean to small producers. It will include basics to help producers succeed with their cottage foods business such as booth design at the farmers market, marketing and sanitation.

Tuesday, Apr. 21

10 a.m. — Growing Garlic in Alaska, Heidi Rader, Tribes Extension Educator

Learn all about growing garlic in Alaska — best growing practices, varieties, etc.

2 p.m. — Managing Intestinal Parasites in Small Ruminants, Lisa Lunn, Veterinarian

If you raise ruminant livestock, there is a good chance that at some point they will get intestinal parasites. We will discuss how parasites become a problem on farms, how to determine if your animals have parasites, and how to manage the problem in the animal and in the pasture. Learn how to manage the parasites before they manage your farm!

6 p.m. — Smart Phones, Marla Lowder, 4-H & Youth Development Agent

Is your smart phone smarter than you? Come and learn the basics of the smart phone and how it works. We will focus on the iPhone but will try and help with the others if you would like to come. The class instructor will walk you through the screen and the basics of the iPhone. We will also talk about short cuts and things that make it easier to accomplish your tasks.

Wednesday, Apr. 22

10 a.m. — Using Your GPS, Marla Lowder, 4-H & Youth Development Agent

Learn how to use a GPS. Marla will have GPS equipment for you to learn on. Class limit: 24.

3 p.m. — Soil Testing Your Garden, Jessica Guritz, Fairbanks Soil & Water Conservation District

Learn how to correctly take soil samples from your garden and what the results mean. Basic soil properties and how to improve them will be discussed.

6 p.m. — Homemade Bread, Roxie Dinstel, Associate Director

It's the staff of life. Good wholesome, chewy bread is an art and so much better than much of the fluff in the stores. Learn basic techniques for making good bread.

Thursday, Apr. 23

10 a.m. — Raised Bed Gardening, Darcy Etchevery, IPM/Agriculture Program Aide

Are you interested in the benefits of using raised beds in Interior Alaska to grow your vegetables? This workshop will cover bed design, season extension, and crops suited for raised beds.

2 p.m. — Identity Theft, Roxie Dinstel, Associate Director

Are you concerned about protecting your identity? Learn what to do and how you can guard against those that might steal your identity.

6 p.m. — Beginner Apple Tree Grafting, Steve Masterman, Local Fruit Grower

Learn the basics of grafting apple trees from a local expert and find out what root stocks work best for YOUR location. Participants will graft four apple trees to take home. Cost: \$30/person. Please bring: leather gloves; sharp knife with a straight, thin blade; a cutting board; and cash or check to pay the instructor for the class.





Friday, Apr. 24

10 a.m. — Growing Small Grains, Steven Seefeldt, Agriculture & Horticulture Agent

Growing grains such as barley and wheat is not just for large farms, it can be done on a small scale in your garden. Learn sowing, growing, harvesting, and storage techniques.

2 p.m. — Zumba Fitness (Low Impact), Reina Hasting, Nutrition Educator

Come burn some calories while having fun learning some easy Zumba dance fitness moves. Class limit: 20.

6 p.m. — Growing Microgreens at Home, Daniel Fowler, 40-Below Gardening

Learn how to grow nutritious microgreens year round in your home. Techniques for sowing and growing will be presented and there will be a microgreen taste test.

Saturday, Apr. 25

10 a.m. — Beginner Apple Tree Grafting, Steve Masterman, Local Fruit Grower

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1 p.m. — What's New with Social Media, Alda Norris, Evaluation Specialist

Social media interfaces can change rapidly. In this session we'll discuss how to keep up with the latest in privacy settings, messaging and other commonly used features of two popular social media platforms.

Sunday, Apr. 26

10 a.m. — Superfoods from Your Garden, Marsha Munsell, HHFD Program Assistant & Darcy Etcheverry, IPM/Agriculture Program Aide

Learn about the nutritional values of common superfoods and how to grow them in your garden.

1 p.m. — Intermediate Apple Tree Grafting, Steve Masterman, Local Fruit Grower

This class is designed for those with previous grafting experience. Come and get a quick grafting refresher, then graft trees within the allotted time for \$5 apiece. Please bring: leather gloves; sharp knife with a straight, thin blade; a cutting board; and cash or check to pay the instructor for the trees.

