2020
Idaho
Master Gardeners’
Annual Horticulture
Class Series
“There are no mistakes in the garden, only composting opportunities.”

- Dorothy Kienke -
Your Idaho Master Gardener Volunteers...

- Bring the University of Idaho to your life.
- Deliver practical, research-based solutions to your gardening questions.
- Help solve today’s horticulture problems.
- Operate a free Plant Diagnostic Clinic for the public, April through September.
- Host gardening classes for the public.
- Volunteer in your community.
- Manage The Pollination Project and UI Demonstration Garden for education, research, and interpretation.

Partner with us in this Project with your **tax deductible donation**! Come into the UI Extension Office, call us at (208) 446-1680 or go to the link below for more information: www.uidaho.edu/extension/county/kootenai/garden/demo
Our 2020 Annual Horticulture
*Monday Class Series*

Class dates, times, locations, and descriptions below.

*Pre-registration with payment is required for ALL classes.*

**Monday Evening Classes**

6:00-8:00pm, $10 per person per class (unless noted)

**Class Location (unless otherwise noted):**
*Kootenai County Administration Building, Lower Level*
*451 North Government Way, Coeur d’Alene*
*(enter next to Vehicle Licensing)*

“Introduction: Finding Inland Northwest Butterflies”
March 16th, 6:00-8:00pm

*Presented by John Baumann, amateur Lepidopterist and former President of the Washington Butterfly Association.*

This presentation is the introductory unit of John’s “Finding Inland Northwest Butterflies” three-part class. The 90-minute lecture is fast-paced and rife with lush photos of our colorful local butterflies. You will learn some tips on how to be a better butterfly observer and gardener, and will be invited to attend the final two lessons and the field trip part of the class in the Spokane area, if you find John has whetted your appetite for the study of our butterfly fauna.

“Propagation from Seeds and Cuttings: It’s Not as Hard as You Think!”
March 30th, 6:00-8:00pm

*Presented by Steve Nokes, WSU Master Gardener.*

All gardening begins with a new shoot, a single tip of green pushing its way through the soil. While some plants are quite happy to propagate themselves, many need early encouragement and nurturing. Whether you’re aiming to germinate rare varieties, preserve the characteristics of existing specimens or simply want to reduce material costs, propagation from seeds and cuttings will guide you through the different horticultural principles.
**“Deer Resistant Gardening”**  
**April 6th, 6:00-8:00pm**  
*Presented by Mary Vehr, Certified Idaho Master Gardener.*

Presented by Mary Vehr, a Kootenai County Idaho Master Gardener who regularly tests new plants in her landscape to see if they become deer dinner. This class will discuss deer eating habits, debunk some myths, and describe tips and tricks for growing a beautiful garden while minimizing deer browsing.

**“Workshop: DIY Native Bee House”**  
**April 20th, 6:00-9:00pm ($50/person)**  
*Location: Gizmo, Hedlund Building, NIC, 283 N Hubbard St, CDA*  
*Presented by Gizmologists and Kara Carleton, Idaho Master Gardener Coordinator, Kootenai County.*

Learning and using Gizmo’s woodshop, laser cutters, CAD software and 3D printer, you can build your own correct native bee house. With the correct resources, we can successfully raise these non-agressive native pollinators and support local pollination.

*For ages 14 years and older - seating is very limited! Materials and tools included. (Learn about native Mason Bees and Leafcutter Bees at our class “Native Beekeeping for Spring and Summer Pollination” - info on Page 11).*
Most owners of “backyard forests” (five acres or less of forest land) are interested primarily in keeping their trees healthy and their landscapes attractive. Unfortunately, many do not consider action until backyard forest trees are visibly suffering from some kind of insect or disease problem, which are usually preventable.

This class will help homeowners with smaller acreages of forested land apply basic concepts of forest ecology to their trees. Topics will also include promoting native North Idaho trees, identifying common forest insects and diseases, and enhancing forest wildlife habitat.

Because we have such a varied range of geography, soils, and precipitation patterns, Idaho has a wider variety of native trees than most other Rocky Mountain states. The first step in caring for these trees, whether they are in a landscape or in a forest, is correct species identification.

Distinguishing between Idaho’s trees can be a daunting task for beginners. Through a combination of images and live samples, Identifying Idaho’s Trees will help participants quickly identify Idaho’s most common native trees.
“Seed Saving Basics”  
June 22nd, 6:00-8:00pm  
Presented by Candace Godwin, Certified Idaho Master Gardener.

Learn seed saving techniques for several “easy to save” herbs, flowers and vegetables, including tomatoes, peppers, beans and peas. Topics include “the Birds and the Bees” (understanding basic botany and pollination for seed saving), choosing varieties to save, garden planning for successful seed saving, techniques and live demo, storing and testing saved seeds, and sharing the love of seed saving. All participants will receive heirloom tomato seeds to get you started on your own seed-saving journey!

“Beyond The Sauce: Creative Ways to Use Tomatoes”  
August 10th, 6:00-8:00pm ($15/person)  
Location: UI Extension Office, 1808 N 3rd Street, CDA  
Presented by Michal Bennett, Food Writer and Co-owner of Coffee Roboto and Steady Bar.

A juicy, sun-warmed, vine-ripened tomato is the quintessential taste of summer. But there’s more to this fruit/vegetable than tomato sauce, salsa and salad. This food demonstration and tasting will explore creative and unique methods, recipes and pairings to make the most of your tomato harvest and keep your family and guests coming back for seconds...and thirds! Recipe cards and samples provided.
“Growing in Northern Idaho: A 2-Day Workshop”
March 21st-22nd, 8:30am-5:00pm daily ($80/person)
Location: Kootenai County Fairgrounds,
4056 North Government Way, CDA
Register early. Limited to 50 participants.
Presented by your Idaho Master Gardeners.

This two-day workshop is intended for anyone new to gardening in the unique climate of northern Idaho. Come learn how to create beautiful and productive landscapes and gardens that thrive in our short season.

Participants will receive the University of Idaho Extension book titled *Planting an Idaho Vegetable Garden*, as well as a binder filled with handouts and instructions to help you reach your goals. This workshop and these references will become your go-tos for growing successful lawns, landscapes, fruits, vegetables, perennials, and herbs.

“Outstanding 2-day class addressing our unique climate conditions. Everything from lawns to fruit to pollinators. Includes time with Master Gardener subject matter experts for Q&A. A ‘must-do’ for newbies to the rea as well as long-timers!”

Testimonial
WORKSHOP TOPICS

Saturday, March 21st

- Growing Tree Fruits / Vegetables: Preparing your Garden / Growing Vegetables / Weed Management / Seed Starting and Saving Demo / Caring for Lawns
- Q&A Lunch Session (Brown Bag Lunch suggested)*

Sunday, March 22nd

- Growing and Designing Herb Gardens / Berries and Small Fruits / Helping Pollinators Thrive in Your Landscape / Selecting and Caring for Flowering Plants in Your Landscape / and More!
- Q&A Lunch Session (Brown Bag Lunch suggested)*

*Light refreshments will be provided in the morning. Please bring a brown bag lunch for a Q&A Lunch Session with your Idaho Master Gardeners.

Testimonial

“Since moving up here almost 2 years ago, I’ve had so many questions about how to grow in N. Idaho. This 2-day course answered questions I didn’t even know to ask! While still a novice, I have more confidence to start the growing season right. Thank you!”
Our 2020 Annual Horticulture Saturday Class Series

Class dates, times, locations, and descriptions below.
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Saturday Classes

Times and prices vary - see each class description.

Honey Beekeeping for Newbees: An Introduction to the Joys and Challenges of Honey Beekeeping
February 15th, 10:00am-1:00pm
($10/person)
Location: UI Extension Office, 1808 N 3rd Street, CDA
Presented by Holly Carling, Certified Idaho Master Gardener.

This class will introduce you to the basics of the exciting world of honey beekeeping. It will develop your skills and further your understanding of these incredible creatures. It is meant for those new to beekeeping. Holly will cover various topics of European Honey beekeeping, including general biology, equipment, hive building, pests, diseases, tools of the trade and pesticides.

Limited to 8 years-old and older.
“Native Beekeeping for Spring and Summer Pollination”
March 7th, 10:00am-1:00pm ($10/person)
Presented by Kara Carleton, Idaho Master Gardener Coordinator.

Northern Idaho is home to almost 600 native, hive-less bees. We invite you to learn how to raise two species of these bees: the Spring Blue Orchard Mason Bee and the Summer Leaf Cutter Bee. Both are docile, non-aggressive, and safe for families and pets. Learn to build nests and create habitats for these and other native pollinators, as well as how to grow more food with native bees.

“Herbs for Every Season - Historical Use of Herbs, Growing Herbs and Designing Your Herb Garden”
April 4th, 10:00am-12:00pm ($10/person)
Presented by Jeanne Kirby, Certified Idaho Master Gardener.

Herbs have played an important role in history and are utilized in so many aspects of our lives. Are you interested in growing herbs in your garden or already growing herbs? Discover gardening tips to help you improve, try something new and learn more about specific species. Learn more about how particular herbs were used throughout history, their uses and growth patterns. You will have the opportunity to explore and create designs for your own personal herb garden.

“Food Not Lawns”
May 16th, 10:00am-12:00pm ($10/person)
Presented by Kathleen Callum, Certified WSU Master Gardener.

Want to find out whether converting your lawn to a garden is a good idea? Master Gardener Kathleen Callum will introduce the checkered history of America’s love affair with the perfect lawn, the rise of a decentralized “Food Not Lawns” and local foods movement, and her own family’s decision to grow their fruits and vegetables alongside a busy urban street in Spokane, Washington.
“Putting Your Garden to Bed”  
June 13th, 10:00am-12:00pm

Presented by Fran Pugh, Certified Idaho Master Gardener.

Ever wondered what you were supposed to do with your flower beds and berries at the end of the season? Were you supposed to do something? Even, how to do it? This class is for you. Idaho Master Gardener, Fran Pugh, will present her wealth of knowledge of cold weather gardening to help you learn long-time tips and tricks to prepare your yard through fall, for winter, and to be ready for spring.

“Gardening with Dogs”  
July 18th, 10:00am-1:00pm

Presented by Mara, Certified Idaho Master Gardener.

Do you love dogs and gardening and would like to know if it is possible to combine the two? Veteran Master Gardener Mara has loved both dogs and gardening her entire life and has learned how to create dog-friendly landscapes that can benefit the garden, the dog(s), and you!

Learn which plants are safe for dogs, which are not, what types of fencing to use and why, the best types of paths, garden friendly dog activities, etc. Mara uses humor and stories woven throughout the instruction to make this a class that is not just informative, but also fun.
“Landscaping for Fire Prevention”  
July 25th, 10:00am-12:00pm ($10/person)  
Presented by Chris Schnepf, UI Area Extension Educator - Forestry.

Forest fires are a fact of life in the Inland Northwest, and homes located on forested lands can be at high fire risk. Forest fires are not always easy to stop, but you can take action to reduce the risk of damage to your home from wildfire. This program helps forest homeowners modify their houses and landscapes to make them less likely to burn and easier for firefighters to access.

“Workshop: Design with Succulents in Pumpkin Pots”  
October 17th, 10:00am-1:00pm ($30/person)  
Location: Kootenai County Fairgrounds, 4056 N Government Way, CDA

This fun “make-and-take” workshop teaches you how to care for and create unique succulent arrangements for all seasons. Participants will craft their own pumpkin “pot” and succulent arrangement to take home for their fall table. Succulents, pumpkins and soil medium included. Please bring your own gloves and plant shears. Limited to 30 participants.

“Native Bee Cocoon Harvest Parties”  
A: October 17th, 2:00-4:00pm (FREE)  
Location: Kootenai County Fairgrounds, 4056 N Government Way, CDA  
October 24th, B: 9:00-11:00am and C: 11:00am-1:00pm (FREE)  
Location: UI Extension Office, 1808 N 3rd Street, CDA

Presented by Kara Carleton, Idaho Master Gardener Coordinator, Kootenai County.

If you keep native Blue Orchard Mason Bees or Leaf Cutter Bees, come harvest your cocoons with other beekeepers and learn to store them for spring. Supplies provided. Limited seating. (Learn about native Mason Bees and Leafcutter Bees at our class “Native Beekeeping for Spring and Summer Pollination” - info on Page 11. Build your own native bee house at our workshop - info on Page 5.)
Come visit our Plant Diagnostic Clinic to learn how to care for your garden and yard.

Summer Plant Clinic Hours:
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9am-3pm
April - September, 2020

Save the Dates 2020:

Annual Idaho Master Gardener Sodbusters Plant Sale
Saturday, May 2nd, 2020, 9am-1pm
UI Extension Office, 1808 N. 3rd St, Coeur d’Alene, ID
Buy homegrown seedlings, plants and garden wares from Idaho Master Gardeners, including heirlooms, organics, Idaho-grown plants, and seedlings adapted to our climate. Locally-adapted milkweed seeds and native plants will be available for purchase as a fundraiser for our Pollination Project Demo Garden.

Kootenai County Farmer’s Market Opening Day
Saturday, May 9th, 2020, 9am-1:30pm
kootenaifarmersmarkets.org

North Idaho State Fair
August 26th-30th, 2020
www.nisfair.fun

SCD Spring Tree and Shrub Seedling Sale
Pre-order February 1st through mid-March, 2020.
sccd.org/departments/forestry/tree-sale
2020 IMG Annual Horticulture Class Series
Registration Form
Pre-registration with payment is required. Seating is limited!

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Telephone ___________________ Cell __________________

Address ______________________________

City __________________ State _______ Zip _______

Email ________________________________
(required for class reminders)

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Please return this registration with payment as soon as possible to:
UI Extension, Kootenai County
1808 North 3rd Street, Coeur d’Alene, ID 83814
Make checks payable to “UI Extension”. Note: Seating is limited!

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