



AMGA MAY 2015

MEETINGS and EVENTS

Friday, May 1

Herb Study Group, Topic: Olfactory: Using Our Senses to Enjoy Herbs. 12:00pm - 1:30 am at Cooperative Extension Service, 1675 C Street, Suite 100, Anchorage.

Monday, May 4

**Alaska Native Plant Society Monthly Meeting: Ethnobotany: On Both Sides of the Bering Strati by Dr. Kevin Jernigan. Mini-Botany: Alder, Horsetail by Anjanette Steer; Plant Family: Saxifraga oppositifolia and Eritrichium arctoides by Glenn Brown. 7:00 pm at Campbell Science Center, Anchorage.

**Mat-Su Master Gardener's Monthly Meeting. 6:30 pm at MTA building, Palmer.

**Meadow Lake Bloomers Monthly Meeting: Plant Sale Planning and Potluck. 10:30 am at Meadow Lake Senior Center.

Tuesday, May 5

Valley Garden Club: Fertilization: Where, When, How for Lawns, Trees, Shrubs, Flowers and Gardens by Steve Brown, Mat-Su Cooperative Extension. 10:30 am at First Baptist Church, Bogard Road, Wasilla. Details: <http://www.valleygardenclub.com/>.

Thursday, May 7

Anchorage Garden Club monthly public meeting: Growing and Enjoying Herbs, by Julie Riley, Anchorage Cooperative Extension Service. 7:00 pm at Pioneer Schoolhouse, 437 E 3rd Avenue, Anchorage. Details at: <http://www.alaskagardenclubs.org/anchorageclub.htm>.

Friday, May 8

National Public Gardens Day: Join Alaska Botanical Garden to celebrate the nation's public gardens day with a free day at the Garden, 4601 Campbell Airstrip Road, Anchorage. Details at: <http://alaskabg.org/>.

Saturday, May 9

Alaska Pioneer Fruit Growers: Peter's Creek Pruning Demo and Orchard Pruning party. Members only. Join at:

<http://www.apfqa.org/membership/>

Thursday, May 14

Wildflower Garden Club Meeting: ABG Wildflower Trail Maintenance. 10:00 am - 12:00 pm at Alaska Botanical Gardens, 4601 Campbell Airstrip Road, Anchorage. Details at: <http://alaskabg.org/>.

Monday, May 18

Anchorage AMGA Meeting: Growing Blueberries in Southcentral Alaska. 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm at Cooperative Extension Service, 1675 C Street, Anchorage. Details at: <http://www.alaskamastergardeners.org/>.

Tuesday, May 19

Anchorage Museum: Alaska Arbor Day: Society of American Foresters Share Knowledge of Forestry in Urban and Natural Settings, Outside, Rain or Shine. 4:00pm - 6:00 pm. Anchorage Museum 625 C Street, Anchorage. Details at: <https://www.anchoragemuseum.org/exhibits-events/calendar/details/?id=20804>.

Saturday, May 23

Alaska Public Gardens Day: Join Alaska Botanical Garden to celebrate the Alaska's public gardens day with a free day at the Garden, 4601 Campbell Airstrip Road, Anchorage. Details at: <http://alaskabg.org/>.

Tuesday, May 26

Alaska Orchid Society Monthly Meeting: Sphagnum Moss by Dr. Marilyn Barker. 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm at the BP Center at Old Seward Hy and Benson Blvd. Details at: <http://www.akorchid.org>.

Thursday, May 28

Willow Garden Club: Learn to Plant, Care for, and Prune a Tree followed by a Discussion of Hardy Trees and Shrubs in Southcentral Alaska by Patricia Joyner. 1:30 pm at Willow Library Garden. Details at: <http://willowgardenclub.blogspot.com/>.

PLANT SALES

Wednesday, May 6

King Career Center Plant Sale. 9:00 am - 4:00 pm at 2650 E Northern Lights Blvd, Anchorage. Call 743-8916 for information.

Saturday, May 16

**Society of American Foresters Cook Inlet Chapter Annual Arbor Tree Seeding Sale. 9:00 am - Noon at REI in Anchorage and at Sportsman's Warehouse, Wasilla. Order and Prepay at: <http://www.forestry.org/alaska/treesale/?year=2015&month=5#1>.

**Alaska Rock Garden Society Plant Sale. 9:00 am - 4:00 pm at Snowfire Gardens, 3379 Inlet Vista Circle, Wasilla.

Tuesday - Friday, May 19 - 22

Hiland Correctional Facility Plant and Craft Sale. 9:00 am - 6:00 pm at Parking Lot, 9101 Hesterberg Road, Eagle River.

Friday - Saturday, May 22 - 23

Meadow Lake Bloomers Garden Club Plant Sale. Friday 10:00 am - 6:00 pm, Saturday 9:00 - 6:00 pm at Meadow Lakes Community Center, Parks and Pittman, Wasilla.

Saturday, May 23

**Valley Garden Club Annual Plant Sale. 9:00 am - 3:00 pm at Boys and Girls Club, Bogard Road, Palmer.

** Alaska Rock Garden Society and Alaska Botanical Garden Plant Sales. 10:00 am - 4:00 pm at Alaska Botanical Garden, 4601 Campbell Airstrip Road, Anchorage. ABG members only preview 9:00 am - 10:00 pm. Details at: <http://alaskabg.org/>.

**MatSu Master Gardeners Annual Plant Sale. 9:00 - 3:00pm at Palmer Pavilion across from the Palmer Visitor's Center.

Saturday, May 30

**Wildflower Garden Club Plant Sale. 9:00 am - 4:00 pm at 7435 Old Harbor Road, Anchorage.

**Anchorage Senior Center Plant Sale. 10:00 am - 3:00 pm at 1300 East 19th Avenue, Anchorage. If you wish to donate plants for the sale drop them off on May 28th by 1:00pm. Make sure to include an identification label. Outside plants may be dropped off along the north side of the shop, house plants can be brought inside. If you need help transporting plants or want to volunteer to help at the event, contact Pete Weimer at 907-562-5647 by Thursday the 28th.

Saturday, June 6

**Anchorage Garden Club Plant Sale. 9:00 am - 5:00 pm at 3734 W 35th Avenue, Anchorage.

**Central Peninsula Garden Club Plant Sale. 10:00 am. Church parking lot, corner of Kenai Spur and Princess Rd, Kenai.

**Homer Garden Club Plant Sale. 11:00 am at the Chamber of Commerce Parking Lot, Homer.

CLASSES and WORKSHOPS

Saturdays, May 2 - May 16

Alaska Mill and Feed Spring Classes: 10:00 am at 1501 East First Avenue. Classes are free. Reservations are required. Register at: <http://www.alaskamillandfeed.com/#levents/>.

May 2: Organic Veggie Gardening and Growing by Ellen Vande Visse

May 9: Basic Garden Design by Marge Olson, Master Gardener

May 16: Anchorage Centennial Celebration Gardens

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Monday, May 4

Mat-Su Cooperative Extension Service: Chicken University. 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm at Kerttula Hall, Room 208, 1509 S. Georgeson Rd, Palmer.

<http://www.uaf.edu/ces/matsu>.

Tuesday, May 5

**UAA Continuing Education: Container Gardening for Patios, Decks and Balconies by Paul Marmora, Master Gardener. 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm at 707 A Street, Rm 210. Cost 69. Register at www.uaa.alaska.edu/continuinged,

** Mat-Su Cooperative Extension Service: Introduction to Alaska Vegetable Gardening. 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm at Kerttula Hall, Room 208, 1509 S. Georgeson Rd, Palmer. <http://www.uaf.edu/ces/matsu>.

Tuesdays and Thursdays, May 5 - 19

AK Division of Forestry Tree Stewardship Class. 5:45 pm - 9:00 pm at UAF Cooperative Extension Office, 724 25th Avenue, Fairbanks. Cost: \$25. Details at: <http://forestry.alaska.gov/community/news.htm>,

Wednesdays, May 6 to June 3

Local Wildflower Class: Learn about Local Plants, Identification and Uses by Verna Pratt and Dr. Marilyn Barker. Either 10:00 am to 1:00 pm or 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Cost: \$110 with \$20 cancellation fee. For more information call ABG at 770-3692. Register online at:

<http://www.eventbrite.com/e/local-wildflower-class-tickets-15659521049/>.

Wednesdays, May 6

**Anchorage Cooperative Extension Service: Urban Farming: Explore information and tools for urban agriculture. 4:00 - 6:00 pm at 1675 C Street. \$10 per class or sign up for all 8 for \$50. Details and registration at: <http://bit.ly/1tmJpIp/>.

Classes in May:

May 6: Preserving and Transforming Food with Fermentation.

Wednesday, May 6

Vegetable Varieties for Four Valleys. 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm at Scott and Wesley Gerrish Branch Library. 250 Egloff Drive, Girdwood. Register at the library: 343-4024.

Thursday, May 7

Green Thumb Gardening Series: A Beginners Approach to Starting Seeds Indoors: Starting Mixes, Easy to Grow Plants, Care and Hardening Off. For Adults and Children Age 6+ with Parents. 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm at Selkregg Chalet/Russian Jack Springs Park, 1600 Lidia Selkregg Lane, Anchorage. Cost: \$5. For information call 343-6992 or 343-4217. Register online at: www.muni.org/Active.

Tuesday, May 12

Green Thumb Gardening Series: Container Gardening: Learn How to Turn Your Balcony or Patio into An Urban Garden. For Adults and Children Age 6+ with Parents. 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm at Selkregg Chalet/Russian Jack Springs Park, 1600 Lidia Selkregg Lane, Anchorage. Cost: \$5. For information call 343-6992 or 343-4217. Register online at: www.muni.org/Active.

Thursday, May 14

Green Thumb Gardening Series: Raised Bed Gardening: Add A Whole New Dimension to Your Gardens. For Adults and Children Age 6+ with Parents. 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm at Selkregg Chalet/Russian Jack Springs Park, 1600 Lidia Selkregg Lane, Anchorage. Cost: \$5. For information call 343-6992 or 343-4217. Register online at: www.muni.org/Active.

Monday, May 18

Mat-Su Cooperative Extension Service: Alaska Lawn Care. 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm at Kerttula Hall, Room 208, 1509 S. Georgeson Rd, Palmer.

<http://www.uaf.edu/ces/matsu>.

Tuesday, May 19

Reforest the Park: Plant Trees in Honor of the Lomax. Pot Seedling Trees, Then Adopt The Trees for the Summer and Plant The Seedlings on August 11. 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm at Selkregg Chalet/Russian Jack Springs Park, 1600 Lidia Selkregg Lane, Anchorage. For information call 343-6992 or 343-4217. Register online at: www.muni.org/Active.

Wednesday, May 20

**Mat-Su Cooperative Extension Service: Soil Science and Fertilizers. 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm at Kerttula Hall, Room 208, 1509 S. Georgeson Rd, Palmer. <http://www.uaf.edu/ces/matsu>.

**Green Thumb Gardening Series: Composting 101: The How, What and Why of Composting in Alaska. For Adults and Children Age 8+ with Parents. 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm at Selkregg Chalet/Russian Jack Springs Park, 1600 Lidia Selkregg Lane, Anchorage. Cost: \$5. For information call 343-6992 or 343-4217. Register online at: www.muni.org/Active.