Lunchtime garden lecture series begins June 1

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Fairbanks, Alaska—The UAF Cooperative Extension Service will host a summertime brown-bag lecture series on gardening topics that begins June 1.

Members of the Fairbanks community are invited to bring their lunches and their questions to the series Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 12:10-12:50 p.m. in Room 158 of the University Park Building at 1000 University Ave. The series will feature Extension agents and staff, master gardeners, representatives from the Fairbanks Soil and Water Conservation District and other special guests. The series will also include tours of the UAF Facilities Services greenhouse and of the Georgeson Botanical Garden.

Registration is requested. For more information or to register, please contact Taylor Maida, at 474-2422 or temaida@alaska.edu. The class topics and instructors are listed below.

June 1: Soil testing, George Hitz
June 3: Making your own earth box, Trusten Peery
June 6: Beginning vegetable gardening, Emily Reiter
June 8: Raised bed gardening, Steve and Lisa Neumuth
June 10: Worm composting in a tote, Taylor Maida
June 13: Using a broadfork and other organic gardening methods, Linda Schandelmeier
June 15: Beekeeping in Alaska, Steve Peterson
June 17: Invasive weeds, Darcy Etcheverry
June 20: Tour of the UAF Facilities Services greenhouse off Alumni Drive (meet at greenhouse)
June 22: Tips for containers and hanging baskets, Heidi Rader
June 24: Compost tea, Taylor Maida
June 27: Common garden pests, Taylor Maida
June 29: Beneficial insects, Taylor Maida
July 8: Berry antioxidants, Roxie Dinstel
July 11: Getting started composting, Emily Reiter
July 13: Growing and cooking raspberries, Marsha Munsell
July 15: Preserving your harvest, Roxie Dinstel
July 18: Perennial garden, Emily Reiter
July 20: Tour of the Georgeson Botanical Garden, Katie DiCristina (meet at garden)