

ISU Scott County Extension Gardening Series

Brought to you by the ISU Scott County Extension Master Gardeners.

Classes are held in the Cyclone Room at the Scott County Extension Office at 875 Tanglefoot Lane in Bettendorf. A nominal \$5 fee is charged and refreshments will be provided. Please register for classes by calling the Extension Office at 563-359-7577 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Classes are 1-2 hours in length. For directions to the office and information on other Scott County Extension programs, visit <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/scott/>.

Starting Seeds and Plant Propagation – Looking to expand the number or type of plants you grow, or desiring an early start to your gardening season? Join ISU Scott County Extension Master Gardener Tom Dywiak who will demonstrate methods of successfully starting seed and propagating plants. March 25, Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.

Butterflies and Hummingbird Gardens – Learn about these airborne visitors to your garden and how to attract them. Join ISU Scott County Extension Master Gardener Ray Wolf who will describe the plants that attract butterflies and hummingbirds, as well as discuss these winged visitors. April 7, Monday, 7:00 p.m.

Emerald Ash Borer – Pizza & the Pest - Join ISU Scott County Extension for an evening with two exotic introductions to North America. The first we are all familiar with, pizza! The extent of our dealings with that Neopolitan introduction to our shores will be to have it available for your dining pleasure.

The second exotic introduction and one many of us have questions about is the Emerald Ash Borer. Join Dr Mark Shour, Entomologist at Iowa State University, at a session that will provide an update on the national distribution of the emerald ash borer, ideas on what citizens can be doing to prepare for this insect, and demonstrate the bark peeling technique used to look for EAB in Iowa.

April 15, Tuesday. 5:30 -8:00 PM Cost: \$5.00 Registration: Call ISU Scott County Extension 359-7577 by April 11th

Shade Gardening – ISU Scott County Extension Master Gardener Jackie Arvidson will discuss plant options for those shady spots in your yard beyond the traditional hostas. April 21, Monday, 7:00 p.m.

Container Gardening – Need a planting to fill a space on your deck or patio, have a niche just perfect for a hanging basket, or limited in how much room you have to garden? If so, join ISU Scott County Extension Master Gardener Laurie Elliott who will demonstrate how to create attractive containers to fill those spaces. April 28, Monday, 7:00 p.m.