

ESL Tutor Training

INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN ESL TUTOR?

February 24 and 25

The Alexandria Adult Basic Education Program will be hosting FREE comprehensive training for those interested in teaching conversation, reading, and writing skills to adult learners whose first language is not English. This comprehensive, interactive nine hour training, if supplemented by three additional hours of **on-site training (for January 31 from 6 – 9 pm)** will qualify participants for official certification as ESL tutors from the Minnesota Literacy Council. Class size is limited. Please call 320-762-3312 ext 4283 to register.

This 9-hour training will take place on
Friday February 24 from 6 – 9 pm
Saturday February 25 from 9 am – 3:30pm.
 Training will be held at 204 Hwy 27 W
 Room 907 in Alexandria.

21st Century Computer Skills

Are you interested in developing the skills necessary for today's workforce? Then this class is for you.

This course consists of 16 hours of instruction. The first four hours will be face-to-face instructor-facilitated and the remaining 12 hours will take place on line and involve a combination of on line discussions, course research and independent study.

Specific topics: prepare yourself for on line learning (without the pressure of earning a grade); create or polish your resume; learn how to be creative in business; conduct research on the internet.

Wednesday, February 29, 2012

10:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Fee: No charge and lunch will be provided

Instructor: Joan Gilbertson, Alexandria Technical & Community College

Location: Morris Elementary School - ECFE Parent Ed. Room

This course is being offered in cooperation with Alexandria Technical & Community College. MnSCU is a project partner in the Minnesota Intelligent Rural Communities initiative, a Blandin Foundation-administered project funded in large part through an American Recovery and Reinvestment Act grant. and at no charge to you because it is grant funded.

Free Computer Classes

Do you want to use a computer, but don't know where to start? We can help.

Learn how to:

- Use the mouse and keyboard
- Navigate the computer screen
- Use the Microsoft Windows operating system
- Start up and shut down the computer correctly
- Use the Internet and web browsers
- And so much more!!!

Morris Area Community Education
Adult Basic Education program is offering
on-going daytime classes
every Wednesday 2:00-4:00 PM
through the month of January
You must register by January 4th
Call us for more information -- 320-589-4394

Laptop Computers Available for check-out to Businesses and Community Organizations

Does your business or organization have a meeting or training coming up where the use of laptop computers is needed but you just don't have enough computers for everyone? Morris Area Community Education has eight laptop computers available for short term use to businesses and community groups. A small rental fee will be assessed. Please call Cindy at 320-585-2226 for specific details and procedures for checking out these computers.

These computers and the Mobile Lab were made possible through a Broadband Technical Opportunities Program (BTOP) grant from the US Department of Commerce, under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, to the C.K. Blandin Foundation and the Stevens County Economic Improvement Commission, Inc. (SCEIC).



Gluten Free Cooking

Grade 11-Adult

Want to learn about a gluten free diet? Come on in to an FCCLA sponsored class. We will talk about Gluten Free diets, recipe changes to make every day recipes gluten free, and even make a gluten free snack.

**1 Session—\$12.00—Course No. 2231
Sat., Jan. 14, 10:00 am, HS FACS Rm #71**

(A portion of class proceeds will go to the FCCLA program.)

Egg Rolls



Grades K-6 with accompanying parent/guardian & Grades 7-Adult

Have you ever wanted to learn how to make your own egg rolls? It is not as difficult as you think! We will demonstrate how to make egg rolls and then you will get a chance to try. This is a hands on cooking class. Grades K-6 with accompanying parent/guardian and grades 7 through Adult are welcome to attend. Supplies will be provided.

**1 Session—Tuesday, March 6—6:30-8:00 P.M.
HS Home Ec. Room**

Grade 7 through Adult
\$8/per person—Course No. 2228

Grades K-6 with parent
\$12/per 1 child/parent—Course No. 2228a

Additional child with parent/child combination
\$4/per additional child—Course No. 2228b

Knit It Right

Pieranna Garavaso



Learning to knit is easy and fun! You will learn how to knit, purl, cast on/off, and increase/decrease. By the time you leave you will have made your own washcloth and scarf!

The first two sessions are for beginner and the last session is for the more intermediate knitter. Children are welcome to attend with parents (must be over 12 to attend without parent).

All classes meet in the ECFE Parent Ed. Room.

Session 1: Sat., January 28, 10-11:30 am

Washcloth: You will need to bring 1 set of size 7 needles and 1 skein of pearl and cream cotton yarn.

COST: \$10.00 Course No. 2071

Session 2: Sat., February 4, 10-11:30 am

Scarf: You will need to bring 1 set of needles and 2-3 skeins of your favorite yarn.

COST: \$10.00 Course No. 2072

Session 3: Sat., February 11, 10-11:30 am

Hard to Read Patterns: Do you have a larger project that you would like to do? Bring your supplies and patterns and you will receive some tips, tricks, and help!

COST: \$10.00 Course No. 2073

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the Morris

Concert Hall

Monday, February 6, 2012

Be watching for more information!

ADULT TRIP - ADULT TRIP - ADULT TRIP

**It's a Whole
New Show!**

The 4th All New Musical

Wednesday, April 18, 2012

It's 1960 and Beverly gets her first pair of high heels for confirmation; Pastor announces his impending nuptials; Mrs. Snystad and Mrs. Gilmer plan a food booth at the County Fair to raise money; and Mrs. Engelson embarks on a spontaneous driving lesson. Through it all these "bulwarks never failing" stand strong in their faith and in their friendships. With more crazy antics, more great new songs, and more lessons reluctantly learned, the Church Basement Ladies are at it again in their new musical comedy, *A MIGHTY FORTRESS (Is Our Basement)*.

We will stop for a light lunch on the way down and supper on the way home, with both meals being on your own. Fee includes motorcoach and admission to the 1:00 show.

MOTORCOACH DEPARTS: 8:15 a.m.

Morris High School Parking Lot

RETURN TIME: Approx. 7:00 p.m.

COST: \$47.00 COURSE NO. 4102

Registration Deadline is March 23, 2012

(No refunds after this date, unless trip is cancelled.)

FLORAL DESIGN



SANDY THORSTAD

Learn from a professional how to design your own floral arrangement whether fresh or silk. This course gives you a good base from which to branch out into more creative designs. It is a hands-on class. You take home what you have made. A material fee will be collected the day of class.

**1 session - \$15 (additional supply fee payable at class)
Tues., January 31, 7:00-9:00 pm COURSE NO. 2457**



Arranging Planters with Fresh Flowers and Greenery

A beautiful planter will add interest and beauty to your landscape. Create a bright spot on your porch with a large pot full of colorful, blooming flowers and greenery. Position a container filled with blossoming plants in a corner of the patio or on the garden deck. You will get tips on color coordination, nutrition and soil for your plants, and more. Come learn and take home what you create. Bring your own planter or you can purchase one at class. A supply fee for flowers and/or greenery will be collected the day of class.

**1 session - \$5 (additional supply fee payable at class)
Saturday, May 19, 9:00-11:00 am COURSE NO. 2458
Northern Impressions Floral & Garden Center**



Couples Dancing - Four Dances That Own the Floor

Marilyn Syverson

Want to dance the night away? Got a wedding coming up? Always wished you could be more relaxed on the dance floor? Can't tell a polka from a waltz? This is the class for you. It covers basic rhythm patterns and foot work for four very popular dance styles. You will learn how to work with your partner on turns and arm figures for the Polka, Old Time Waltz, Schottische, and Swing. Marilyn has been teaching dance classes for 51 years and enjoys teaching and sharing her love for dancing with others.

Please sign up with a partner. Fee is for partners.

4 Sessions - \$36/couple - Course No. 3322

Tuesdays, March 20-April 10, 7:45-9:00 pm, Morris High School Practice Gym



Basics of Using an IPOD/iPAD

Wendy Van Batavia

Do you have an iPad/iPad and want to learn more about it? The purpose of this session is to review the basics of an iPad, how to search for apps, and review apps for educational purposes. The iPad is a useful tool for personal and professional organization, entertainment, and education.

1 Session—\$5.00
Course No. 1220
Tuesday, April 3, 7-8 pm
Community Education Parent Ed. Room

Dog Obedience Level 1

Heather Quiram



This class is for any dog 8 weeks old and older. Proof of rabies vaccination must be brought to the first class. Students should bring a collar, 6-foot leash, paper towels and baggies to clean up any messes, and plenty of soft dog treats. The basic beginning obedience exercises will be taught (e.g., heel, sit, stay, down, recall). **There will be an informational meeting (without dogs) for everyone on Monday, April 2 at 6:30 pm in the High School Practice Gym. We will go over class information and answer questions.** This class is open to both youth (must be at least 10 years old and accompanied by a parent) and adults.

Instructor has had some training as a vet tech and shares a great love for dogs and their skill development. Class size is limited.

7 Sessions - \$45 Course No. 2401
Mondays, April 2-May 21 (no class April 9), 6:30-7:30 pm,
High School Practice Gym



Dog Obedience Level 2

Heather Quiram

Level 2 extends the training from Level 1. More commands are added and if weather permits there will be outside work. Prerequisite: completion of our Beginner class. Instructor has had some training as a vet tech and shares a great love for dogs and their skill development. **There will be an informational meeting (without dogs) for everyone on Tuesday, April 3 at 6:30 pm in the High School Practice Gym. We will go over class information and answer questions.** Class size is limited.

7 Sessions - \$45 Course No. 2402
Tuesdays, April 3-May 15, 6:30-7:30 pm, High School Practice Gym

Exploring the Korean Culture

Youngsin Je, Instructor



Many of you may remember the Korean War. After the war, South Korea was left in ruins. However, in the following six decades, many Korean brands such as Samsung, Hyundai and LG have become popular brands all around the world. The successful economic growth of South Korea can be partially explained from Korea's rich five thousand years history, and many interesting and wonderful traditions.

This class is designed to raise awareness about Korea's interesting cultural facts. Participants will be introduced to the "Aesthetics of Korea" such as Hanok (traditionally built Korean house), Hansik (Korean-style food), Hangeul (Korean language), Hanbok (traditional Korean clothes), Hanji (Korean paper) and Korean folklore music and traditional dance. These experiences will allow audience to gain an in-depth understanding and acquire new knowledge and experiences about one of the world's vibrant cultures. There will also be an opportunity to sample Korean foods!

★ About the Instructor -- Youngsin Je lives in Morris and her hometown is Seoul, South Korea.

2 sessions: Mon., Feb. 13 & 27 (No class Feb. 20), Course No. 2630, Cost: \$15 (Includes Food Sampling)
Time: 7:00-8:00 pm, Location: Morris Elementary Cafeteria