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San Miguel Basin Extension Local Programs

We Welcome You to Our Update!

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We look forward to seeing you at classes this summer!

We Invite you to Class #2 in the hands-on series "Gardening Through the Season"

Saturday, June 3, 10 am till noon

@ the Norwood Community Garden,

Between Mesa & Summit Streets

We will be learning by doing—planting warm-season crops (tomatoes different ways and direct seeding squash) and performing timely garden tasks like thinning, weeding (with weed ID), fertilizing, etc.

Each class is free for Norwood Community Garden members and \$10 for non-members, OR Non-members can get in free in exchange for 1 hour volunteer time in the garden.

Our next Native Plant Education Field Course is Thunder Trails!

Thunder Trails is in the Montane zone of the Uncompaghre National Forest south of Norwood. It has ponderosa pine forests, open meadows and rocky outcrops with many beautiful native plants.

*June 9th, 9 am till 3 pm *June 23, 9am till 3pm

Each class is slightly different, with different plants. In the first class we will cover plants in bloom and in the second class we will cover new plants in bloom as well as seeds.

Both classes taken together work towards Colorado Native Plant Master Certification. For more information on Certification

Earn a Colorado Flora Certificate Metro to Mountain NPM (colostate.edu)



Each class is \$25. For certification, both classes taken together are \$90. Class size is limited to 10. Please RSVP & Pay in advance to hold your spot.

RSVP <u>maryw@sanmiguelcountyco.gov</u> or call @ 970-327-4393.

More great classes to come!

A Saturday in July, Norwood Community
Garden (current issues, troubleshooting;
prepping for harvest)

A Saturday in September, Norwood Community Garden (current issues, troubleshooting, prepping for harvest)

July 27, Calico Trail Native Plant Class

Late August/early September
"Native Fruits of Summer and Fall"
(edible wild fruits and nuts, responsible
foraging and uses)

WE HAVE SEED POTATOES!



Jerry Garcia-Purple skin with white & purple flesh, this tie dye potato is a fan favorite.

Yellow Potatoes-A small potato, high yielding but very uniform in size; thrives in lower fertility conditions.





Jelly Bean- Fingling-type with red skin & yellow flesh, easy to grow.

Russet Potatoes-Great skin & very uniform shape.





Masquerade –
A bi-color skin potato with yellow flesh, "the most flavorful potato on the market"

We also have cabbage seedlings!

First Come, First Serve.

Drop by the CSU Extension Office in Norwood or call 970-327-4393 THE SMB REGIONAL SEED LIBRARY

It recently came to our attention that some of the seed envelopes in the San Miguel Basin Regional Seed Library distributed at the Norwood, Naturita and Telluride Libraries only contained a few seeds or even no seeds at all! We apologize for that! Who wants to only grow 5 radish plants, right!? If that happened to you, please let us know! We will be happy to give you more seeds!!!

The purpose of the San Miguel Regional Seed Library is:

- 1. To provide seeds of plants that do well in our area
- 2. To grow more seed savers and a source of regionally adapted seed, donated by local seed savers.

It is not required that you donate seed to the seed library to get seeds, but it would be great if you did! See our Seed Library brochure for other information on our Website.

We have all you need to help you save seeds successfully, just get in touch!

Check out our Website Address:

https://sanmiguel.extension.colostate.edu/

"NEW" SMB 4-H Instagram Page





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