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House-Garden Insect Course Slated

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A course designed to provide a background in the recognition and life history of commonly-encountered Minnesota insects will be offered during the first summer session at the University of Minnesota's Twin Cities Campus.

"House and Garden Insects," Entomology 5-022, will include guest lecturers and short field trips. This course is not recommended for persons with previous courses in entomology. Registration will be from Wednesday (May 24) to June 6th.

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Cankerworms Spotted Here

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Cankerworms have been spotted in the Twin Cities area this spring. Soon after tree leaves begin to open, they can be attacked by cankerworms. By the end of May the leaves appear lacy.

Heavily infested trees may be completely defoliated, but usually the leaves grow back in two or three weeks after the worms stop feeding.

For information on controlling cankerworms, get Entomology Fact Sheet 21 from your county extension office or the Bulletin Room, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101.

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Control Crabgrass Before It Appears

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For the best and easiest control of annual grassy weeds such as crabgrass, apply the weed killer before the seeds germinate. University of Minnesota extension specialists say this is generally before Memorial Day.

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Spray For Charlie

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Spray a combination of 2, 4-D and Silvex to control Creeping Ivy, commonly called Creeping Charlie, Creeping Jenny or Ground Ivy.

This low growing perennial weed predominantly appears in most shady areas of the lawn. The four-sided stem grows 15 to 30 inches long with roots forming at the lateral nodes or joints.

The small round geranium-like leaves bear purple to blue flower clusters in early spring. The crushed stems and leaves have a minty odor.

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Know About Trees

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Know the hardiness, color and time of bloom, foliage and twig texture among other things before selecting a tree for your landscape.

A plant list has been prepared by University of Minnesota specialists to assist in the selection of the right trees, shrubs and vines for your planting. Get Extension Bulletin 267 and Horticulture Fact Sheet 22-1970 from your county extension office or the Bulletin Room at the University's St. Paul Campus.

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Prune In Late May

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Evergreens that grow continuously through the summer, such as junipers, arborvitae, yews and hemlock, can be pruned in late May. Further light pruning can be done on these trees throughout the growing season.

For more information, get Extension Bulletin 258 from your county extension office or the Bulletin Room at the University's St. Paul Campus.

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