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A new addition for 2014 is a supplemental Field Scouting Basics class held in May at the Field Extension Education Laboratory. Attendees of the March school will receive discounted registration for the field session in May. Registration for the May session will open following the Scout School.

“Consider the March school the three credit foundation course and the May class the one credit lab session,” according to Stuart McCulloh, Extension program specialist and school coordinator. “The agenda will be geared toward feedback from the March school as well as a needs assessment quiz to start the May session. Together the two sessions form a comprehensive package.”

The Field Crop Scout School will be held Saturday, March 8, in the Scheman Continuing Education Building, Iowa State Center, in Ames. Registration opens at 7:30 a.m. with sessions beginning at 8 a.m. and ending at 4:45 p.m. Registration is limited to 150 participants and pre-registration is required to attend.

The cost is $100. Registration must be completed by midnight, February 28. Registrations will not be accepted at the door for this program. The fees cover field guides and course handouts, lunch and breaks. Online registration (VISA, MasterCard or Discover) at www.aep.iastate.edu/scout. For more information, call (515) 509-8308 or email smac@iastate.edu.

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