

## COURSE INFORMATION

### *BEFORE YOU TIE THE KNOT*

This is a premarital class that provides a certificate worth \$32.50 reduction of the fee for a marriage license obtained in Alachua County. The program consists of two workshops, each lasting 2 hours. Participants must attend both sessions to receive a certificate of completion.

These Extension workshops fulfill the requirements of Florida Statute 741, Marriage Preparation and Preservation Act, and have been approved by the Circuit Court of Alachua County.

Registration is due no later than one week prior to class. A minimum of three couples must be registered or class will be cancelled. Please call (352)337-6209 (voicemail) to register. For more information, call (352)955-2402 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

#### 2009 Class Schedule

Classes are from 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

<u>Class Date:</u>	<u>Register by:</u>
July 13 & 14	July 6
September 28 & 29	September 21
November 16 & 23	November 16

## GENERAL COURSE INFORMATION

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Covers the following:

- ♥ Communication
- ♥ Conflict Management & Resolution
- ♥ Financial Responsibility & Spending Plans
- ♥ Children & Parenting Responsibilities



- ♥ Completion of this course is required to receive a \$32.50 reduction of marriage license fee and a waiver of the three day waiting period.
- ♥ It is your responsibility to reschedule should you miss the class.
- ♥ You will receive a certificate of completion and a copy for you to take to the Clerk of the Court.

## BEFORE YOU TIE THE KNOT REGISTRATION FORM

Groom's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Bride's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address Preferred:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Projected Date of Marriage: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check the age category of engaged couple:

\_\_\_\_\_ UNDER 50      \_\_\_\_\_ OVER 50

Presently there is no cost for this course.

Mail Registration to:

**Alachua County Extension Service  
2800 NE 39<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Gainesville, FL 32609**

Preferred Date To Attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate Date To Attend: \_\_\_\_\_

(A Confirmation Letter Will Be Mailed To You.)



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For persons requiring special accommodations, please contact Brenda Williams at (352)955-2402 or TDD/TYY (352)955-2406 at least five working days prior to the program so that proper consideration may be given to the request.

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***BEFORE YOU TIE THE KNOT*** is an educational program offering constructive guidance to couples as they begin life as a married couple. The program is designed to help you understand that it takes both partners working together to make a marriage successful. How well you handle your own emotions and relate to your partner's emotions and needs will determine how well you will adjust to being married.

The challenge of creating a good marriage is a great one. This class will guide you through the process. It will help you to make choices and decisions about how you can make your marriage a happy, lasting one.



**ATTENDEES PLEASE NOTE:**

- ◆ Do not arrive late!
- ◆ This program is intended for couples only.
- ◆ Children are NOT permitted in the class. Please do not bring them. NO exceptions.

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***Premarital Preparation***



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