

March 2024 Around Town Calendar

Local Garden Clubs

Friday, March 8: Meeting of A&M Garden Club. 9:30 a.m. Peace Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall, 2101 Rio Grande Blvd., C.S. Jaelynn Solomon, Urban Rubbish Free Spirited Floristry, will talk about **Seasonal Garden Style Floral Arrangements**. Details: <https://amgardenclub.com/>

Tuesday, March 12: Meeting of **the BCS Rose Society**. Noon. Details: 979 680 8046 for program information and directions to meeting.

Wednesday, March 13: Meeting of **Rio Brazos Audubon Society**. 6:30 p.m. -8:00 p.m. Brazos Valley Museum of Natural History, 3232 Briarcrest Drive, Bryan. **Smily Flores** will talk about the **“Mummies of Peru.”** Details: <https://riobrazosaudubon.org/>

Tuesday, March 19: Meeting of the **Texas A&M University Women’s Club Garden Interest Group (GIG)**. 9:30 a.m. George Bush Presidential Library education room, 1000 George Bush Dr W, C.S. **Gary Cooper**, owner of San Jacinto Environmental Supplies and TAMU Landscape Architecture graduate will share his wisdom on the art of working smarter by **harnessing the power of organic fertilizers and soil biology**. Public invited. Details: tamugig@gmail.com

Tuesday, March 26: Meeting of the **Brazos County Master Gardener Association**. 7:00 p.m. 4153 County Park Court, Bryan. John Nielsen-Gammon, State Climatologist, will talk about Climate Change Effects on Texas Gardening. Public invited. Details: www.brazosmg.com

Recurring Activities

First Friday of Each Month: The streets of **Historic Downtown Bryan** transform into one big stage on the First Friday of each month with live music, performances, art demonstrations, unique and interactive events and **The Farmers’ Market of Brazos County** selling locally grown produce and handmade goods. 5 p.m. – 9 p.m. Details: <https://www.destinationbryan.com/firstfriday/>

Saturday, March 2: Rio Brazos Audubon Society. 8:30 a.m. Gary Halter Nature Center in Lick Creek Park, 13600 East Rock Prairie Rd., C.S. **“Birding 101 Bird Walk.”** This event is an opportunity for new birders to sharpen their birding skills and learn the basics of identifying birds by sight and sound. A walk in Lick Creek Park to look for resident and migrating birds will follow a short talk on field guides, binoculars, etc. Loaner binoculars will be available. Bring water. Repeats the 1st Saturday of each month Details: <https://riobrazosaudubon.org/>

Each Wednesday: Waterful Wednesdays. 7:42 a.m. KAMU-FM 90.9 radio spot with Jennifer Nations, Water Resource Coordinator with the City of College Station, provides information about potable water such as best practices and procedures as well as safety tips. Find past episodes at <https://kamu.tamu.edu/radio/radio-programs/waterful-wednesdays>

Each Thursday: “Garden Success” radio show with Skip Richter, retired Brazos County Extension Agent-Horticulture, TAMU AgriLife Extension Service. noon to 1 p.m. Listen to Skip’s advice on gardening in the

Brazos Valley on KAMU-FM 90.9. Call in garden questions at 979-845-5689 or e-mail: gardensuccess@tamu.edu

Each Wednesday and Friday: Aggie Horticulture Facebook Live Events - Excellent opportunity to view live and recorded short talks on various gardening topics. 1:00 p.m. <https://www.facebook.com/Aggie-Horticulture-26803072143/>. Or <https://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/fblive/>

Each Saturday and Sunday: "GardenLine." Listen to Horticulturist Skip Richter on Gardenline, KTRH 740 AM and learn how to grow a beautiful garden here in the Lone Star State. Questions can be e-mailed to him at gardeningwithskip.com.

Local Farmers' Markets

South Brazos County Farmers' Market - Every Tuesday, noon to 5 p.m. Corner of University and Glenhaven, C.S., across from Scott and White Clinic. Local produce, free-range eggs, herbs, jams, jellies, honey Texas olive oil and more. Details: 281.684.1372 or <https://www.facebook.com/SBCFarmersMarket>

Farm Fridays - 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. 2861 FM 974 "Tabor Road." Farmers' Market offering fresh, locally grown produce, plants, eggs, dog treats, hand knotted blankets, skin care items, gluten free baked goods and more. Details: ronboltonllc@gmail.com or AquaticGreensFarm@gmail.com

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Aggieland Farmer's Market – Saturdays 8 a.m. to noon. Post Oak Mall Parking Lot, 1500 Harvey Road College Station, TX. A new, member-driven farmers' market featuring locally sourced products including baked goods, seasonal vegetables, organic meats, free range eggs, plants, home-made jams, jellies and canned veggies and much, much more. Questions? Call David Wolff, one of the members, at 979 530 3768.

Brazos Valley Farmers' Market - Saturdays 8 a.m. to noon. Downtown Bryan at Main and 21st^d St. Enjoy Texas products grown and made by Texans. Plants; organic meats and free-range eggs; baked goods; local honey, home-made jams, jellies and canned veggies; seasonal vegetables, crafts, live music and much, much more. Details: www.brazosvalleyfarmersmarket.com

Additional Events:

Saturday & Sunday, March 9 & 10: Antique Rose Emporium, 10000 FM 50, Brenham. 2nd Annual Spring Celebration. A weekend of fun in the Nursery & Display Gardens with food trucks, an artesian vendor market, garden presentations and more. The event will run from 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m. on Saturday and 11:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m. on Sunday. Details: www.are.com

Saturday, March 9 and 30: John Fairey Garden Nursery. 20559 F.M. 359 Road, Hempstead, Texas. Open days – an opportunity to tour parts of the garden on a docent lead walk. Reservations required. Details: www.jfaireygardens.org

Extra Activities

Saturday and Sunday, March 2 & 3: 45th Annual B/CS Home and Garden Expo at Legends Event Center in Travis Bryan Midtown Park. Brazos County Master Gardeners will offer a series of 20 minute talks on gardening topics including, on Saturday, Garden Tools; Composting; 3-pt Lawn Maintenance; Lawn Diseases, Pests, and Insects; Mediterranean Gardens; and Edible Landscapes. Sunday's short talks will include Daylilies, Edible Landscapes, Ollas, and Irises. Master Gardeners will have a booth at the expo where visitors may ask a Master Gardener gardening related questions and learn about rain barrels and rain chains. Cost \$5.00 each adult, \$3.00 for seniors and children under 12 are free.

Friday and Saturday, March 15 and 16: Pioneer Unit of the Herb Society will hold its annual **Herbal Forum and plant and gift sale**. Festival Hill, 248 Jaster Road, Round Top. Sale will be held Friday, March 15 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, March 16 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Details: <https://www.herbsocietypioneer.org/events/>

Saturday, March 16: John Fairey Gardens & Nursery, 20559 FM 359 Hempstead. The **Budding Out Plant Sale and Festival** is expanding this year with returning and new vendors, more food options and music. Members have early access and get in for a discounted entry fee of \$5. Non-members admission is \$10. Children 12 and under are free. Members are admitted from 9 to 4. General public is admitted at 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Details: www.jfaireygardens.org

Saturday, March 23: Brazos County Master Gardener Association Annual Plant Sale, parking lot 4153 County Park Court, Bryan. 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Shop for annuals, perennials, vegetables (TOMATOES), herbs and pass-a-long plants, garden treasures from the gardens of Master Gardeners. Come early, don't miss this great opportunity to enrich your garden with beautiful plants. Details: www.brazosmg.com