

May 2024 Around Town Calendar

Special Events

Saturday, May 11: Open Day at the DIG 8:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Demonstration Idea Garden, 2619 Hwy 21 West, Bryan. Brazos County Master Gardeners will be available to talk about rainwater harvesting and how to set up a rain barrel along with demonstrations and information about composting. Master Gardeners will be out and about in the garden and available to answer questions about vegetables, Superstar plants, the pollinator garden, and of course the roses. It is Mother's Day week-end after all! Come out and learn more about how to have a beautiful garden in the Brazos Valley. Details: www.brazosmg.com

Saturday, May 18: Learning at the Library. Mounce Library 201, East 26th St., Bryan. 10 a.m. Brazos County Master Gardener Maureen Reap will present a program on "Daylilies: Dependable Perennial Bloomers." Free and open to the public. Details: www.brazosmg.com

Saturday, May 25: Brazos County Master Gardeners will be at the **Aggieland Farmer's Market – 8 a.m. to noon.** Post Oak Mall Parking Lot, 1500 Harvey Road College Station, TX. Bring your gardening questions to the Masters.

Local Garden Clubs

Wednesday, May 8: Meeting of **Rio Brazos Audubon Society.** 6:30 p.m. -8:00 p.m. Brazos Valley Museum of Natural History, 3232 Briarcrest Drive, Bryan. Rufus Stephens will discuss "Land Stewardship for Birds: A Guide for Central Texas". Details: <https://riobrazosaudubon.org/>

Friday, May 10: Meeting of A&M Garden Club. 9:30 a.m. Peace Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall, 2101 Rio Grande Blvd., C.S. **Spring Potluck and New Officer Installation.** Details: <https://amgardenclub.com/>

Tuesday, May 14: Meeting of the **Texas A&M University Women's Club Garden Interest Group (GIG).** 9:30 a.m. **Brunch and Garden Talk.** Come with your ideas for the next year's garden program topics and speakers and enjoy the company and conversation of your fellow gardeners. Social to be held at the home of Elizabeth Natsios, 4924 Firestone Dr., College Station. Details: tamugig@gmail.com

Tuesday, May 14: Meeting of the **BCS Rose Society.** Noon. Details: 979 680 8046 for program information and directions to meeting.

Thursday, May 16: Gardening with the Masters. Noon to 1 p.m. Demonstration Idea Garden, 2619 W State Hwy 21, Bryan, TX 77803. Master Gardener Sally Ann Hnatiuk will discuss "Growing and Using Herbs." Public invited. Details: www.brazosmg.com

Tuesday, May 24: Meeting of the **Brazos County Master Gardener Association.** 7:00 p.m. 4153 County Park Court, Bryan. Jay White will discuss **Heirloom Bulbs.** 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 May 4: 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. Note: once each month a Brazos County Master

Gardener will be at the market to answer your gardening questions. 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