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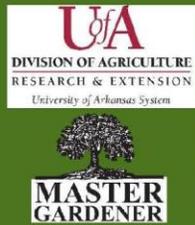
Newsletter

Our Next Meeting:

June

14, 2018

REA - 6:00



You're Invited to the  
Red Dirt Master Gardener's  
**LOCAL TOUR OF GARDENS**

**SATURDAY**  
**JULY 14** 2018

10:00 AM – Home of Judith & Larry White, 2821 Wood Street

11:00 AM – Home of Brenda & Chris Engledowl, 5915 MC 10

12:00 PM – Home of Teresa & Ron Slack, 220 Double L Road

Burgers and Fellowship Following Tour at Lodge of Teresa & Ron Slack

For more information, contact Jennifer Caraway, Miller County Extension Agent-Agriculture at 870-779-3609

Don't miss the Red Dirt Master Gardeners' Local Tour of Gardens, coming July 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. We will be visiting some of our own MGs' beautiful landscapes. Be sure to contact Jennifer ([jcaraway@uaex.edu](mailto:jcaraway@uaex.edu)) or Janet ([jsmallwood@uaex.edu](mailto:jsmallwood@uaex.edu)) to let us know if you plan to attend. You may also call us at 870-779-3609. There will be burgers and fellowship following the tour at the lodge of Teresa & Ron Slack. We need a head count on how many to expect. We hope to see you there!

If you have any questions regarding anything in this newsletter, please feel free to call (870) 779-3609 or visit Room 215 in the Miller Co. Courthouse, 400 Laurel.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Caraway  
County Extension Agent - Agriculture

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## Edible Landscapes Program

By Teresa Slack

The Bowie County Master Gardeners/ Texas A&M in Texarkana will present a program on "Edible Landscapes," Mon., June 11, 2018, at Texas A&M University from 6:00-8:00 pm. The class is free and open to the public.

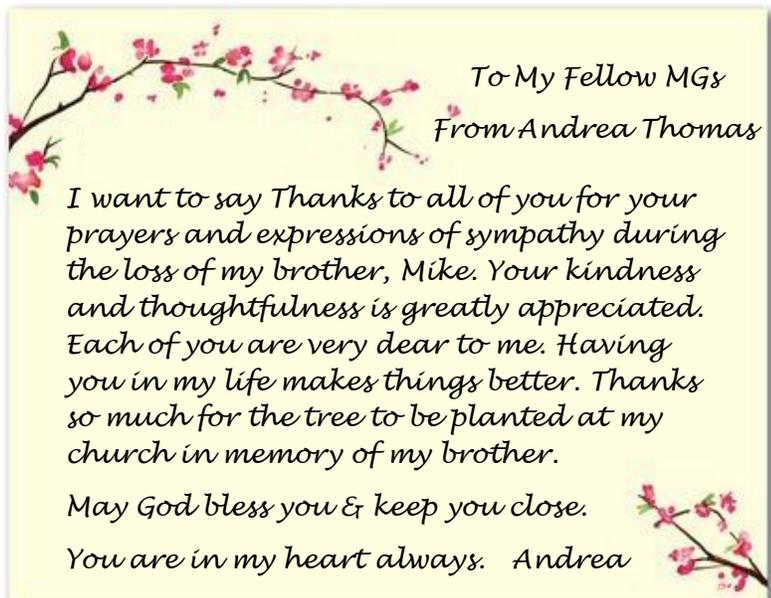
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*To My Fellow MGs  
From Andrea Thomas*

*I want to say Thanks to all of you for your prayers and expressions of sympathy during the loss of my brother, Mike. Your kindness and thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated. Each of you are very dear to me. Having you in my life makes things better. Thanks so much for the tree to be planted at my church in memory of my brother.*

*May God bless you & keep you close.*

*You are in my heart always. Andrea*



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Dial 711 for Arkansas Relay.

# Save the DATE

20<sup>th</sup> Annual Haynesville  
Celebration of Butterflies

September 22, 2018

Butterfly Capital of Louisiana  
Claiborne Parish Fairgrounds  
Haynesville, LA

\$4 for adults  
\$1 for children 6-18  
Children under 6 FREE

Butterfly Run, Parade, Educational Presentations, Antique Tractor Show, Historic Memorabilia, Conservatory Tours, Art Exhibits, Vocal & Dance Groups, Drawing for Quilt, Children's Activities ...  
Website: [www.haynesvillela.org](http://www.haynesvillela.org)

## Edible Landscapes Program

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The class will take place in the Science & Technology Building, Room 306. No reservation is required to attend.

The program will be presented by Texas Master Gardener Aaron Corbin, current President of the Bowie Co. Master Gardeners.

The edible landscape concept has explored its many options and variations for more than 40 years. Landscape designers know most edible plants are beautiful and that homeowners could grow a meaningful amount of food in their yards.

Aaron will be sharing how to have a beautiful yard that could include blueberries that are decorative year-round – or pear and plum trees that put on a spring show of flowers, have decorative fruits, and yellow fall foliage. These plants aren't just pretty, they provide scrumptious fruit and can save you money.

## Calendar of Events

**June 11<sup>th</sup>** – Edible Landscapes Program, Texas A&M University, Texarkana

**June 14<sup>th</sup>** – MG Monthly Meeting – 6:00 PM – REA

**June 15<sup>th</sup>** – Deadline to submit a photo for the 2019 Gardening In AR Calendar Contest. Send entries to Mike at [mwilbanks3@gmail.com](mailto:mwilbanks3@gmail.com)

**June 17<sup>th</sup>** – Happy Fathers' Day

**June 18<sup>th</sup>** – Propagation Workshop at Garvan Gardens SOLD OUT

**June 21<sup>st</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>** – Advanced MG Class Heirloom Tomatoes, hosted by Drew Co. MG Program, Monticello

**June 25<sup>th</sup>** – MG Monday via Zoom – 9:30-10:30 a.m.

**June 25<sup>th</sup>** – Info for July's Newsletter due to Janet – [ismallwood@uaex.edu](mailto:ismallwood@uaex.edu)

### Collins Center Program

Judith White presented a PowerPoint presentation June 5<sup>th</sup> to the Collins Center on Shade and Sun Plants & discussed benefits and challenges of each. She explained how to grow these plants & about the medium to use, fertilizer and whether they were annuals or perennials. The group was very attentive, but small – 8 attendees. Judith also drew names for door prizes, small plants, which were enthusiastically accepted! She made a birdfeeder out of glass works which was beautiful and drew a winner as well. Supporting MGs in attendance were: Willene Akin, Sandra Bell, Jan Lavender and Jane Richards.

## Oklahoma Trip with Janet Carson



Since our Mississippi bus trip was such a success, we are rolling out a new trip this fall to Oklahoma. The trip is scheduled for **October 18<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018**.

This time we have included all meals except the first night's dinner. We are shifting our schedule a bit to accommodate football schedules and campus staff schedules.

We are packing a lot in, in a short while, so don't expect much down time, but do expect a lot of learning, laughs and new ideas. Space is limited to 42 people and it is first come/first serve.

### Included Features:

- ◆ 55 Passenger 2015 Model Motorcoach
- ◆ Two nights hotel in downtown Tulsa, OK, including breakfast
- ◆ One night hotel in Stillwater, OK, including breakfast
- ◆ Lunch at Honor Heights Park, Muskogee, OK – before arriving in Tulsa
- ◆ Tulsa Botanical Gardens – 170 acre botanical garden
- ◆ Guided tour Linnaeus Gardens, Tulsa, OK
- ◆ Guided tour Philbrook Museum of Art, Tulsa, OK

◆ OSU Extension Service, Tulsa County MGs 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Great Plant Divide and Seed Swap

◆ Guided tour of OSU campus with Steve Dobbs and Crew, Stillwater, OK

◆ Lunch at the TV Botanical Gardens with a guided tour to follow

◆ Tour of Bustani Farms and Pond Pro Nursery

Cost is \$595.00 per person double or \$755 per person single rate. Deposit of \$300 per person is due at time of booking, with final payment due Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>.