#### **May 2025 Around Town Calendar**

### New Adventure!

Saturday, May 3. Wellborn Market Day! At Wellborn Community Center (4119 Victoria, C.S.77845). Celebrate Spring with unique finds, handcrafted goods, and fresh local products. Nestled in the heart of Wellborn, <a href="https://www.wellbornmarket.site/may-market">https://www.wellbornmarket.site/may-market</a>

## **Special Events**

**Saturday, May 10: ArborGate Nursery**, 15635 Farm to Market 2920, Tomball, TX 77377. **Skip Richter,** our former AgriLife Extension Agent, will be at the ArborGate to answer gardening questions.

**Thursday, May 15: Gardening with the Masters Series,** Demonstration Idea Garden, 2619 W Highway 21, Bryan, Tx. Noon. Enjoy a one-hour talk presented by a Brazos County Master Gardener. This month Donna Murray will share ideas on "**Joyful Floral Arranging**"! Free. Details: <a href="https://txmg.org/brazos/">https://txmg.org/brazos/</a>

**Saturday, May 17: The Antique Rose Emporium,** 10000 FM 50, Brenham, Tx.10:00 a.m. in the Chapel. Learn about **Beneficial Insects** and enjoy participating in a **Lady Bug Release**. Children help release the ladybugs as part of the ARE beneficial insect program for the gardens. Free. details: <a href="https://www.antiqueroseemporium.com">www.antiqueroseemporium.com</a>

**Saturday, May 17**: Mounce Library "Learning at the Library" LaVonda Popp, a Brazos County Master Gardener, will talk about "Earth Kind Roses" and their value in our gardens. Mounce Library, 201 E 26th St, Bryan, TX 77803. Free. Details: <a href="https://txmg.org/brazos/">https://txmg.org/brazos/</a>

### **Local Garden Clubs**

**Tuesday, May 13**: **Meeting of the Bryan/College Station Rose Society.** Noon. Learn more about growing these lovely plants. Public invited. Contact jaottis@gmail.com for time and location.

Wednesday, May 14: Meeting of the Rio Brazos Audubon Society. 6:30 p.m. Brazos Museum of Natural History, 3232 Briarcrest Drive, Bryan, 77802. Emmarie Anderson will speak on "From Beaks to Genes: Birdwatching in Mexico through a Scientist's Lens." Free, Public Invited. Details: <a href="https://riobrazosaudubon.org/event-calendar-2/">https://riobrazosaudubon.org/event-calendar-2/</a>

**Tuesday, May 14**: Meeting of the **Texas A&M University Women's Club Garden Interest Group (GIG).** 10 a.m.- noon. Brunch and Garden Talk. End of year social at the home of one of the members. <a href="mailto:tamugig@gmail.com">tamugig@gmail.com</a>

**Tuesday, May 27:** Meeting of the **Brazos County Master Gardener Association. Note new start time is 6:00 p.m for talks. 4153 County Park Court, Bryan. Darla Harris will talk on Ferns. Free. Public invited. Details: <a href="https://txmg.org/brazos/">https://txmg.org/brazos/</a>** 

Some other groups to consider:

**Meeting of the Brazos Valley Orchid Society.** Anyone interested in growing orchids is welcome. Contact the society for day and meeting times. Details: <u>979-846-3496</u> or <u>www.brazosvalleyorchidsociety.org</u>

### **Recurring Activities**

Brazos County Gardening eNews, an eNewsletter for Brazos County Horticulture programs, sent out monthly with links to news of upcoming Brazos County Master Gardener events, education programs, articles by Stephen Brueggerhoff and Aggie Horticulture articles. Sign up at the following link: <a href="http://eepurl.com/iQeUhM">http://eepurl.com/iQeUhM</a>. Sponsored by Brazos County AgriLife Extension Horticulture (<a href="https://eepurl.com/iQeUhM">brazos.agrilife.org/horticulture</a>) and Brazos County Master Gardeners (<a href="https://www.brazosmg.com">www.brazosmg.com</a>) Free.

**Floral Fridays**. Join Brazos County Extension Horticulture Agent Stephen Brueggerhoff for **Floral Fridays**, a Facebook Live! program with timely gardening topics. Presented each Friday starting at 11 am from the Brazos County Master Gardener Facebook page. Find out more: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/brazosmg/events">https://www.facebook.com/brazosmg/events</a>

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

Each Saturday: Rio Brazos Audubon Society. Gary Halter Nature Center. 8:30 am Birding 101. New and experienced birders are invited to sharpen their birding skills with the Rio Brazos Audubon Society. Learn to identify birds by sight and sound, use field guides and binoculars, and explore the Brazos Valley's native and migrating species. The class meets at the nature center and hikes through Lick Creek Park's trails. Dress appropriately for the outdoors and wear closed-toed shoes. Binoculars are available to borrow at the Gary Halter Nature Center. All Ages welcome. Free. <a href="https://riobrazosaudubon.org/">https://riobrazosaudubon.org/</a>

**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 <a href="https://kamu.tamu.edu/radio/radio-programs/waterful-wednesdays">https://kamu.tamu.edu/radio/radio-programs/waterful-wednesdays</a>

**Each Thursday: "Garden Success"** radio show with Stephen Brueggerhoff, Brazos County Extension Agent- Horticulture, TAMU AgriLife Extension Service. noon to 1 p.m. Listen to Stephen'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 Saturday and Sunday: "GardenLine."** 6 a.m.-10 a.m. 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 <a href="https://www.gardeningwithskip.com">www.gardeningwithskip.com</a>

# **Local Farmers' Markets**

**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: <a href="mailto:ronboltonllc@gmail.com">ronboltonllc@gmail.com</a> or <a href="mailto:AquaticGreensFarm@gmail.com">AquaticGreensFarm@gmail.com</a>

Aggieland Farmer's Market – Saturdays 8 a.m. to noon. Post Oak Mall Parking Lot, 1500 Harvey Road College Station, TX. A 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<sup>d</sup> St. Enjoy Texas products grown and made by Texans. Plants; organic meats and freerange 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