

# Extension Horticulture Events Calendar - Fall 2016

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## **Master Gardener Volunteer Training Course**

Tuesdays, August 30 – November 15 - 8:30am - 4:00pm

Myers Park and Event Center

Registration close – class is full.

## **Lake Lavon Watershed Protection – Public Meeting**

September 13 @ 6pm to 7:30pm at Myers Park

September 20 @ 3pm to 4:30pm at NTMWD Wylie

The North Texas Municipal Water District and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension will be hosting two project kickoff meetings to discuss the watershed protection plan (WPP) being developed for the Lavon Lake. These meetings will include discussion on the need for a WPP, project goals and anticipated outcomes, the WPP development process, and incorporating stakeholder input into the WPP document. Input from stakeholders like yourselves will play a key role in the successful development of the Lavon Lake WPP. Thus, I encourage you to participate in the WPP development process.

## **DIY Backyard Farm Workshop**

September 16 @ 9:00 am to 1:00 pm @ Myers Park and Event Center

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension will conduct an educational workshop for anyone interested in farming in North Texas.

The workshop consists of presentations tailored to the small acreage farmer. The program will be presented by Extension Agent, Master Gardeners, and local experts. The workshop will include a tour of the Earth-Kind Vegetable Gardens at Myers Park. Learn about the following topics: Composting, Vegetable Production, Beekeeping, and Poultry Production.

## **Regional Master Gardener CEU Day**

October 5 @ 9:00 am – 3:00 pm @ Myers Park and Event Center

Why wait until December to finish earning your Master Gardener continuing education units? Come join the Collin County Master Gardeners Association on Wednesday, October 5th for this Regional CEU Day. And after you've earned your CEU's, take time to tour the international award-winning Earth-Kind® Research & Demonstration Gardens at Myers Park & Event Center in McKinney. Collin County Master Gardeners will be on hand to conduct tours and answer questions. Topics will include: Insect Management of Fruit, Vegetable & Trees, Tree Care, and Plant Identification.

## **North Texas Farm to Table Symposium and Producers Expo**

October 6 @ 3:00 pm - 8:30 pm @ Myers Park and Event Center

The North Texas Farm to Table Symposium will offer the opportunity for agricultural producers and buyers the opportunity to network and discuss opportunity for planning future production for the local food movement. Farmers, Ranchers, Gardeners, Vintners, Brewers, Chefs, and anyone involved in agriculture are encouraged to attend. The Producers Expo will be from 3:00pm to 6:30pm and the Dinner and Symposium will be from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. Symposium presentation will focus on "Producers getting in the door at Restaurants." Producers Expo is free to attend, while the Dinner and Symposium require preregistration. Producers interested in booths should inquire at the Extension office.

## **Texas Watershed Steward Workshop**

October 13 @ 8 am – Noon @ Myers Park and Event Center

On October 13th, the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will host a Texas Watershed Steward workshop in McKinney. Water quality related to the Lavon Lake watershed along with land and watershed management. Topics will include water quality, water quality law, agricultural and urban best management practices, hydrology, and others. The continuing education credits will available for a variety of certifications and licenses.

**Bulb and Perennial Mart + Earth-Kind Garden Tours**

October 15<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 am – 1:00 pm @ Myers Park and Event Center

The Bulb Sale is underway offering heirloom and naturalizing bulbs by pre-order only with an online sale that began August 1. CCMGA will be selling a selection of perennials and even more varieties of spring, summer and fall blooming bulbs. Many perennials offered at The Mart have been proven to be winners in the international award winning Earth-Kind<sup>®</sup> Research and Demonstration gardens at Myers Park. Tours of the gardens will be provided.

**Extension Continuing Education Program**

November 11<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 am to 3:00 pm @ Myers Parks and Event Center

This annual event offers professional applicators, landowners, farmers, ranchers, and gardeners the opportunity to receive 5 continuing education units for their license or certifications. The event will cover a variety of topics including Pest Management for Crops of North Texas, Landscape and Urban Pests, Update on Laws and Regulations, Plant Disease Management, and more.

Other Events:

**Special Needs Livestock Show**

September 10 @ 9:00 am to Noon

Myers Park and Event Center

**Earth-Kind Research Specialist Training Course**

September 28-30 @ 1pm Wed to Noon Friday

Myers Park and Event Center

**Collin County Master Gardener Association Meetings**

Fourth Thursday of each Month (except Mar, Nov, Dec)

Myers Park and Event Center

**Extension Horticulture Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon**

December 1<sup>st</sup> @ 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM (Tentative)

Myers Park and Event Center

**Collin County Master Gardener Awards Banquet**

December 8<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm to 8:30pm

Myers Park and Event Center

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